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News or Fake News?

Directions

Use the checklist below to **evaluate** the credibility of information you find online.

Internet Investigator Checklist

✓ **Read closely.** *Does it make sense? Is it believable?*

Identify the main idea by analysing the text features and webpage, and by reading the text. Take note of anything that is surprising, hard to believe or that gives you a strong emotional reaction.

✓ **Analyse the source.** *Does it come from a credible, unbiased source?*

Find out information about the site owner and author by exploring the site and searching the web.

✓ **Look for corroboration.** *Do other credible sources say the same thing?*

See if the main idea and key points of the article are also reported by other credible sites.

	Example	Read closely	Analyse the source	Look for corroboration
1.	Gender neutral uniform sparks protest at Lewes Priory School			

How credible is it? (Circle one)

Fake news 

Questionable 

Credible news 

Explain your answer:



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	Example	Read closely	Analyse the source	Look for corroboration
2.	Gender neutral uniforms make sense - but the skirt ban at Lewes Priory School is unnecessary			

How credible is it? (Circle one)

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Credible news 

Explain your answer:

	Example	Read closely	Analyse the source	Look for corroboration
3.	SKIRT BAN FOR TEACHERS: Uniform policy is just the start of the attack on traditional values			

How credible is it? (Circle one)

Fake news 

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Credible news 

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