

Project NS30 – Contemporary Issues- News journal

1. Follow the news using reliable sources
Print – National newspapers, Macleans magazine, Canadian Geographic, Time
CBC – radio, CBC Indigenous online, television, Curio
Television – APTN, CTV & Global
2. Select FIVE articles or news stories
For each of the five articles complete the same analysis.

Step One – Analysis

Instructions for News Analysis

- a) Find a news story that interests you. Give the title and date.
- b) Summarise the main points of the article in your own words. (3-5 bullet points or sentences)
- c) Explain why this news story interested you
- d) What is the purpose: Entertain, persuade, describe, instruct, etc. (news stories may have more than one purpose)?

Step Two – Response

1. Think about the ideas, opinions or issues involved in the article you have read , listened to or viewed.
2. Write a short personal response to the article:
 - a) what is your opinion or reaction to the topic/issue?
 - b) What questions does it make you ask?
 - c) Do you agree or disagree with the article’s stance?
 - d) What did you find interesting, puzzling or informative about the article?

For example some of the issues in the news today: “Virtual powwow connects dancers, drummers and vendors amid pandemic”, “Dene-speaking health line open as Sask. gov't encourages use of mental health resources” “Put mining on hold during the COVID-19 pandemic, say Yukon First Nations”.

Start by looking through some articles and decide which are of interest to you.