

SOURCES

- Write down all the people who are quoted or referenced in the story.
- What is the relationship of each person to the central story?
- Are these sources qualified to comment? (Research them if you are uncertain).

FAIRNESS

- Is there more than one side to this story? If so, are different perspectives represented?
- Highlight any adjectives or phrases used to describe people or issues. Are the descriptions neutral? Is any judgement implied?

RESEARCH

- Are any reports quoted or referenced, and/or any statistics included?
- Where did the report or statistics come from? Are they appropriate and reliable? Do they help make sense of the story?

CONTEXT

- What background information is included in the article to help explain the significance of the news event?
- Does the added information help you better understand the news event/issues?

ACCURACY

- Underline any facts related to the central story.
- What evidence is used to support those facts?
- Are quotes attributed to reputable sources?