

Some initial concepts

- **Critical thinking**
 - Look critically at news from any source
 - Don't accept everything at face value
 - Skepticism, not cynicism
- **Does news story pass the 'smell test'?**
 - Accuracy, but also completeness
 - Check it out from multiple sources
- **Context**
 - Does story provide background for fuller understanding?
 - Does it only take an outsider's point of view?
- **Is the story misleading?**
 - Does it invite false inferences?
 - Does the headline match the story?
 - Does the coverage seem to sensationalize the story?