

Urban Legend: Lab Assignment

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1. Go to www.snopes.com
2. In the center of the page there are 9 rows of icons – 8 rows of five and 1 row of three.
3. Click on one icon from each row (your choice) and complete the following chart and questions. Most categories have several subcategories and multiple legends, so it will take more than 1 click to find a legend.

Category (Icon)	Title of Legend	Write a one sentence summary of this legend.	True, False, Both, or Undetermined	Had you heard this legend before today?
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10 (any other)				

16. List some characteristics that these legends have in common.

17. Which of the above legends was your favorite? Why?

18. Which one was the most believable?

19. Which one was the most unbelievable?

20. In your own words, rewrite one of the legends in detail.

21. Why, in your opinion, do legends like this get passed around?

22. Write your own definition for what makes up an Urban Legend.