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## Using the Information Neighborhood Taxonomy to Evaluate News

Every day, we are presented information that is deemed news, but it is sometimes difficult to discern the importance of each piece of information, especially if it is presented on a “news” station, or has characteristics of news, while not meeting our set of characteristics V.I.A. (Verification, Independence, and Accountability), which help to make something news. Use this chart to help you in your evaluation of different pieces of information.

What is the story about?	Who are the sources?	How are these sources accountable?	How is the information verified?

Using this information, I believe that this is news / is not news because