

Blizzard Bag 1:

Current Events

Objectives:

- Reflect on a current event of your CHOICE
- Explain how this current affects you and our community.

Directions:

1. Look up or cut out from a newspaper an article of your choice.
2. Use the Current Events assignment information to complete the reflection.

Current Events Assignment

It is very important for people to know and understand the events that are happening in our city, our state, our country, and across the globe. Thus, you are required to complete current event activities for this class. This is a weekly assignment designed to have you read an article from a newspaper or magazine and to analyze that article. You are to include the following criteria in your assignment:

1. Topic
 - a. What is the topic of your article?
 - b. Some weeks this may be assigned, sometimes it will be your choice.
2. Article Title
 - a. What is the title of the article? Exact wording and Author
3. Article Source
 - a. Where did you get the article?
 - b. Date of paper/magazine
 - c. Page number/section
4. Summary
 - a. Briefly and in your own words, summarize the content of the article.
 - b. Three (3) sentence minimum
5. Reaction
 - a. Take a position on the issue contained in the article.
 - b. How do you feel about this event/issue?
 - c. How does this event/issue affect you?
 - d. Five (5) sentence minimum.
6. Impact
 - a. How does this event impact your community/world?
 - b. Five (5) sentence minimum.

Cut out OR photocopy the article and attach it with your written thoughts. If you do not include the article, the assignment will not be graded. More credit may be earned if you present your assignment to the class for discussion.

This is not a critique of whether the article is good or bad. This assignment is a reasoned opinion of the issue presented and to get you to explore your attitudes/thoughts/beliefs on various topics in the current world. Your opinion should be thought out using the present information and your personal views.

The total value will be 25 summative points per assignment. All current events are due at the beginning of class on when you return. Presentation of the assignment is worth 5 points. It is your choice to present or not.