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What is Misinformation and Fake News?

Answers

1. Misinformation is when incorrect or misleading details are shared, sometimes by mistake, while fake news is when false information is shared on purpose, usually to deceive or trick people.
2. Misinformation and fake news can be harmful because they can cause confusion, make it hard for people to know what's true, and can sometimes cause real harm, like scaring people or causing them to make unhealthy choices.
3. Misinformation and fake news might exist because some people share false information to get attention or make people believe something untrue, or because people share things quickly without checking if they're true.
4. You can protect yourself from misinformation and fake news by being a smart reader and viewer, thinking about where information is coming from, and checking if something seems unbelievable with a trusted adult or reliable news website.
5. If you see misinformation or fake news, you should not share it because spreading false information can cause confusion and harm.

