



Assessing a News Source



1. Ownership Transparency

Can I find out who owns this source?



2. Vested Interests

Can I find out what else the media owner owns or has interests in?



3. History and Reputation

Does this source have a history of bias?



7. Influence of Algorithm

Does this source rely on algorithmic promotion?



6. Nature of Source

Is this an entertainment or engagement source rather than a news source?



5. Regulation

Is this source regulated or a member of a standards authority?



4. Authorship Transparency

Can I see who wrote/created this story?



8. Fact/Opinion

Does this source clearly distinguish between fact and opinion?



9. Error Accountability

Does this source regularly correct/clarify errors?



10. Litigation

Does this source have a history of legal action against it?



11. Accuracy and Cross-referencing

Do the news stories hold-up to lateral reading and independent investigation?



12. Conclusion

Having considered the criteria, is this a reliable source?

