



**2023- 2024 ACADEMIC YEAR GRADE 7**  
**ENGLISH PROJECT**

**TOPIC: NEWS and VIEWS – EXPLORING YOUR PASSION!**

Grade	Content	Learning Outcomes	Duration	Assessment Tool
7	News Report Video	Improve reading, listening and comprehension. Improve vocabulary, speaking and pronunciation.	1 Term	Rubrics & Checklist

**PROJECT OVERVIEW**

In this exciting term project, students will step into the shoes of media professionals as they *research, script, and create a 3-5 minute video* in the format of a *news report, podcast, vlog, or talk show*. This project will not only enhance their research and communication skills but also allow them to explore and present topics they are passionate about.

**YOUR PROJECT MUST INCLUDE:**

**1. RESEARCH AND DATA**

- Evidence of extensive research related to your topic.
- Notes and organized findings from research.



**2. SCRIPT**

- A detailed script that was followed during the making of your video.
- The script should include an introduction, main points, supporting evidence, and a conclusion.

**3. VIDEO PRESENTATION**

- A 3-5 minute video in the chosen format (news report, podcast, vlog, or talk show).
- Uploaded to the FLIPGRID platform, under your name.

**4. RESOURCES**

- At least 5 sources where you have gathered your research/data.

**5. SELF-REFLECTION**

- A self-reflection on your own video presentation, addressing areas of strengths, improvements, and challenges you faced during the completion of the project.
- Your self-reflection must be at least one paragraph long and submitted to the designated Google Classroom. (7-10 sentences)



**INSTRUCTIONS:**



**YOU NEED TO COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING BEFORE THE DRAFT CHECK:**

➤ **STEP ONE: TOPIC SELECTION**

- Choose a topic of interest within categories such as local or international news, music, film, sports, education, technology, cooking, the arts, etc.
- You are encouraged to select a topic that aligns with your interests and passions.

➤ **STEP TWO: RESEARCH and DATA GATHERING**

- You are required to do extensive research on your chosen topic using reliable sources such as websites, books, articles, interviews. Do not forget to cross-reference your findings and fact-check the data.
- Take detailed notes of your research in your notebook or computer.
- Include at-least 3 reliable sources you used to gather your data.

➤ **STEP THREE: WRITE THE SCRIPT**

Preparing a good script takes far more time and effort than recording. A good news report requires lots of preparation. Viewers must be able to see and feel your mastery of the topic you are discussing.

- Using the data you gathered during your research, create a detailed script for your news report video. Your script must be well-organized and engaging.
- Your script must include an introduction, main points, supporting evidence, and a conclusion.
- Your script must outline the content, order, and duration of each part of your news report.
- Revise, and rewrite your script several times, and have people you trust read it over for clarity and style.
- Practice your script several times so you sound like you are speaking naturally and not just reading a script during the recording of your news report video.
- Remember, your news report video will be 3-5 minutes long so your script must be long enough to fill in that time span.

**YOU NEED TO COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING FOR THE FINAL SUBMISSION:**

➤ **STEP FOUR: PRODUCE YOUR NEWS REPORT VIDEO**

You may record your video directly on FLIPGRID or using other software or platforms.

- Log in to the FLIPGRID online video platform on your computer or laptop using the log-in information provided by your teacher.
- Record your news report video on FLIPGRID or upload your already recorded video onto FLIPGRID.
- Edit your recording to remove mistakes, pauses, and background noise. Make sure your video is within the 3-5 minute limit.
- You are encouraged to use visuals, graphics, music, sound effects, and engaging delivery techniques to enhance the quality of your video.



➤ **STEP FIVE: SUBMIT YOUR NEWS REPORT VIDEO**

- Once you have completed the recording and editing of your video, submit it directly onto FLIPGRID.
- The detailed notes of your extensive research including a minimum of 3 reliable sources you used must be submitted on the designated Google Classroom page.
- The script you followed during the recording of your video must be submitted on the designated Google Classroom page.
- The self-reflection (minimum one paragraph) you wrote about your news report project, where you discussed your areas of strength, improvements, and the challenges you faced must be submitted to the designated Google Classroom page.

**EVALUATION CRITERIA:**

No	News and Views – Exploring Your Passion!	STUDENT POINTS	COMMENTS
1	Research	/10	
2	Outline	/10	
3	Script	/10	
4	Draft Check	/15	
5	News Report Rubric	/45	
6	Self-Reflection	/10	
	<b>TOTAL POINTS:</b>	<b>/100</b>	





**NEWS REPORT RUBRIC:**

CATEGORY	EXEMPLARY	PROFICIENT	PARTIALLY PROFICIENT	UNSATISFACTORY	POINTS
INTRODUCTION	10-8 POINTS Catchy and clever introduction. Provides relevant information and establishes a clear purpose engaging the audience immediately.	7-5 POINTS Describes the topic and engages the audience as the introduction proceeds.	4-2 POINTS Somewhat engaging (covers well-known topic) and provides a vague purpose.	1-0 POINTS Irrelevant or inappropriate topic that minimally engages audience. Does not include an introduction or the purpose is vague and unclear.	___ /10
	Tells who is speaking, date the news report was produced, and where the speaker is located.	Tells most of the following: who is speaking, date of the news report, and location of speaker.	Alludes to who is speaking, date of the podcast, and location of speaker.	Speaker is not identified. No production date or location of the speaker is provided.	
MAIN CONTENT	20-16 POINTS Creativity and original content enhance the purpose of the news report in an innovative way. Accurate information and concepts are presented.	15-10 POINTS Accurate information is provided clearly.	9-4 POINTS Some information is inaccurate or long-winded.	3-0 POINTS Information is inaccurate.	___ /20
	Vocabulary enhances content.	Vocabulary is appropriate.	Vocabulary is adequate.	Vocabulary is inappropriate for the audience.	
	A variety of appropriate, well-researched and informative sources and has well-edited quotes from “expert” sources. Quotes and sources of information are credited appropriately.	Includes appropriate and informative quotes from “expert” sources. Source quotes are credited appropriately.	Some variety of informative quotes from some “expert” sources. Source quotes need some editing, and some credits are missing.	Includes no source quotes.	
	Keeps focus on the topic.	Stays on the topic.	Occasionally strays from the topic.	Does not stay on topic.	
	Conclusion clearly summarizes key information.	Conclusion summarizes information.	Conclusion vaguely summarizes key information	No conclusion is provided.	
	10-8 POINTS	7-5 POINTS	4-2 POINTS	1-0 POINTS	
DELIVERY	Well-rehearsed, smooth delivery in a conversational style.	Rehearsed, smooth delivery.	Appears unrehearsed with uneven delivery.	Delivery is hesitant, and choppy and sounds like the presenter is reading.	___ /10
	Highly effective enunciation, expression, and rhythm keep the audience listening.	Enunciation, expression, pacing are effective.	Enunciation, expression, rhythm are sometimes distracting.	Not clearly understandable or expression, and rhythm are distracting throughout the podcast.	
	Correct grammar is used throughout the podcast.	Correct grammar is used during the podcast.	Occasionally incorrect grammar is used.	Poor grammar is used throughout the podcast.	
TECHNICAL PRODUCTION	5-4 POINTS	3-2 POINTS	2-1 POINTS	0 POINTS	___ /5
	Transitions are smooth and spaced correctly without noisy, dead space.	Transitions are smooth with a minimal amount of ambient noise.	Transitions are uneven with inconsistent spacing; ambient noise is present.	Transitions are abrupt and background noise needs to be filtered.	
	Volume of voice, music, and effects enhance the presentation.	Volume is acceptable.	Volume is occasionally inconsistent.	Volume changes are highly distracting.	
	News Report length is within the 3-5 min. limit and keeps the audience interested and engaged.	News Report length is within the 3-5 min. limit and somewhat keeps the audience interested and engaged.	News Report length is somewhat long or somewhat short to keep audience engaged.	News Report is either too long or too short to keep the audience engaged.	
<b>TOTAL:</b>					<b>.... /45</b>