

News Report

Objective

The news report is designed for students to practice reading informational writing, gain knowledge of issues and events taking place around the world, practice written and oral summarization, and gain oral presentation skills. Every month, eight students will be randomly chosen to present the following month. Each student will ultimately end up presenting once a semester. This assignment is not accepted late and being unprepared will result in a zero. In the event of an absence, students will present upon returning to school.

Article Requirements

- Must be from a newspaper OR printed off MLive.com; if reporting on sports, make sure it is about an event/issue taking place and not a recap of a game
- At least five paragraphs in length; no more than a month old on day of presentation
- News Report Form completed (form on back—may *not* be used during speech)

Speech Requirements

- At least 1 ½ minutes long; no more than 3 minutes
- Reflects all information found on News Report Form (additional info may be included)
- Article used as a visual
- Note cards are referred to
- Speaks loudly, with enthusiasm, and shows eye contact

Rubric

Article (15 pts.)

- Used as a visual (4 pts.)
- From newspaper OR printed off MLive.com (2 pts.)
- At least 5 paragraphs in length (2 pts.)
- No more than a month old on day of presentation (2 pts.)
- News Report Form thoroughly completed (5 pts.)

Oral Presentation (15 pts)

- Note cards are used (2 pts.)
- Speaks loudly, with enthusiasm, and makes eye contact (3 pts.)
- At least 1 ½ minutes long (3 pts.)
- No more than 3 minutes long (1 pt.)

Reflects all information found on News Report Form in following order:

- Headline (.5 pt.)
- Source (.5 pt.)
- Author (.5 pt.)
- Date published (.5 pt.)
- Where occurring (.5 pt.)
- Summary (.5 pt.)
- Impacts (.5 pt.)
- Reaction (.5 pt.)
- Favorite quote (.5 pt.)
- Why favorite quote (.5 pt.)
- How society learns (.5 pt.)
- Prediction (.5 pt.)

Name: _____ Due Date: _____ Hour: _____ Score: _____/5

Directions: Complete the form below using complete sentences for questions that have more than one line. This form must be handed in *before* beginning the oral presentation.

News Report Form

Article headline: _____

Source: _____

Author: _____ Date published: _____

Where event/issue is occurring (city, country, region, etc.): _____

Three sentence summary of article: _____

How event/issue impacts world, people, animals, economy, or environment: _____

Personal reaction to event/issue: _____

Favorite quote from article: _____

Why above quote is favorite: _____

How society can learn from this event: _____

Predict what may happen as this story develops: _____
