

Current Events

Each week, a few students will be responsible for sharing a current event with the class. The student will know far in advance which week they will present. Each student will have a chance to share a current event every quarter. This will be part of their Social Studies grade.

Guidelines:

1. Your current event must be PRINTABLE. This means that it must come from a newspaper, a news magazine (such as *Time* or *Newsweek*), or a valid online news source (some useful sources are www.usatoday.com, www.cnn.com, www.kansascity.com, www.msnbc.com, and many more!). newsela.com
 2. Don't wait until the last minute! You may start finding articles a week before you are supposed to present. Just make sure the article is not more than *7 days old* at the time that you present.
 3. When you find an article that interest you, cut it out neatly or print it out. Glue the article to a piece of colored construction paper or to a piece of white typing paper if you are cutting it from a newspaper or magazine.
 4. Next, write a summary of your news article. Be sure to include WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, and WHY. Also include any other important details. Remember, this is just a summary and you do not need to write a book! One to two quality paragraphs will do. This can either be done neatly in ink (pen) on clean (not ripped out of notebook) notebook paper OR it may be typed.
 5. Then, write a paragraph explaining your opinion of the article.
 6. Attach your SUMMARY and OPINION to the NEWS ARTICLE and bring it to class on your assigned date.
 7. You need to be prepared to present your article with the class. Be familiar with the article so you can answer questions anyone might have!
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