An Information Awareness Flyer for Young Researchers from the Middletown Thrall Library Reference Department





There is a <u>lot</u> of information out there – not just on the Internet, but everywhere you look!

So many people, so many things being said... not everyone can be right, *right?*

Everything you see or hear or read is **not always 100% true** or not always **what it seems to be**.

How do you know what's true, who or what to believe, and why?

You need to think about it. You need to ASK QUESTIONS like:

- Are you being told *everything*?
- Are you being told facts or opinions?
- Can you trust who is telling you something?
- Is that person *smart?* an *expert?*
- Is the information old?
- Can you understand the information?
- Can you find *better information* somewhere else?

Finding the truth can be difficult or take some time, but it **really is important** that you work at it!

If you ever need help:

- Ask a parent or guardian to explain something to you.
- Check with your teachers at school.
- Use your library's **books** and **databases** to **look up information**.
- Ask a librarian!

The next time you find information, don't react - just get the facts!

