



National Media Literacy Week 2024

Key Definitions

- *Media Literacy* – the ability to access, analyze, evaluate, create, and act using any form of electronic, digital, or print visuals and messaging (namele.org)
- *Misinformation* – incorrect or misleading information (from m-w.com)
- *Disinformation* - false information deliberately and often covertly spread (as by the planting of rumors) in order to influence public opinion or obscure the truth (from m-w.com)

Core Resources

- namele.org -- National Association for Media Literacy Education
- newslit.org -- News Literacy Project
- medialiteracynow.org

Read

“Media Literacy in the Modern Age” by Cynthia Vinney, PhD for verywellmind.com

skokie.info/medialiteracy1

Media Psychology expert Cynthia Vinney shares a great peer-reviewed article breaking down where media literacy comes from and some of the main aspects.

“To Combat Misinformation, Start with Connection, not Correction” by Audrey Nguyen for NPR Life Kit

skokie.info/medialiteracy2

Media Literacy helps us identify factual, accurate information, but a problem arises is when others are still at odds. This article gives practical tips for using media literacy skills to connect with others.

“Can News Literacy be Taught?” by John Dyer for Nieman Reports

skokie.info/medialiteracy3

Nieman Reports is a publication covering and promoting standards of journalism. This article goes over some of the ways news and media literacy are a tricky subject to pin down, and why it is still a worthwhile endeavor.





“Don’t go down the rabbit hole” by Charlie Warzel for *the New York Times*

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This opinion piece addresses media literacy as an issue of attention span & focus. With practical elements from experts, Charlie Warzel discusses how to spend your time online wisely.

Watch & Listen

“In case you missed it: Media Literacy 101” from NPR’s *1A*

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NPR’s *1A* is focused on conversations relating to first amendment rights. In this 30-minute story, dive into how critical thinking relates to media literacy and ways that it can be taught.

“Fighting Misinformation: Digital Media Literacy” from The Great Courses on Kanopy

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Go step-by-step through the ‘history, evolution, science, and impact of misinformation’ in this 8-part series from the International Research & Exchanges Board with The Great Courses.

“Is That a Fact?” a podcast from the News Literacy Project

<https://newslit.org/podcast/>

With discussions about news literacy issues that affect daily life, this ongoing podcast from the News Literacy Project hosts journalists and experts on things like chatbots, influencers and subjects like vaccines, global warming, and democracy.

