

Module 1 - Trust vs Verify

The one test before anything goes out

- Would I be happy to put my name on this and be responsible for it?
- If it contains a fact, figure, name or rule you haven't verified - check first.

Usually safe to trust (light check)

- Tone and wording
- Structure and formatting
- First drafts and rewrites
- Brainstorming

Always verify

- Facts, statistics and figures
- Legal or financial details
- Names, dates, anything time-sensitive
- Anything you are accountable for

Hallucination red flags

- Very precise figures with no checkable link
- Named 'sources' or laws you can't find
- Quotes attributed to real people
- Anything about very recent events (unless web-search is on)