**Group 1: The False Claims**

* In 2023, Donald Trump and Senator J.D. Vance said Haitians in Springfield, Ohio were eating pets.
* They said this at a rally, but there was no proof.

**Group 2: The Impact of the Lies**

* These false claims made people scared and confused in the community.
* Some people were upset because the information was not true.

**Group 3: The Truth in Springfield**

* Local leaders and reporters looked into the claims and found no evidence.
* They said the claims were false and hurtful to the town.

**Group 4: The Importance of Checking Information**

* False information can spread quickly, especially when famous people share it.
* It is important to check facts so people do not believe lies.

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### **Component 2: Follow-up Worksheet (Cloze Sentences and Personal Connection)**

**Cloze Sentences:**

1. In 2023, Trump and Vance said that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ people were eating pets in Springfield.
2. Local leaders and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ did not find any proof.
3. It is important to check \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to make sure what we hear is true.

**Word Bank:**

* information
* Haitian
* reporters

**Personal Connection Question:**

* Why is it important to check if something is true before you believe it?

It is important to check if something is true before you believe it and start telling others about it

because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.