

Kid Scoop

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Replace the missing words.

World Press Freedom Day

RISKS REPORT JOURNALISTS RIGHT CONTROL FREE

May 3rd is World Press Freedom Day. People around the world will celebrate the importance of a free press to a democracy.

Freedom of the press gives _____ the right to _____ the truth with a promise that they will not be punished for doing their job by the government.

Freedom of the press also means that people have the _____ to express their opinions or beliefs in publications.

In certain countries, that is not the case.

Where the Press Isn't Free

Sadly, some governments _____ what newspapers and other media can say. Newspapers are not _____ to write about many events.

Journalists around the world take great _____ to get facts and important news and information to all people. Far too many have died doing this.



Can you find at least 5 differences between these two pictures?



Write an article about something you did or saw recently. Include at least three **FACTS**. Remember to include **WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN** and **WHY**, too.

WRITE THE HEADLINE:

By: _____
your name

Write the article here (or use a separate sheet of paper):

Draw a map showing where the event happened:

NEWS OR NOT? Look through the newspaper for articles that a government might want taken out. Cross them out. What's left? These two people are talking about one of the articles you crossed out. Write what you think these people are saying.

Good article! People need to read this because

I disagree! This should not be in the newspaper because



A Day to Reflect and Remember

World Press Freedom Day is a day to think about the importance of a free press and to remember those who have fought and sacrificed for the press to be free.

Facts Help People Understand the World

There are many difficult and confusing things going on in the world. Sometimes it is hard to know what to think. One tip is to look for the **FACTS**. (Example: *The house is red* is a fact. *The house is beautiful* is an opinion.)

FACTS are pieces of information based upon things that can be measured, proven or seen by anyone.

OPINIONS describe how someone feels about a thing or event. Opinions can vary from person to person.

Circle the **FACTS** in **GREEN**. Circle the **OPINIONS** in **RED**.

Tomás is a fast reader.

The apple weighs 5 ounces.

Trees are prettier in the summer than in the fall.

The movie was filmed on location in Canada.

Tomás can read 100 words in 30 seconds.

The apple tastes good.

Trees need water and sunlight to grow.

The funniest scenes you'll ever see are in this movie.

Standards Link: Literacy: Differentiate between fact and opinion.

Extra! Extra!

Journalism Careers

Look through today's newspaper for the names of the following:

- publisher
- editor
- managing editor
- editorial page editor
- an opinion columnist
- a reporter

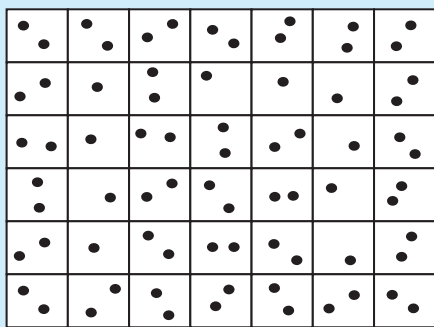
Standards Link: Understand newspaper format.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Freedom of the Press

The Founding Fathers of the United States believed so strongly in the importance of a free press, that they protected that right in the First Amendment of the Constitution. There were 10 Amendments, or additions, added to the Constitution in 1791.

To find out how many Amendments have been added since 1791, color the spaces with two dots red.



Double Double Word Search

JOURNALIST
FOUNDING
OPINIONS
FREEDOM
FATHERS
PROMISE
PROVEN
WORLD
PRESS
TRUTH
RIGHT
FACTS
MEDIA
FEELS
READ

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?



Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

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