FACT-CHECKING IN FOUR MOVES

1. CHECK FOR PREVIOUS WORK
Look around online to see if someone else already fact-checked the claim, piece of information, or website.

Hint: Check Snopes.com, Politifact, even Wikipedia

2. GO "UPSTREAM" TO THE SOURCE
Most web content is not original. Get to the original source to understand the trustworthiness of the information.

3. READ LATERALLY
The truth is in the network.
Once you get to the source of the information, read what other people say about the source.

4. CIRCLE BACK
If you get lost or hit a dead end, back up and start over knowing what you know now. You're likely to take a more informed path with different search terms and better decisions.