

# CURRENT EVENTS

## EXTRA! EXTRA! TELL US ALL ABOUT IT!

BIG NEWS IS HAPPENING ALL AROUND US... WE ARE RELYING ON YOU TO SHARE IT WITH THE WORLD. USE THE SELECTED ARTICLE, AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS BELOW - THE WORLD WANTS TO KNOW YOUR THOUGHTS ON THE MATTER!

NAME:

PARTNER:

DATE:

CLASS / PERIOD:

1. WHAT IS THE HEADLINE OF YOUR ARTICLE?

2. IS THIS ARTICLE CONTROVERSIAL? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_  
(AN ARTICLE IS CONTROVERSIAL WHEN OPPOSING OPINIONS ARE EXPLICITLY STATED WITHIN THE TEXT OF THE ARTICLE.)

3. DOES THIS ARTICLE DEAL WITH QUESTIONS OF MORALITY?  
YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

4. WHAT MORAL QUESTION IS MOST PROMINENTLY DISCUSSED?  
(1 POINT, POSED AS A QUESTION.)

5. DO YOU BELIEVE THAT BIAS WAS WRITTEN INTO THIS ARTICLE?  
YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

(DOES THE AUTHOR INSERT THEIR OPINION INTO THE ARTICLE AND DOES THE AUTHOR PRESENT BOTH POINTS OF VIEW ON THE TOPIC?)

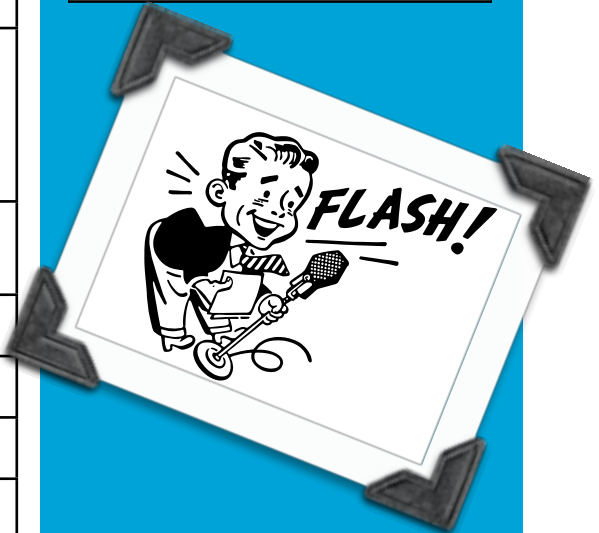
6. IF YOU ANSWERED YES TO QUESTION 5, WHY DO YOU BELIEVE THE ARTICLE IS BIASED? IF YOU ANSWERED NO, WHY DO YOU BELIEVE THAT NO BIAS IS PRESENT?

### CITE YOUR SOURCE!

PUBLICATION NAME:

PUBLICATION DATE:

IS THIS A LOCAL, NATIONAL, OR INTERNATIONAL NEWS STORY?  
(LOCAL MEANS WITHIN OUR STATE, FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS ASSIGNMENT)



# SAY WHAT???

7. IN YOUR OPINION, WHAT ARE THE TWO MOST SIGNIFICANT STATEMENTS (OR QUOTES) FROM THIS ARTICLE? DESCRIBE THE SIGNIFICANCE OF EACH, USING COMPLETE SENTENCES. (4 POINTS)

STATEMENT / QUOTE #1:

STATEMENT / QUOTE #2:

SIGNIFICANCE #1

SIGNIFICANCE #2

8. WHO WILL BE MOST IMPACTED BY YOUR ARTICLE? (1 SENTENCE / POINT)

9. DESCRIBE THE IMPACT THEY MAY EXPERIENCE. (2 SENTENCES / POINTS)

# SUM IT UP!

10. IN PARAGRAPH FORM, WRITE A SUMMARY OF YOUR ARTICLE. BE SURE YOU ADDRESS EACH OF THE QUESTIONS LISTED IN THE BOX BELOW. YOUR SUMMARY SHOULD NOT BE A LIST, AND SHOULD BE A MINIMUM OF ONE PARAGRAPH IN LENGTH. USE PROPER SENTENCE STRUCTURE, SPELLING, GRAMMAR AND PUNCTUATION. (4 SENTENCES / POINTS)

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\* WHO DID IT HAPPEN TO?

\* WHEN DID IT HAPPEN?

\* WHERE DID IT HAPPEN?

\* WHY DID IT HAPPEN?

\* HOW DID IT HAPPEN?

# BOIL IT DOWN!

11. NOW THAT YOU HAVE IDENTIFIED THE MAIN ELEMENTS OF THIS ARTICLE, IT'S TIME TO SHARE YOUR OPINION ON THE ISSUES. WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THE MORAL QUESTION DESCRIBED IN THE ARTICLE? WHAT DO YOU THINK SHOULD BE DONE? WRITE AT LEAST TWO SENTENCES EXPLAINING YOUR POSITION ON THIS SUBJECT. (2 POINTS)



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