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Current Events – How to Find News Articles

There are several methods you may use to find news articles for your Current Events assignments. Regardless of how you find your sources, you must keep the requirements for each article in mind. Let's review the requirements:

Your articles MUST come from the following publications:

New York Times	Wall Street Journal	The Associated Press
The Economist	Washington Post	Reuters
The Los Angeles Times	Time	BBC
Chicago Tribune	News Week/The Daily Beast	Al Jazeera
National Public Radio (NPR)	The Atlantic	The Christian Science Monitor

When you print out your article, it must include:

1. The Name of the Author (Exception: Associated Press articles)
2. Date Published
3. Headline or Title of the article

Length

Articles must be AT LEAST one (1) page in length when printed with normal margins and 12-point font.

What makes a good article?

- Articles should focus the Who, What, Where, Why, and How of the event or topic.
- Should not primarily be an interview.
- Avoid opinion or editorial articles. OP/EDs, as they are often called, will take a specific viewpoint and they aim to persuade you to agree with the author's side of the issue.
- News articles generally do not use 'I' or 'Me.'

How to find Articles:

1. Go directly to the news organization's website. i.e. www.nytimes.com, www.washingtonpost.com, www.bbc.com, etc.
 - a. World news may be featured on the front page, but you will likely want to check the 'World' or 'International' section
 - b. Problem: websites may want you to pay for articles.
2. Google News - <http://news.google.com>
 - a. Click on the "World" section on the left.
 - b. Click on a headline to read an article.
 - c. Be sure that the article is from an approved source!
3. ProQuest – <http://search.proquest.com>
 - a. How to Search
 - i. Login: SR6RTGWCQQ Password: WELCOME
 - ii. Choose "Advanced Search"
 - iii. Type in a Keyword (i.e. 'Syria,' 'Middle East,' or 'War')
 - iv. Limit to: Full Text
 - v. Publication Date: Last 7 Days
 - vi. Source Type: Newspapers