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## **Current Event Directions**

### Creating a Current Event

Directions: living in today's world is amazing! It is filled with all types of information that is quite literally at your fingertips. Your goal will be to use this information to stay informative about what is happening politically in the United States today. You will use your cell phones or computers to go to any of the major reputable news websites and find an article that pertains to our political climate. Once a week you will complete a current event detailing what is happening and what your response is to the article you have chosen. These articles will be shared with the class randomly throughout the year for an in class discussion opportunity. Follow the steps below.

1. Using your notebook fill in one side of a page with all of the needed details including, Title, News station, URL, Synopsis, and your reaction.
2. Your synopsis needs to be three sentences in length and this is where you will tell the reader all about the article that you have read. Remember to keep it brief but thorough because you will not be printing your news article
3. Your reaction is where you share your own thoughts and feeling about the article. These can be both positive affirmations with the story and its viewpoint or you can share your critiques and criticisms about the article. Your reaction must be done in a paragraph which is considered 5-6 sentences in length.

Sample:

Name: Mr. Graham

Title of Article: President hold state of the Union Address

News Station: CNN news

URL: [www.cnn/stateoftheunionadress/update.com](http://www.cnn/stateoftheunionadress/update.com)

Synopsis: The president gave the state of the union address last night and talked about the economy, taxes, and climate change. The economy has been changing rapidly over the last 6 months and the president is concerned about a possible downturn. Taxes were brought up multiple times as a means to try a curb inflation while also trying to balance the budget for the upcoming spending plan.

Reaction: I believe that.... This is good because.... This can be a bad ideas for these reasons... I propose a better solution such as... my biggest concern is...