

# Developing Discerning Information Users

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Source • Understand • Research • Evaluate

The National Library Board's (NLB) S.U.R.E programme, first launched in 2013, promotes the importance of information searching and discernment to the general public. The acronym stands for Source, Understand, Research, Evaluate – four concepts that an individual should keep in mind when assessing the reliability of news. NLB has since upgraded its S.U.R.E programme to become S.U.R.E. 2.0 – S.U.R.E. for School; S.U.R.E. for Work; and S.U.R.E. for Life – to cater to the different needs and segments of the population.

## About S.U.R.E.

### What is S.U.R.E.

We have distilled key information literacy concepts into a simple tagline: **Source, Understand, Research & Evaluate (S.U.R.E.) to enable easy understanding.**



#### Source

**Look at its origins. Is it trustworthy?**

Make sure that the source of information is credible and reliable.



#### Understand

**Know what you're reading. Search for clarity.**

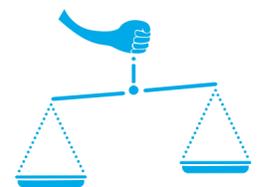
Look for facts rather than opinions.



#### Research

**Dig deeper. Go beyond the initial source.**

Investigate thoroughly before making a conclusion, check and compare with multiple sources.



#### Evaluate

**Find the balance. Exercise fair judgement.**

Look from different angles – there are at least two sides to a story.

### What We Do

The upgraded SURE 2.0 programme has three key thrusts targeting at students, working adults and the general public, especially the elderly.

**S.U.R.E. for School** imparts information literacy and critical thinking skills through programmes for students and teaching resources for educators. Teachers and parents can educate children and youths to distinguish genuine news from false information using a plethora of infographics, elearning and videos on the S.U.R.E. website.

**S.U.R.E. for Work** helps adults pick up trusted techniques to sieve out reliable sources of information at work, using handy tips and fact-checking tools to identify fake news. We work with organisations to equip our workforce with information literacy skills through presentations and workshops.

**S.U.R.E. for Life** aims to educate the general public on the threats that deliberate online falsehoods pose to the peace and stability of society.



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