



UNDERSTANDING THE NEWS







2 questions



How they check the news.



One example of a big media coverage.

FOUR VIEWS OF THE NEWS



TOM, NORTHAMPTON, ENGLAND

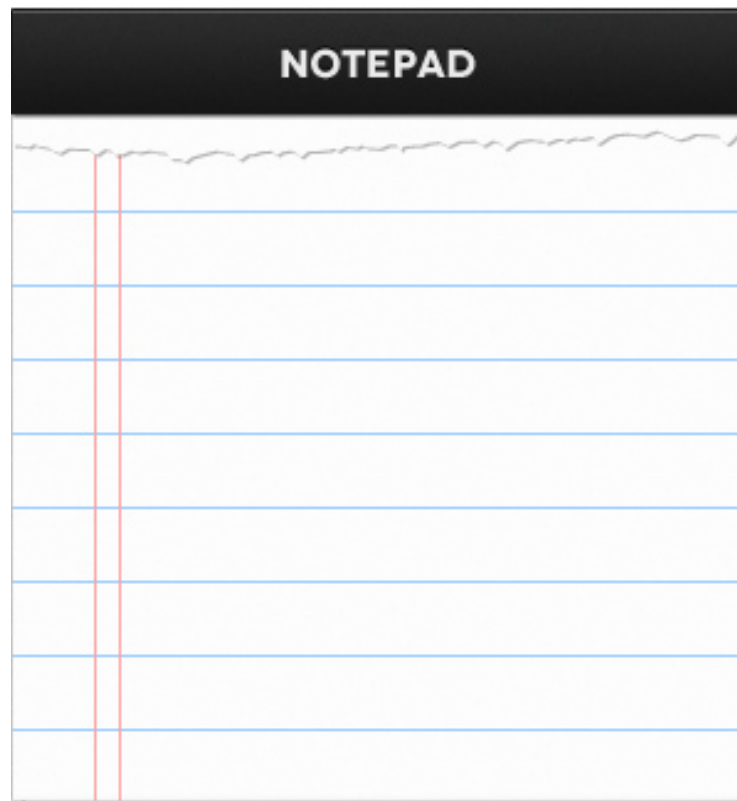


SANDRA FROM TORONTO, IN CANADA





DAN, BOSTON, USA





FOCUS ON CULTURE: FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION

A free press is fundamental to a democratic society.

"Congress shall make no law (...) abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press" US Constitution

Censorship: governments prohibit the use of material.

SHANNON, FROM CAPE TOWN, IN SOUTH AFRICA





How do you check the news?



One example of a big media coverage



Let's listen to Thaled & Maelle!

YOUR TURN TO SPEAK!



FOCUS ON VOCABULARY AND PRONUNCIATION

- **Vocabulary to talk about the news**
 - reliable = unbiased = reputable = impartial
 - biased = prejudiced

Guess!

- /ˈreɪpjətəbl/
- /rɪˈlaɪ.ə.bəl/
- /ʌnˈbɑɪəst/





A PEOPLE'S JOURNEY, A NATION'S STORY

Welcome to the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History & Culture

A CASE STUDY: THE AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE MUSEUM



DEBATED BEFORE IT OPENED

The Washington Post

BLACK-HISTORY MUSEUM PLAN SPARKS DEBATE

October 16, 1989

"A recent suggestion by Smithsonian Secretary Robert McC. Adams to limit an African American museum to a wing at the National Museum of American History has sparked lively debate in the African American community and on Capitol Hill."



2013

"Virginia Congressman Jim Moran objected to the museum on those grounds"

"But defenders say the museum fills an important void."



COVERAGE ON THE OPENING

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THE
NEW YORKER

AMERICAN CHRONICLES AUGUST 29, 2016 ISSUE

MAKING A HOME FOR BLACK HISTORY

The vision and the challenges behind a new museum on the National Mall.



By Vinson Cunningham
August 22, 2016

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Grand Opening: The National Museum of African American History and Culture



100 Years In The Making, Black History And Culture Museum Gets Ready For Reveal

September 14, 2016 · 9:15 AM ET



TANYA BALLARD BROWN

TV and TWITTER



American History TV @cspanhistory · 24 sept. 2016

Our coverage of the @NMAAHC opening ceremony will air again today at 4pm & 8pm ET on C-SPAN3 #CYMI #APeoplesJourney



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The Washington Post

The African American Museum tells powerful stories – but not as powerfully as it could

OPINIONS: NEUTRAL
OR NOT?



Chicago Tribune

Black history finds home on National Mall with new museum: 'It's absolutely breathtaking'

OPINIONS: NEUTRAL
OR NOT?



CULTURE

Permanent February

By JAY NORDLINGER | March 1, 2017 5:00 AM



“If you have a separate museum for black Americans, what about other racial or ethnic groups? Or religious groups?”

OPINIONS: NEUTRAL OR
NOT?





YOUR CASE STUDY: THE GUGGENHEIM

You are a reporter covering art, share your opinion on Twitter.



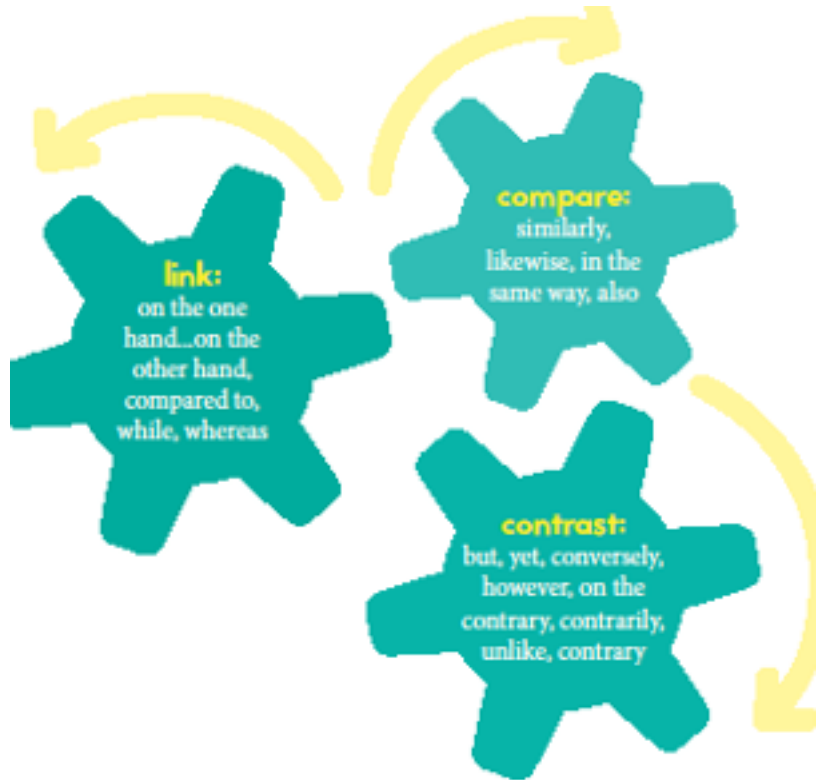
“The building itself is an attraction for visitors (...).” Time Out, 2019

“The most beautiful building in America” Critic Emily Genauer, New York Herald Tribune, 1959

“Wright's monumental and ultimately mischievous failure” New Yorker, 1959

OPINIONS: NEUTRAL OR NOT?





FOCUS ON METHOD: EXPRESSING YOUR POINT OF VIEW

- ✓ **positive view:** amazing, breathtaking, wonderful, exceptional, a success
- ✓ **negative view:** a failure, a disaster, negative, unfair



REACTIONS ON TWITTER



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This museum has a very unique and modern look. Museums often look similar but this one looks like a monument, I like the white color because it makes the museum brighter so I definitely want to visit it ! 🙌🇺🇸 #guggenheimcasestudy #opinionondesign #EnglishLumni @LumniFR

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I think that the design is weird but also cool, it's different from the other museums we see. It is a really special museum. Personally, I like it because it has its own beauty 🇺🇸🕶️ #EnglishLumni @LumniFR #guggenheimcasestudy #mypointofview



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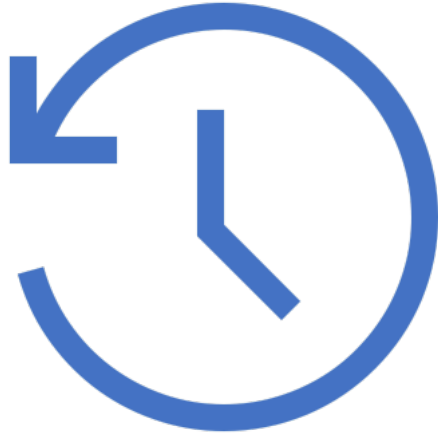
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moderate your comments



LET'S RECAP



- Different types of media
- Variety of perspectives
- Check facts and use multiple sources to avoid bias
- Objectivity vs subjectivity



AFTER-CLASS CHALLENGE

- . Watch films/series about the press**
- . Go on a virtual tour of the Guggenheim museum**
- . Send your tweet #Englishlumni @LumniFR**





Keep calm and listen to
some English ;-)



Don't hesitate to practise
with your friends.



All resources on [francetv.fr](https://www.francetv.fr)
and [lumni.fr](https://www.lumni.fr)



Stay home and stay safe!

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FOR YOUR
ATTENTION!

