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Links to Activists and Social Media Influencers to Follow on X and Instagram

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Yalla
A platform dedicated to building bridges of peace and promoting people-to-people connections
in the MENA region, in both Arabic and English.
- X: https://x.com/watchyalla?s=21
- Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/watchyalla?igsh=Nmk1cGpvdzFrbjE2

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- Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/amjadt25?igsh=MWF6eHR0eXR3dHpxcQ==

Builders of the Middle East
A Platform Aiming to Promote Peace in the Middle East
- X: https://x.com/buildersmideast?s=21
- Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/buildersofmideast?igsh=bzl4cnpsM3QwZzBi

Chama Meshtaly
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- Instagram:
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John Aziz
Palestinian Musician, Peace Activist, and Analyst
- X: https://x.com/aziz0nomics?s=21

Johnathan Elkhoury
Lebanese-Israeli Columnist, Public Diplomacy Adviser
● X: https://x.com/jonathan_elk?s=21
● Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/jon_elk?igsh=MXhuaHpiYjJ2OHFvaw==

Luai Ahmed
Peace Activist and Anti-Islamist Extremism Activist from Yemen and Host of Builders of the Middle East
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● Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/justluai?igsh=MXB4anM4OXRiOHhmcw==

Loay Alshareef
Saudi Social Media Influencer, Linguist, and Peace Activist
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● Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/lalshareef?igsh=MWh1eHAxb3RpOWU2aw==

Montana Tucker
American Singer, Dancer, Social Media Influencer, and Educator
● X: https://x.com/montanatucker?s=21
● Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/montanatucker?igsh=NmptOTFhdjcyaWNs

Mosab Hassan Yousef
The Son of One of Hamas's Founders
● X: https://x.com/mosabhasanyosef?s=21

Noa Tishby
Israeli Activist and Actress
● Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/noatishby?igsh=ejA2Ynl0YjMyM3Rm
● X: https://x.com/noatishby?s=21

Rawan Osman
Syrian-Lebanese Peace Activist and Founder of Arabs Ask
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● Instagram:
https://www.instagram.com/rawanosman2024?igsh=MTBndTRyY2dhZm9zZQ==

Visegrad 24
Polish News Platform Providing Fast-Paced News Developments
● X: https://x.com/visegrad24?s=21
● Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/visegrad.24?igsh=MTBmOWprZXVmc3R2MA==

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How To Navigate the Digital Landscape of Misinformation | Andrew Schuster

Fact Sheet: Combating Misinformation & Disinformation

Effective Tools and Resources to Verify Information Before Sharing

Key Definitions
- Misinformation: False or inaccurate information shared without intent to deceive.
- Disinformation: Deliberately deceptive information spread to manipulate or mislead.

Steps to Verify Information

1. **Check the Source**
○ Verify if the source is reputable and known for fact-based reporting.
○ Investigate the author's credentials and potential biases.

2. **Cross-Check Information**
○ Look for multiple sources to confirm the accuracy of the information.
○ Use fact-checking platforms (see list below) to verify contentious claims.

3. **Examine the Date**
○ Ensure the story is current, as outdated articles can mislead when circulated as new.

4. **Be Skeptical of Sensational Headlines**
○ Avoid sharing stories with overly emotional or clickbait-style headlines without verifying the content.

5. **Reverse Image Search**
○ Use reverse image search tools (e.g., Google Reverse Image Search, TinEye) to verify the authenticity and context of images.

Trusted Fact-Checking Resources
- **Snopes**
URL: www.snopes.com
Coverage: A widely used resource for checking the truthfulness of rumors, viral claims, and news stories.

- **FactCheck.org**
URL: www.factcheck.org
Coverage: A nonpartisan project of the Annenberg Public Policy Center, fact-checking political claims and social issues.

- **PolitiFact**
URL: www.politifact.com
Coverage: Focuses on fact-checking U.S. political issues, offering a Truth-O-Meter score for claims.

- **Reuters Fact Check**
URL: www.reuters.com/fact-check
Coverage: Verifies claims found on social media, particularly images, videos, and other multimedia content.

- **BBC Reality Check**
URL: www.bbc.com/realitycheck
Coverage: Provides fact-checks on global news stories, focusing on the U.K. but with international reach.

- **The Washington Post Fact Checker**
URL: www.washingtonpost.com/news/fact-checker/

Coverage: Covers U.S. politics, particularly claims made by public officials.
Tools to Detect Manipulation

● **Bot Sentinel**
URL: www.botsentinel.com
Detects bot activity on Twitter to help you spot automated accounts spreading disinformation.

● **Hoaxy**
URL: hoaxy.iuni.iu.edu
Visualizes the spread of articles online and shows which ones are fact-checked.

● **Google Reverse Image Search**
URL: images.google.com
Helps you verify the origin and context of images by uploading or pasting the image URL.

Additional Reading
● **How to Spot Fake News (FactCheck.org)**
○ www.factcheck.org/2017/11/how-to-spot-fake-news/
○ Offers tips for identifying fake news and suspicious stories.

● **Combating Disinformation in the Digital Age (Council on Foreign Relations)**
○ www.cfr.org/report/combating-disinformation-digital-age
○ Focuses on how state actors and other organizations spread disinformation online.

● **Digital Literacy and the Fight Against Fake News (MIT)**
○ www.mit.edu/research/digital-literacy/
○ Explores the importance of media literacy in stopping the spread of misinformation.

Stay Informed
● Sign up for Newsletters from trusted fact-checkers like PolitiFact and FactCheck.org to receive regular updates on trending misinformation.

● Follow Reputable Sources on social media that are known for journalistic integrity and fact-based reporting.

By verifying the information you share online, you help reduce the spread of misinformation and contribute to a more informed, responsible digital community.