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### **Story**

#### **Fake News, Alternative Facts and the “Lying Press”**

- Top topic: **Activism** and **High Tension**
- **International setting** for a global theme: Berlin, Narva and Moskau
- Politically active influencer start discussions that the media take up and participate in

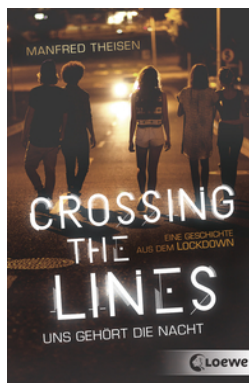
On his YouTube channel, 17 year old Phoenix reveals Fake News and the underlying stories. That's how he gets incriminated in case “Alexander“, dealing with a 6 year old boy who got lost. Shortly afterwards, a video goes viral. A Syrian refugee is being accused to have kidnapped the little boy. Phoenix uncovers the video as fake and gets flooded by a huge shitstorm. When he follows the traces to a Russian troll farm, not only his online reputation runs into danger...

Leonid is bored by the troll farm in Estonia where he writes hate comments everyday to stir up the public opinion against the German government and in favor for Putin. So case “Alexander“ comes for him just in time. After all, the Germans are always looking for a reason to find a scapegoat. How annoying that this YouTuber from Uncover messes up his plans. But Leonid knows exactly how to handle troublemakers...

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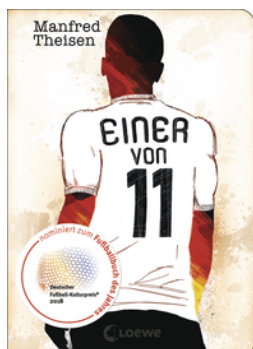
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