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How False News Can Spread

Comprehension and Discussion Questions to follow watching Noah Tavlin's TED Talk

(watch at https://youtu.be/cSKGa_7XJkg or <https://ed.ted.com/lessons/how-false-news-can-spread-noah-tavlin>)

1. Paraphrase (put in your own words) this quote:
"A lie can travel halfway around the world while the truth is putting on its shoes."

2. Why is it a problem for us, as consumers of news, that "a lie can travel halfway around the world while the truth is putting on its shoes"?

3. What is circular reporting, and why is it a problem?

4. What are some other ways that bad information or false news can be spread, based on Noah Tavlin's TED Talk?

5. What are some ways to avoid believing lies in the media, according to Noah Tavlin?