What makes Mis- and Dis-information **stick**?



Understanding this can be complicated. See the League of Women Voters/Algorithmic Transparency Institute presentation recording at www.lwvpgh.org/video.

These things make mis- and disinformation "sticky":

- **1. Motivated Reasoning:** If something I see reinforces what I already believe, it easier for me to feel it is true (when it may not be)!
- **2. Emotional Appeals:** This information is making me **so** angry or afraid, instead of appealing to my reason.
- **3. Easy Answers:** Easy answers are black and white, but rarely true. Real answers are shades of grey and not simple.



Be part of the <u>solution</u>Don't share!







