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How to Fact-Check Like a Pro

Peter Adams, SVP of education

April 30, 2020

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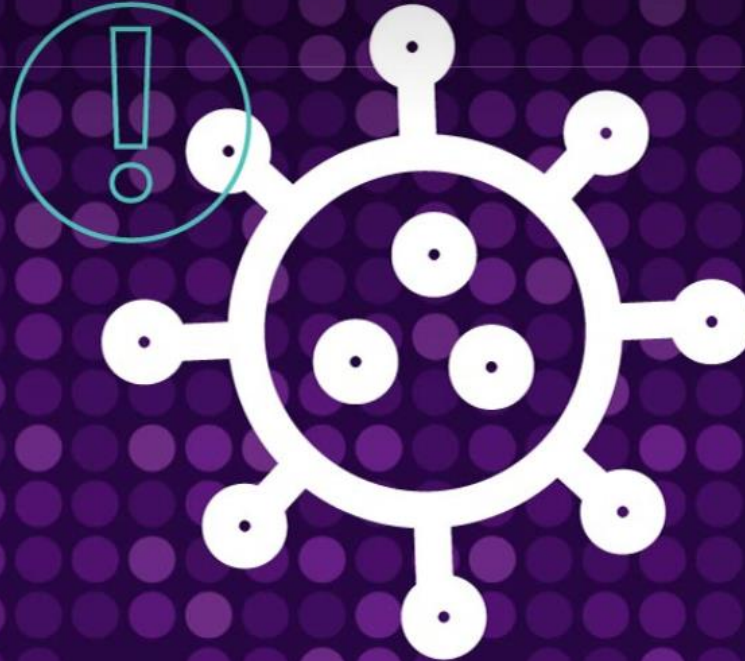
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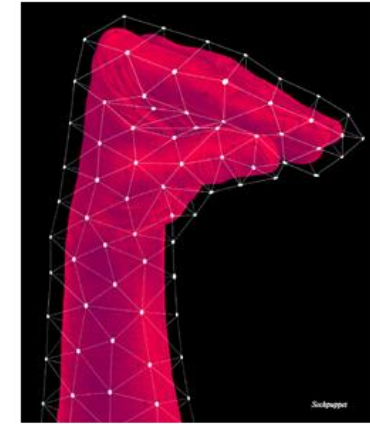
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Teach news literacy this week

[Source hacking explained](#) | [Viral rumor rundown](#) | [Facebook vs. anti-vax](#)

'Source hacking' explained

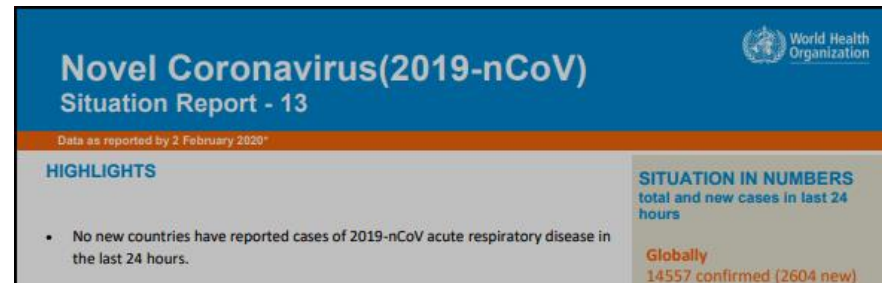


"Source Hacking: Media Manipulation in Practice" — a new report by Data & Society researchers Joan Donovan and Brian Friedberg — outlines four key techniques used by media manipulators.

The most essential question to ask of viral online content is also frequently one of the most difficult to answer: *Where did this come from?*

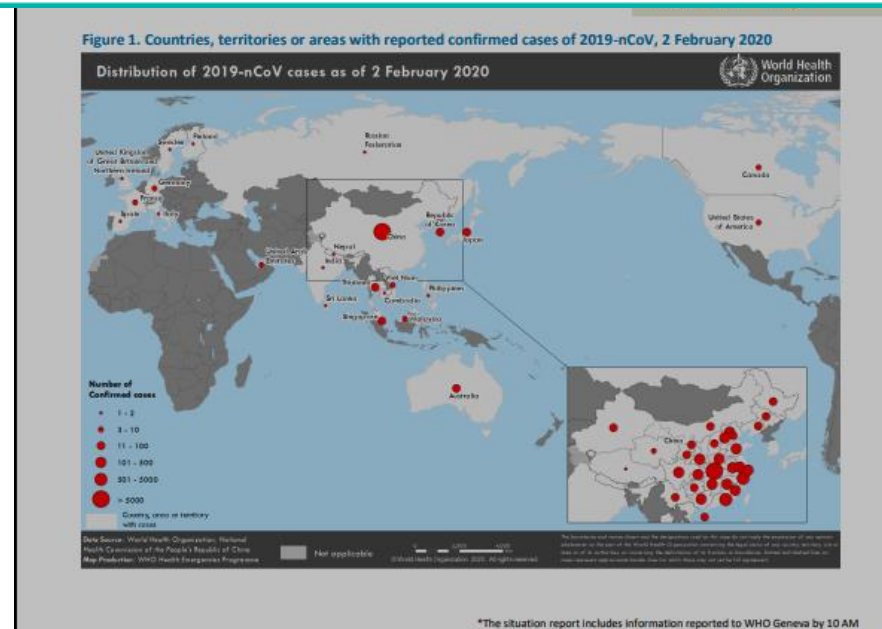
While this question isn't new — after all, purveyors of misinformation have always ["adapted their workflows to the latest medium"](#) — it has been elevated by an information ecosystem optimized for anonymity, alteration, fabrication and sharing.

It's a perfect storm, the authors of [a new report](#) argue, for "source hacking": organized information influence campaigns that exploit "technological and



Managing the 2019-nCoV 'infodemic'

The 2019-nCoV outbreak and response has been accompanied by a massive 'infodemic' - an over-abundance of information – some accurate and some not – that makes it hard for people to find trustworthy sources and reliable guidance when they need it.



Corona virus before it reaches the lungs it remains in the throat for four days and at this time the person begins to cough and have throat pains. If he drinks water a lot and gargling with warm water & salt or vinegar eliminates the virus. Spread this information because you can save someone with this information

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COVID - 19

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Be understanding !!! A Japanese doctor offers excellent advice on preventing COVID-19

New coronavirus may not show symptoms for several days (14-27 days). How can one know if a person is infected? By the time he has a fever and / or a cough and goes to the lung hospital, the patient may have 50% fibrosis, and then it's too late! Taiwanese experts provide simple self-monitoring that we can do every morning:


Take a deep breath and hold your breath for more than 10 seconds. If you can do this successfully without coughing and without difficulty, without anxiety or chest tightness, it shows that you do not have fibrosis and generally indicate no infection. Check yourself every morning in a fresh air environment


The Japanese physician treating COVID-19 provides the best advice on preventing this:

Everyone should make sure the mouth and throat are always moist. Drink some water every 15 minutes. Why not? Even if the virus gets into your mouth, drinking water or other fluids will help wash it down the esophagus into the stomach. When the virus is in the stomach - the hydrochloric acid in your stomach will kill the germs. If you do not drink enough water regularly, the virus can enter the airways and into your lungs, which is very dangerous to get.

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 THE FACTS: Drinking water prevents dehydration but WILL NOT prevent anyone from catching the new coronavirus. Dr. William Schaffner, an infectious-diseases expert at Vanderbilt University, said the claims are incorrect. While medical professionals typically ... [See More](#)

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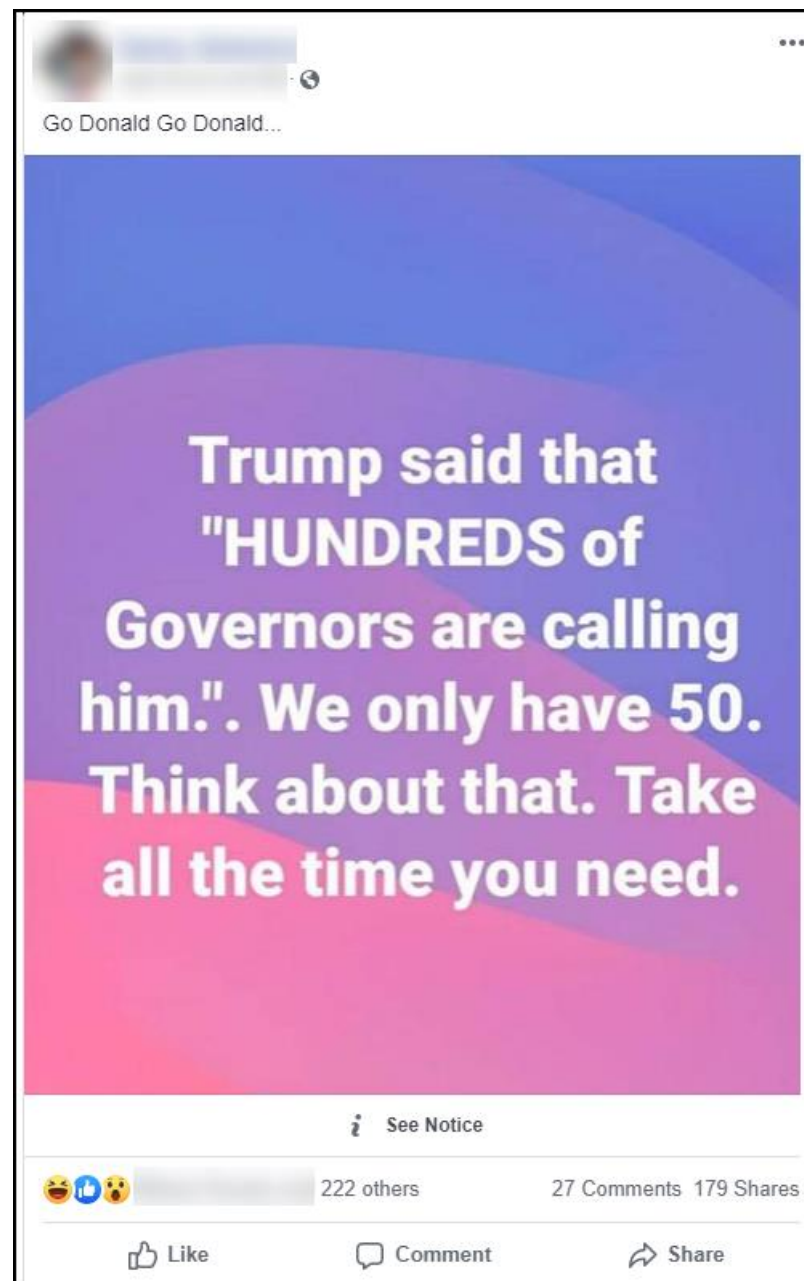
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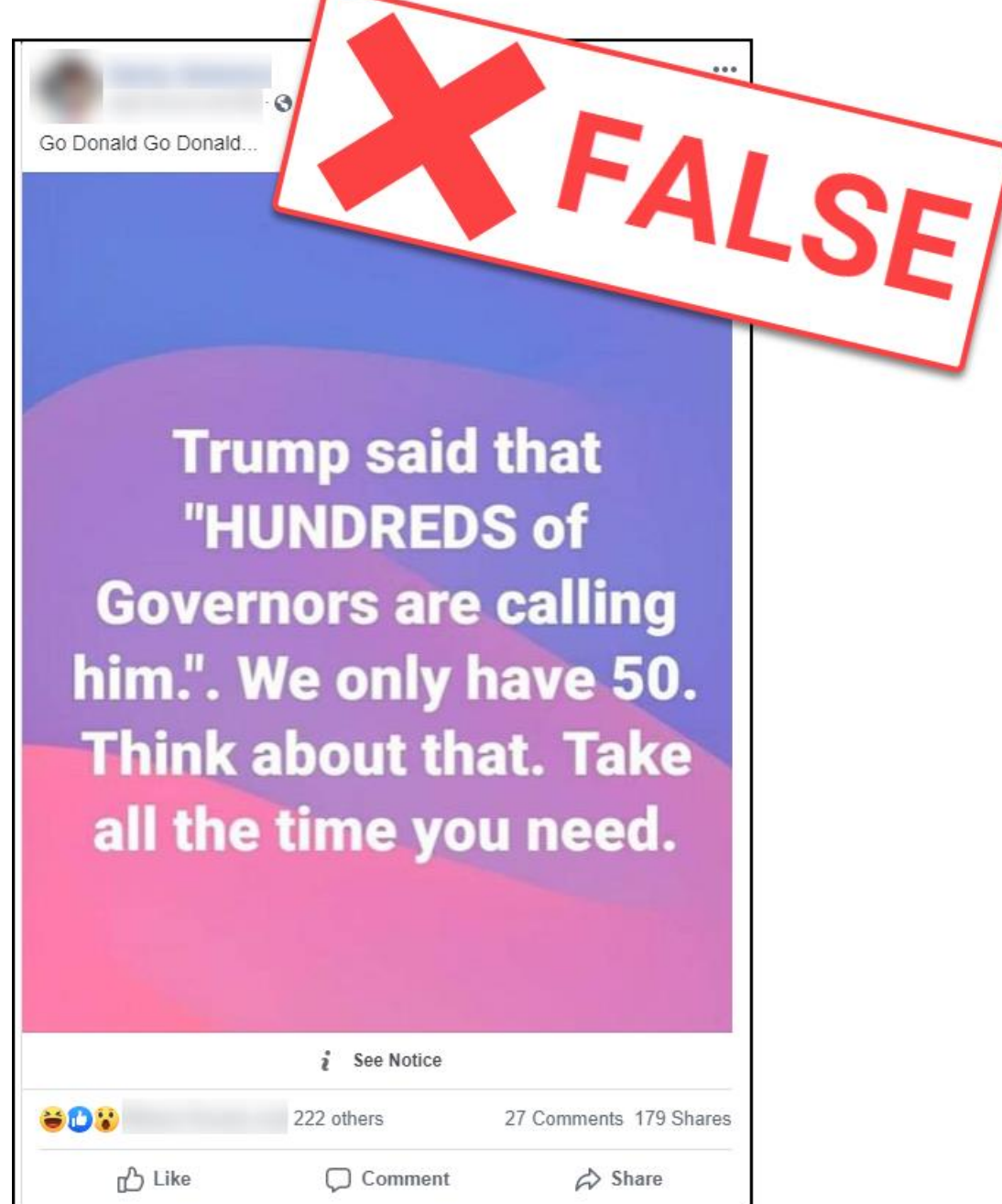


Day 4: Finally no more fever, but a new symptom showed up: shortness of breath. It was uncomfortable, it felt like I had bricks on my chest. I tried the self diagnose test I read online (hold your breath and count to 10) which I successfully did with no complications.

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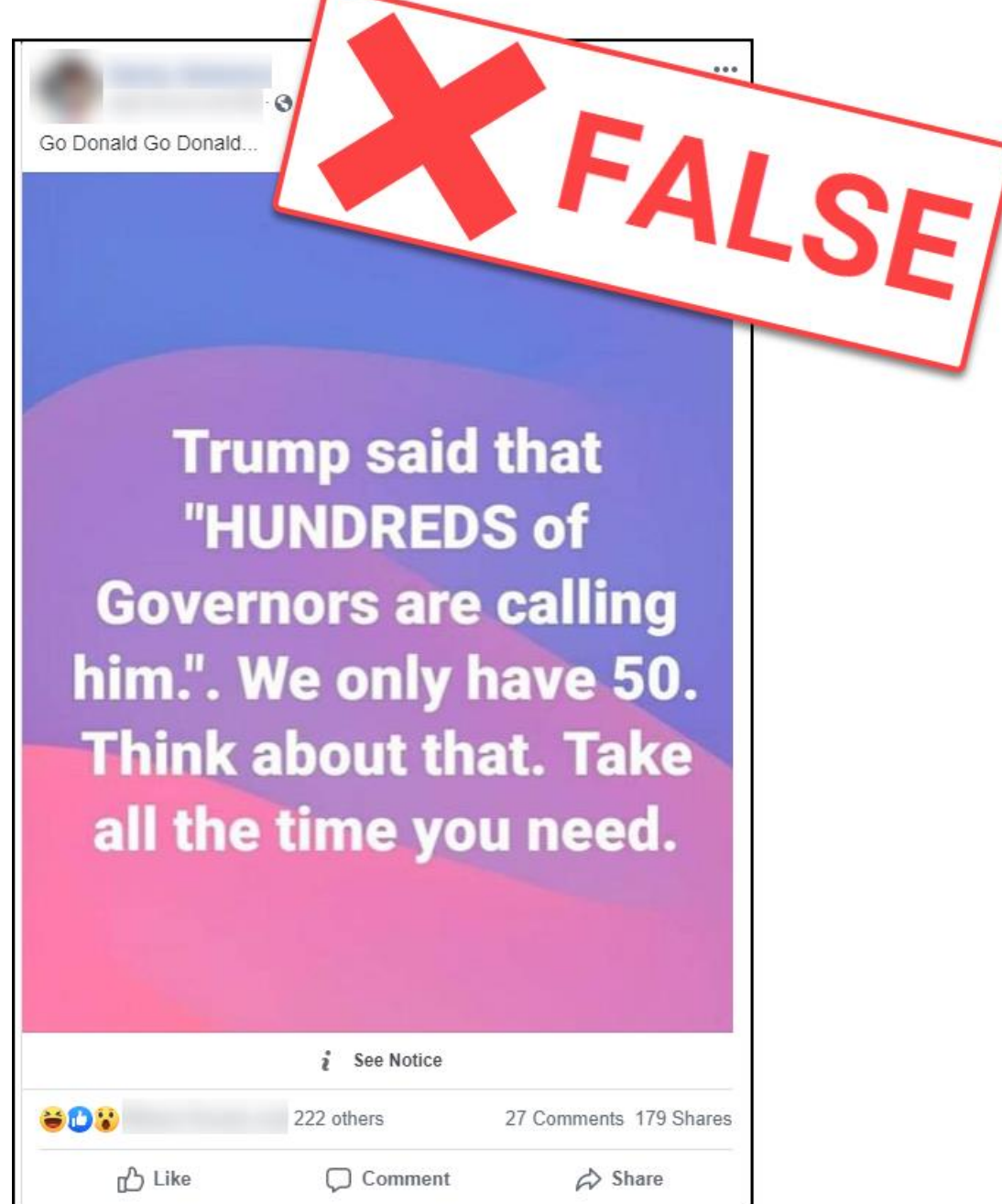
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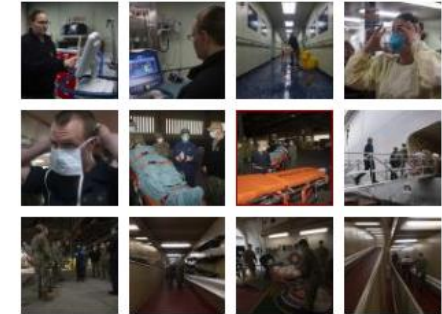
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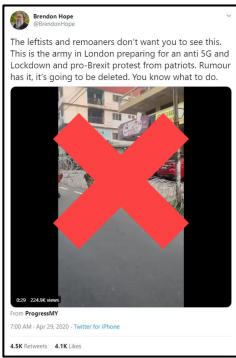
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Search results include:

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- Minister announces EMCO extension at ... malaysia.news.yahoo.com (3 days ago)
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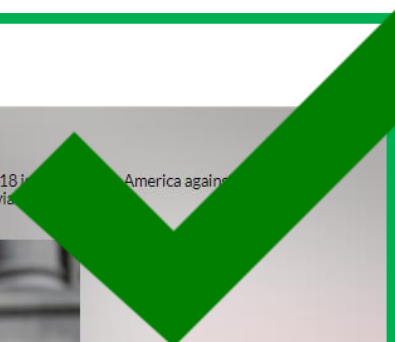
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US-HEALTH-VIRUS-POLITICS-PROTEST

Demonstrators gather in front of the Colorado State Capitol building to protest coronavirus stay-at-home orders during a "ReOpen Colorado" rally in Denver, Colorado, on April 19, 2020. - Hundreds protested on April 18 in Denver, Colorado, against the state's stay-at-home order, claiming it was harming the economy and putting Americans against their rights. - Protesters also expressed their frustration with the government's handling of the pandemic and related lockdowns -- with encouragement from President Donald Trump -- as resentment grows against the crippling economic cost of confinement. (Photo by Jason Connolly / AFP) (Photo by JASON CONNOLLY/AFP via Getty Images)



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Thousands protest Michigan governor's social distance order

By MIKE HOUSEHOLDER and ED WHITE April 15, 2020



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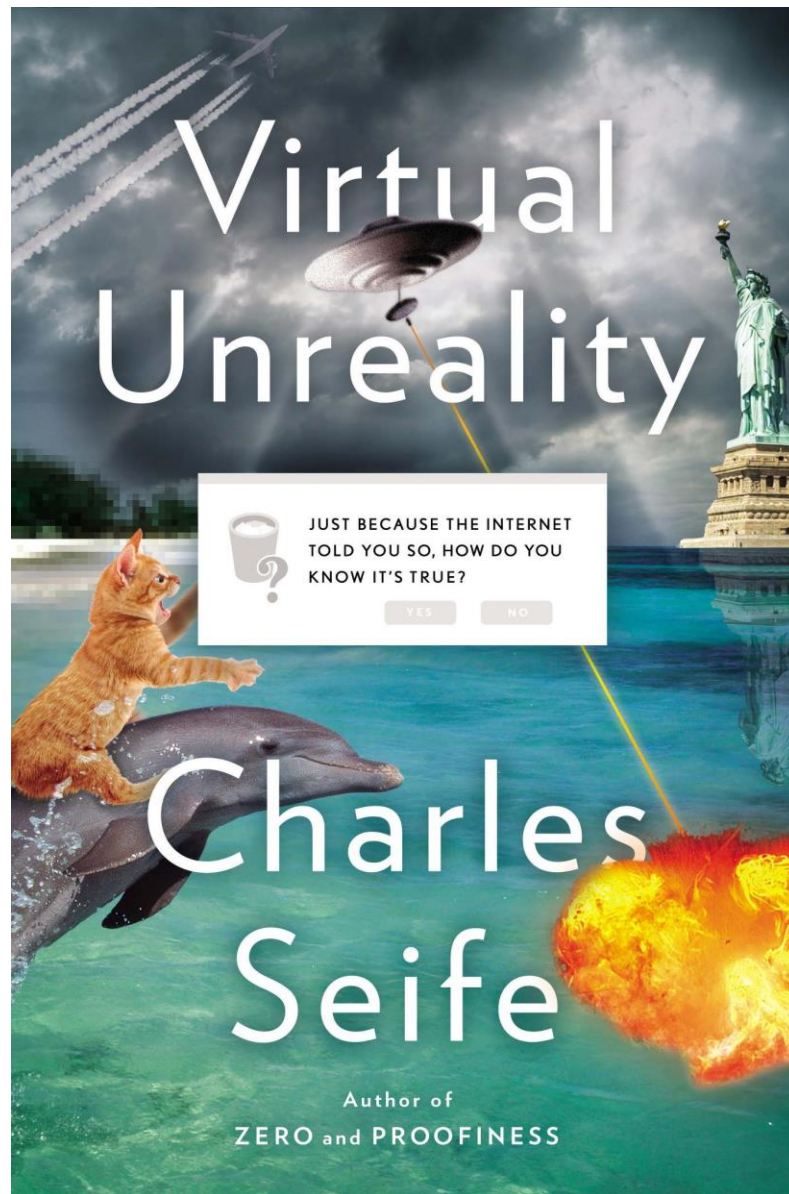


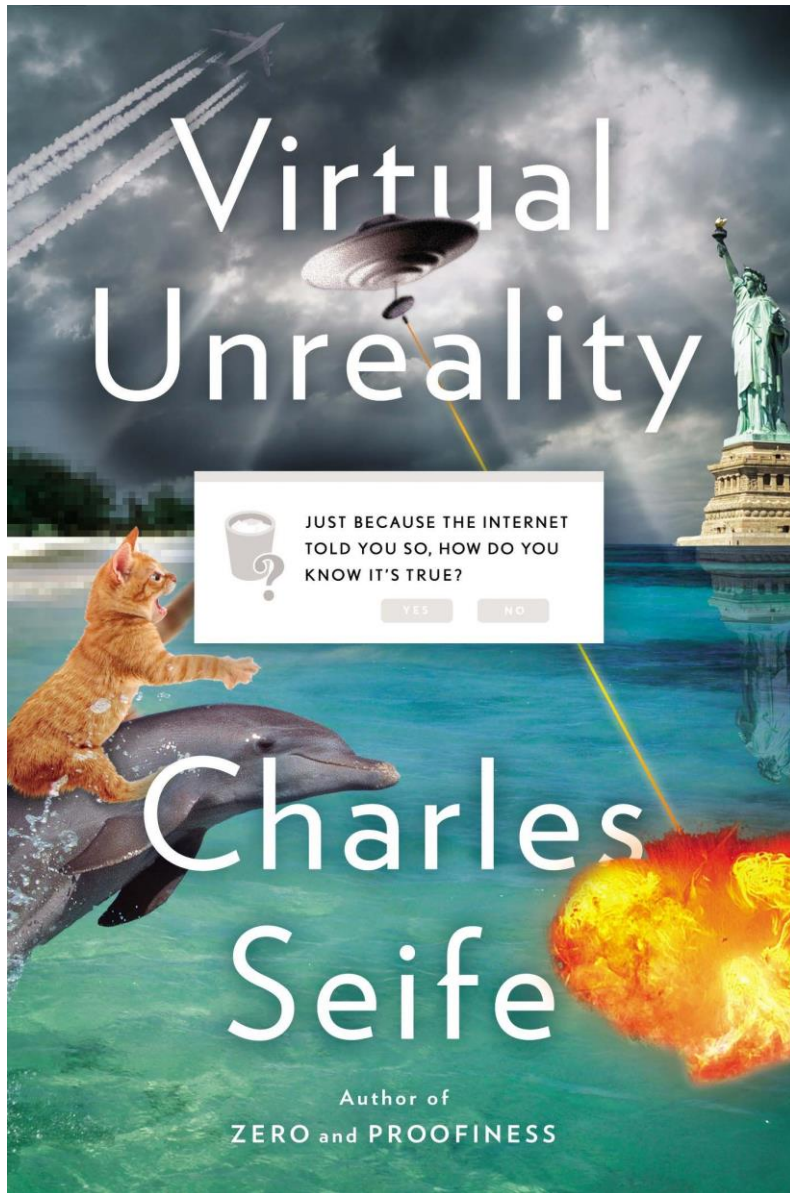
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Persistence

Connectedness

Pandemic

- Thrives on unsuspecting people
- 20 seconds goes a long way
- Social distancing, stop the spread, flatten the curve (your choices affect others)
- Overwhelming medical infrastructure
- No vaccine available

“Infodemic”

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Announcements

Snopes on COVID-19 Fact-Checking

The coronavirus pandemic exposes just how under-resourced we have let the fact-checking industry become.

TEAM SNOPEs

PUBLISHED 20 MARCH 2020

Dear Readers,

The magnitude of misinformation spreading in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic is overwhelming our small team.

We're seeing record web traffic as people educate themselves on the coronavirus. It's given us a buoy to cling to after a decade of sinking advertising revenues in an eroding news industry.

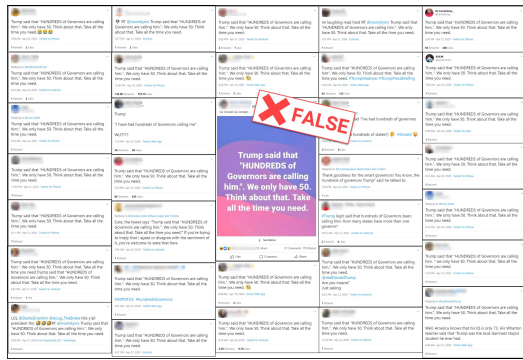
At the same time, we're seeing scores of people, in a rush to find any comfort, certainty, or hope for a cure, make things worse as they share (sometimes dangerous) misinformation.



Skill #1:

Lateral reading





Google Search

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Make the most of your time at home with tips for recipes, workouts, and more

Related Skills and Concepts:

- **Click restraint**
- **Standards-based vs. user-generated**
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- **CTRL-T**

Skill #2:

Using web archivers

Pence comes under fire for going maskless at Mayo Clinic

By STEVE KARNOWSKI and KEVIN FREKING yesterday






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Archive.today is a time capsule for web pages!

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It saves a text and a graphical copy of the page for better accuracy

and provides a short and reliable link to an unalterable record of any web page

including those from Web 2.0 sites:

- <http://archive.is/2013.05.01/http://nickqizhu.github.io/dc.js/>
- <http://archive.is/2014.06.26/https://www.google.com/maps/...>

This can be useful if you want to take a 'snapshot' a page which could change soon: price list, job offer, real estate listing, drunk blog post, ...

Saved pages will have no active elements and no scripts, so they keep you safe as they cannot have any popups or malware!

I want to search the archive for saved snapshots

search queries by example

- [microsoft.com](#) for snapshots from the host microsoft.com
- [*.microsoft.com](#) for snapshots from microsoft.com and all its subdomains (e.g. www.microsoft.com)
- <http://twitter.com/burgerking> for snapshots from exact url (search is case-sensitive)
- <http://twitter.com/burg> for snapshots from urls starting with http://twitter.com/burg



A screenshot of a Facebook page for "America's Last Line Of Defense" (@ALLODSatire). The page features a profile picture with the text "ALLOD SATIRE S RATED" and a caricature. The main post, from 3 hours ago, contains a video of a woman speaking and a headline: "New 'RealChoice' Voting Machines for 2020 Financed By Clinton Foundation". The video player shows the "ALLOD SATIRE S RATED" logo. A right-hand sidebar displays "Visitor Posts" by Daphne Smith Williams, Joe Newberry, and Josh Lyness. A context menu is open over the page, listing options such as "Open link in new tab", "Copy link address", and "Inspect".



Skill #3:

Critical observation

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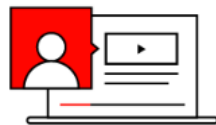
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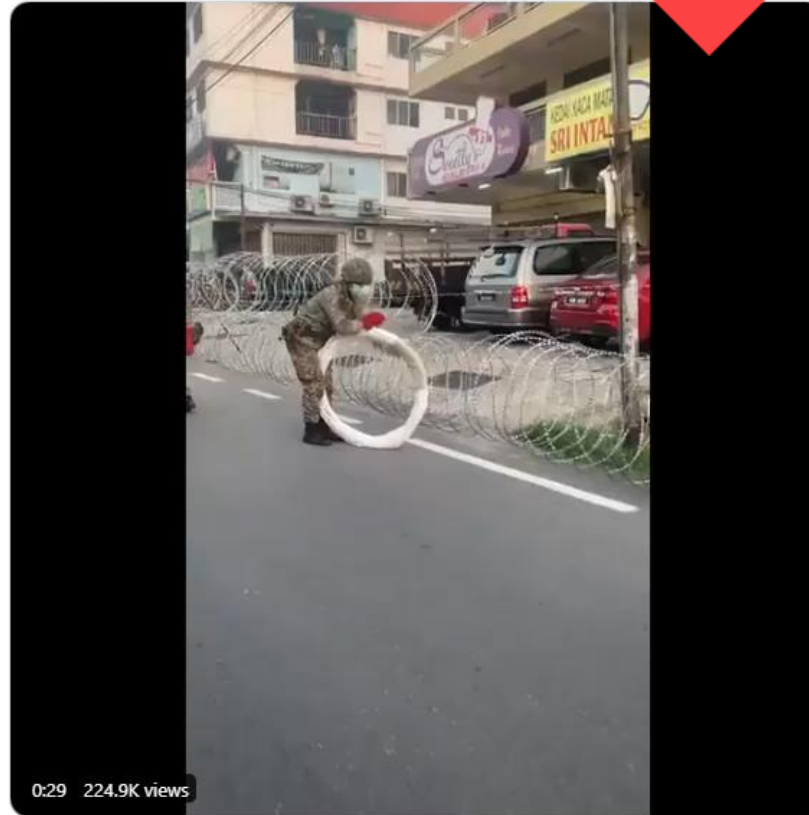
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- **Architecture and landscape**
- **Clothing**
- **Climate/weather**
- **Any visible text, esp. business names, phone numbers, street names/addresses**
- **Signs, esp. municipal (street, bus route, etc.) and landmark**
- **License plates**
- **Distinctive details**



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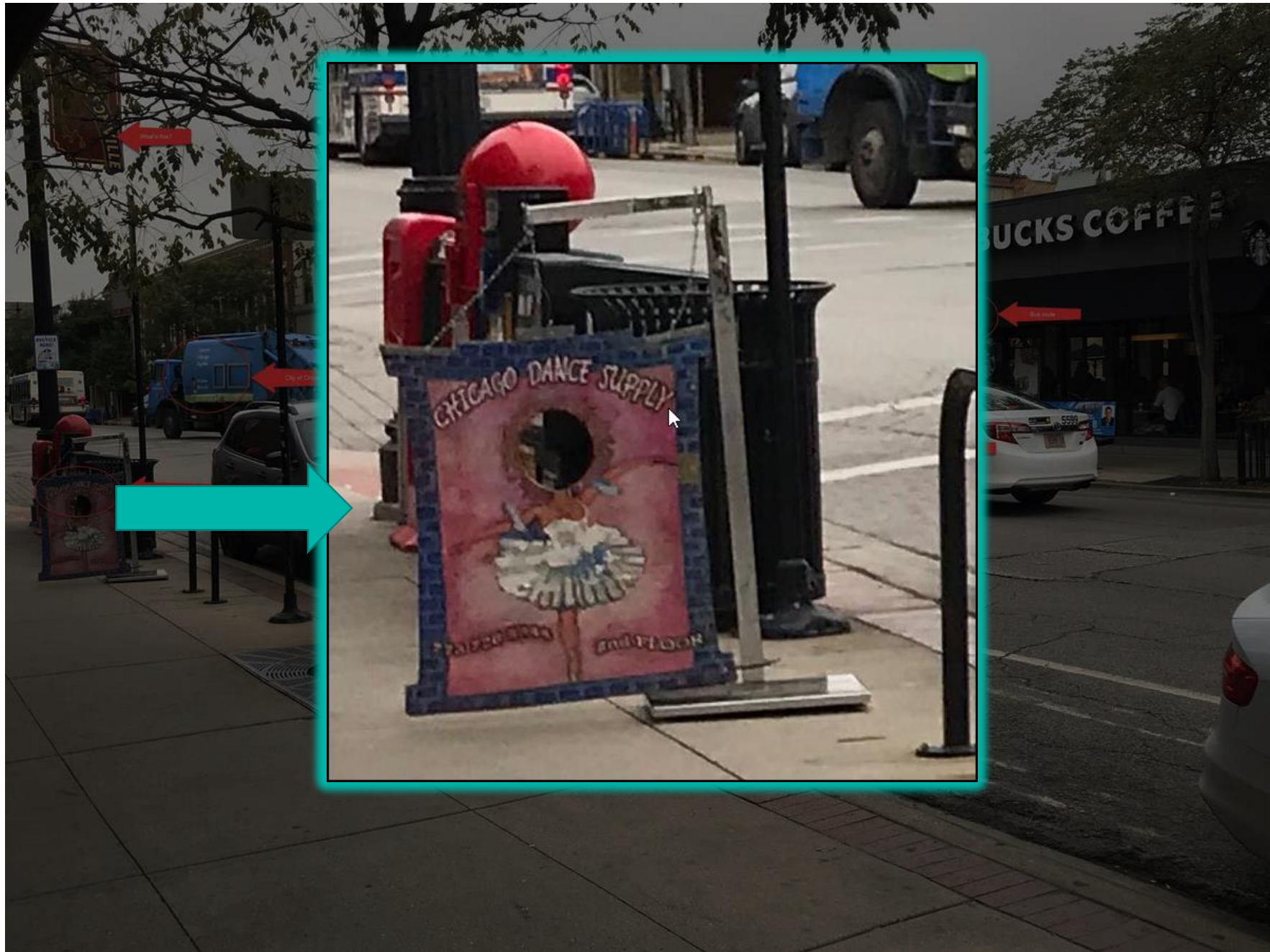
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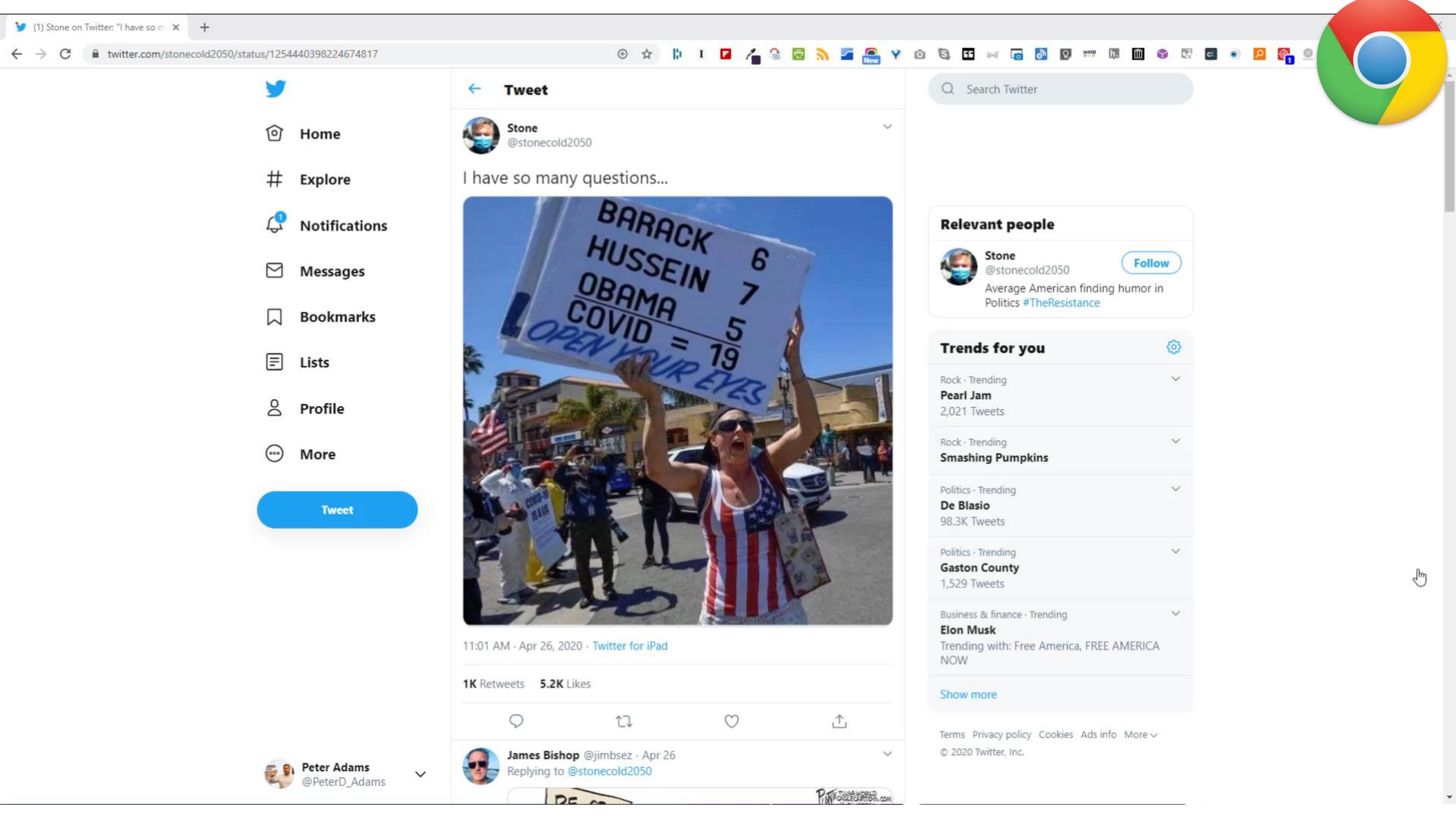






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Scores gather in Huntington Beach to protest coronavirus stay-at-home orders



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Sarah Mason, from Covina, joins a crowd of people gathered at the corner of Main Street and Walnut Avenue in Huntington Beach, CA, to protest coronavirus (COVID-19) closures on Friday, April 17, 2020. (Photo by Jeff Gritchen, Orange County Register/SCNG)



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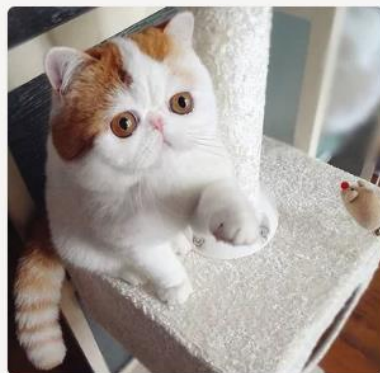


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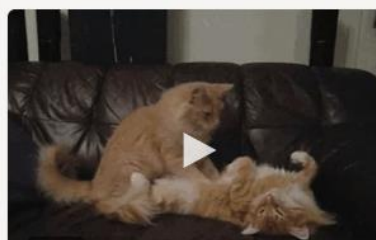
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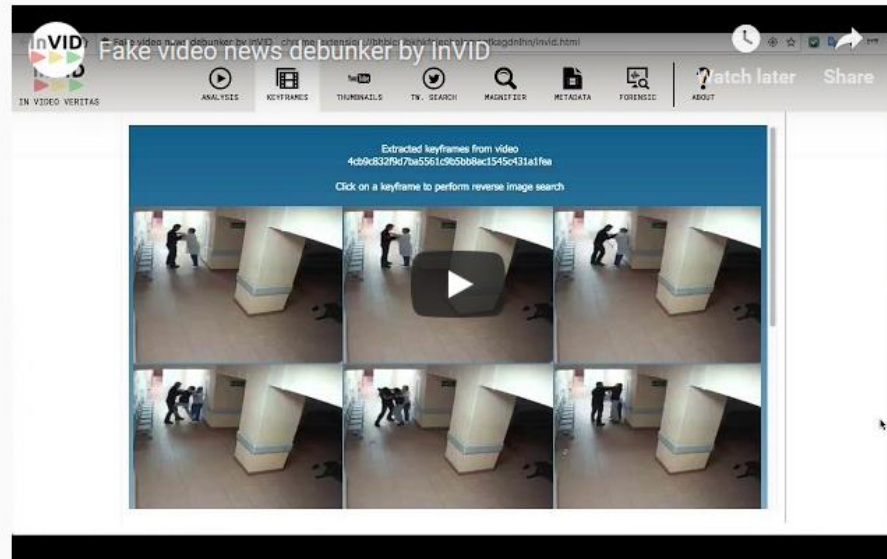
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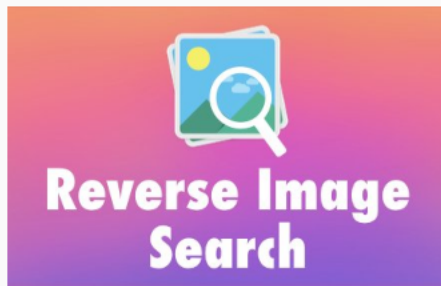
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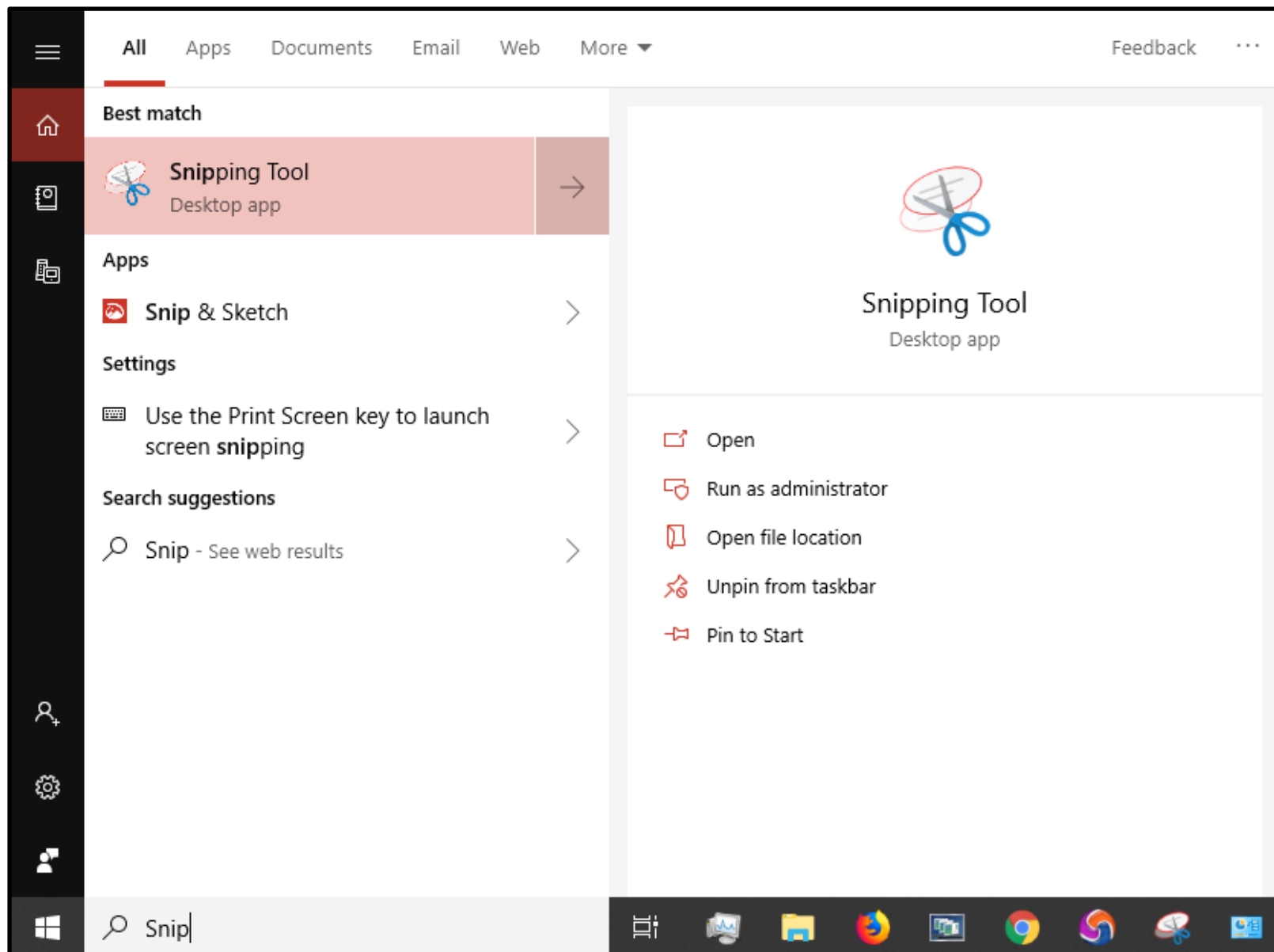
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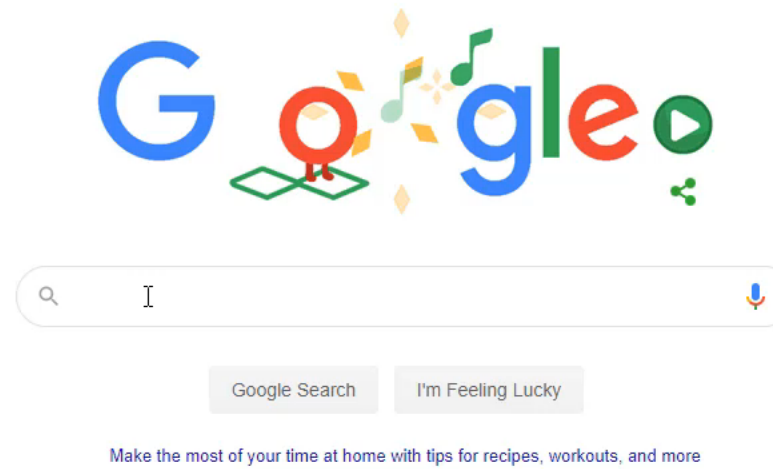


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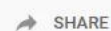
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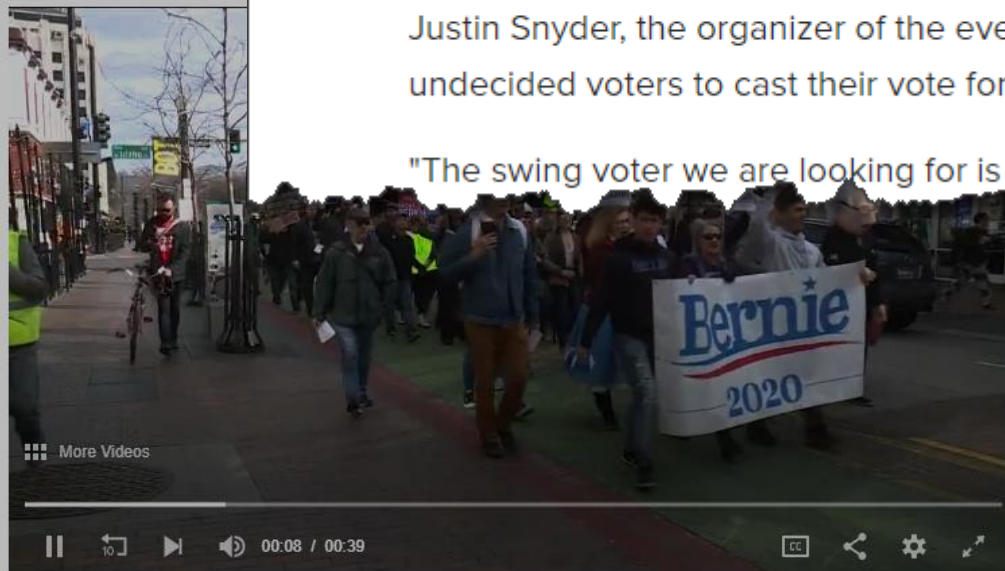
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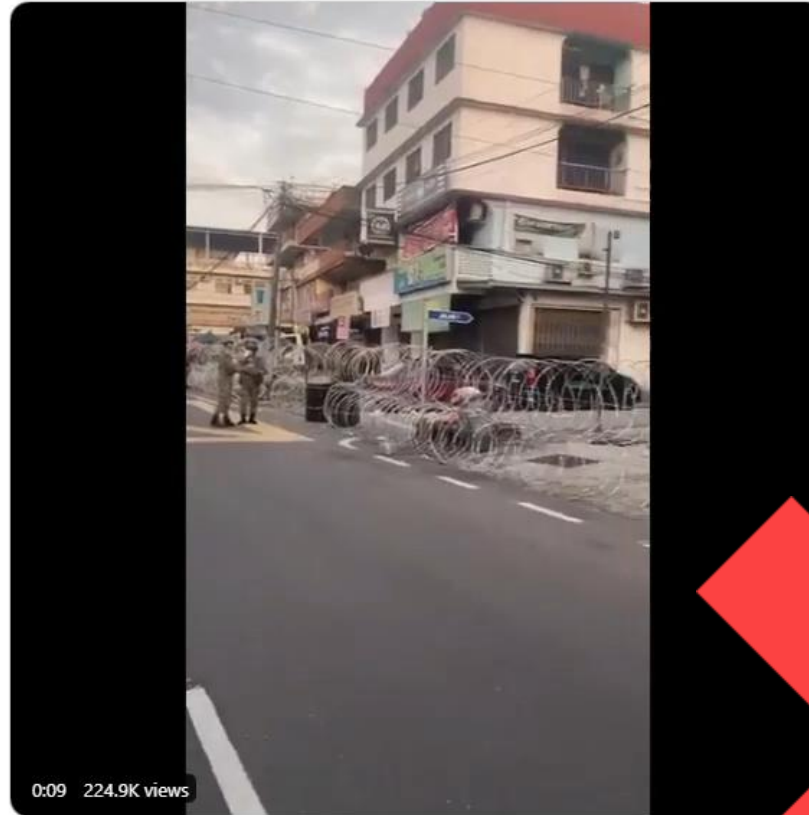
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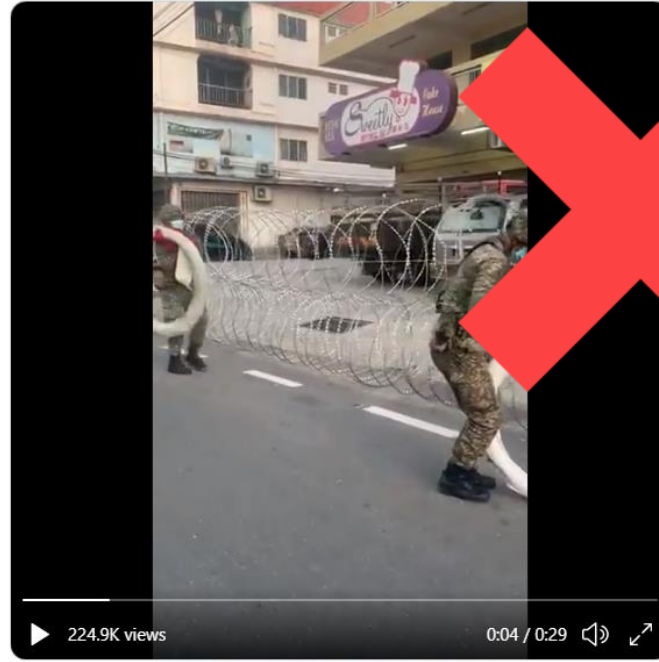
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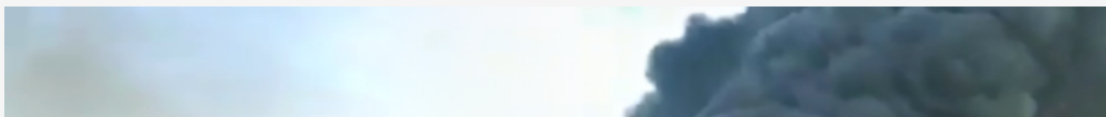
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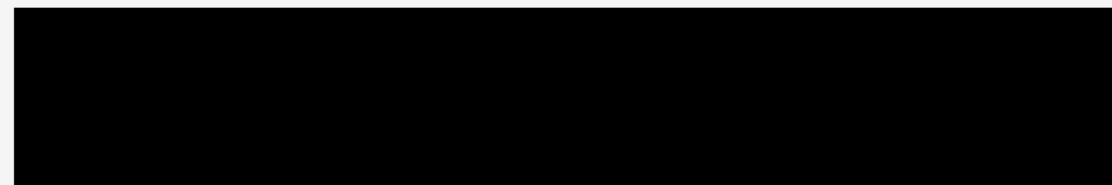
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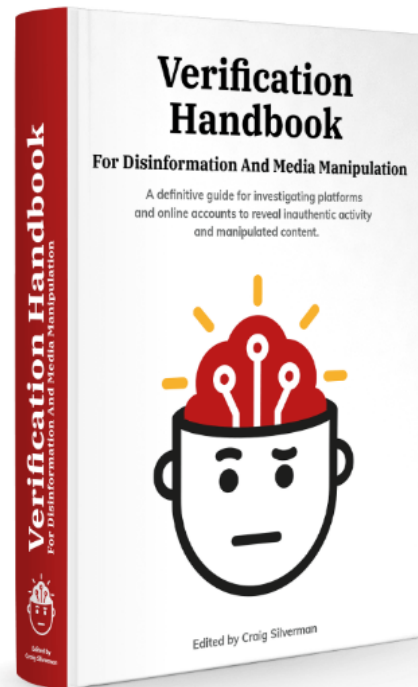
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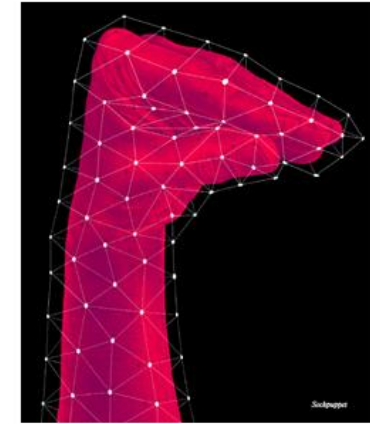
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Are there credible results that identify it as unreliable? Can you determine if it is a satirical or entertainment site? Is there evidence that it is a state-run news outlet?

Analyze the source.
Does the website include disclaimers that its content is not to be taken seriously? Do other items on the site look suspicious? Does the site contain original reporting, or simply commentary? Are there numerous grammatical and/or spelling errors?

A RECOGNIZED STANDARDS-BASED NEWS SOURCE

Check: News or something else?
Is this a straight news report or something else, such as an opinion piece? (Remember: Opinion journalism doesn't try to be unbiased.)

Look for obvious problems.
Is there anything in this report that seems "off" to you? Does it use loaded language, or contain other signs that it's unfair?

Look for other coverage.
Are other credible standards-based outlets reporting the same thing?

Evaluate the reporting.
Are the people, documents and other sources cited in the report generally considered reliable? Have the details been clearly verified, or is the story still developing?

ON AN ONGOING BASIS

USER-GENERATED CONTENT

Follow fact-checkers.
Add fact-checking organizations (see several below) to your social media feeds to help you identify misinformation patterns.

Learn best practices.
Don't share memes or other posts if you're not sure that they are true; doing so only amplifies

AN UNFAMILIAR ORGANIZATION/SOURCE

Look for transparency.
Is this source up front about who owns and runs it? Does it correct errors? Does it request and publish letters to the editor? Is it clear who is creating articles or posts?

Take note of unreliable sources.
If an account repeatedly posts misleading or false information,

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Learn the standards.
Quality journalism is guided by aspirational standards (for example, the Society of Professional Journalists' [Code of Ethics](#)) that can help you recognize good reporting.

Develop a critical eye.
Follow experts who frequently discuss journalism issues and news coverage.

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Information habits.

OVER TIME

Learn digital verification skills.
Use widely available free resources online to teach yourself how to do reverse image searches, use geolocation tools (like [Google Street View](#)), search for archived webpages and use critical observation skills to do your own fact-checking.

Help protect others.
False and misleading information seeks to exploit its audience. Warn others about sources that publish such content.

Dive into the field of journalism.
Seek out reputable journalism organizations, subscribe to industry newsletters, listen to journalism podcasts, and read books and articles about the ways that journalism is changing.

REMEMBER:

Guard your emotions.
Misinformation often seeks to exploit our most deeply held values and beliefs to generate outrage and anger. Don't fall for this trick.

Watch for false evidence and fabrications.
Purveyors of misinformation use a variety of tactics. The most common include presenting photos and videos out of context, making crude alterations to photos and documents, and fabricating quotes and social media posts for public figures.

RESOURCES

Visit the News Literacy Project's [website](#), and follow NLP on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

Subscribe to NLP's weekly email newsletter, [The Shift](#)®.

Download and play [Informable](#), NLP's innovative mobile app, which tests news literacy skills in a gamelike format.

Check out reputable fact-checking organizations, such as [PolitiFact](#), [FactCheck.org](#), [Snopes](#), [Truth or Fiction](#), [Lead Stories](#) and [AFP Fact Check](#).

Learn about organizations that train and support journalists, such as the [Poynter Institute](#), [First Draft](#), the [News Leaders Association](#) and the [Society of Professional Journalists](#).

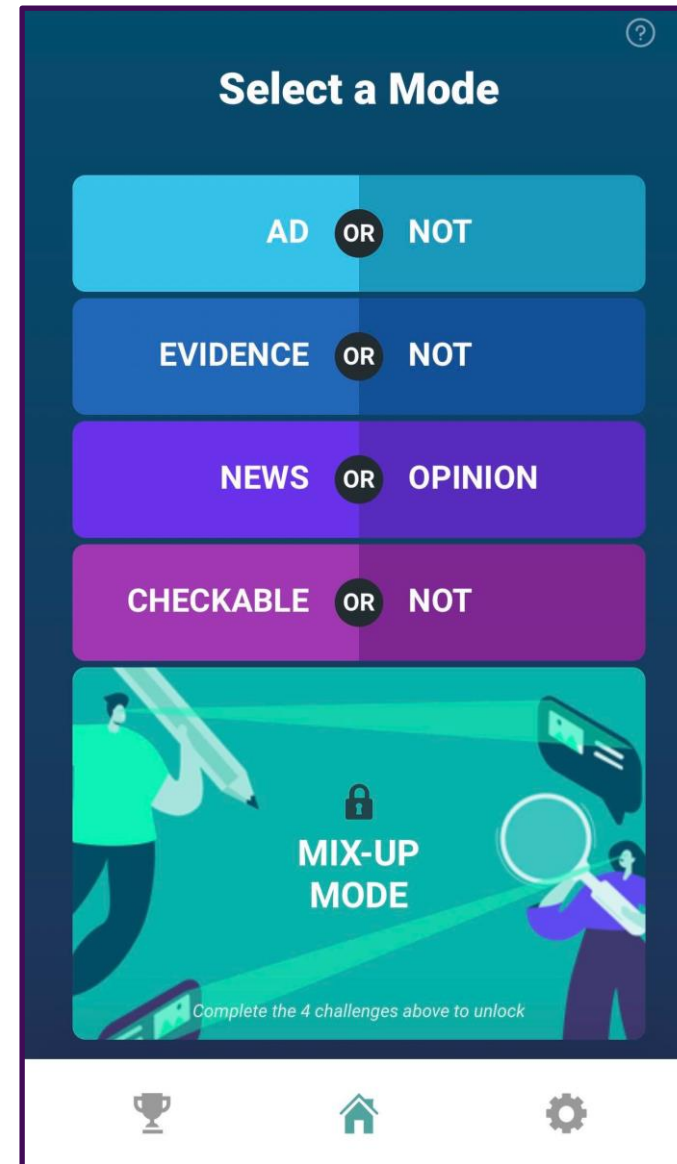
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