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Journalism

**Outside Reading: The Reader Responses (100 points)**

Your outside reading requirement in this course is to adopt PRINT magazines and read two articles every week. The publication/s you choose will be yours all marking period, so choose wisely! You may choose either

* A weekly publication
* Four monthly publications within one genre (sports, fashion, politics)
* Four different monthly publications

You will be asked to write up a one page (minimum), **single spaced** response EACH week. Each is worth 10 points. At the end of the marking period, you will have 10 x 10 = 100 points. You will submit each response to turnitin.com.

You will need to use evidence (text-based evidence from the writing and style to illustrate your points.

**Beginning Response Guidelines:**

Always include the following in each response:

* Have the date and publication name on each response.
* Describe this publication: audience, style, tone, purpose.
* What connections can you make from course content to what you read? (Find and explain what articles connect to the current unit (i.e., new, profile, review, editorial, etc.). Be specific.
* Highlight 2 interesting articles from this week. Cite titles and authors. What interested you? Why? Describe the type of article.

Choose to address one or more of the following in your response:

* Comment on the presentation/layout. Is it appealing? Why or why not? What choices in photos/artwork and spacing have been made to pull you into stories? In other words, how does the page layout work for you? Explain with specifics.
* What did you learn this week from the publication? Could be content, style, layout, etc.
* How does this week/month’s publication differ from last week/month? Or, if you have different publications: what observations can you make comparing and contrasting the publications?
* What is the theme of this publication for this date? You may consider not only the publication’s attitude, but what specific content has been covered.