

# JOURNALISM MERIT BADGE



*Requirement 2A (Print Journalism is offered at camp.):*

a. Newspaper and magazine journalism:

1. All on the same day, read a local newspaper, a national newspaper, a newsmagazine, and (with your parent's permission) an online news source. From each source, clip, read and compare a story about the same event. Tell your counselor how long each story is and how fair and accurate the stories are in presenting different points of view. Tell how each source handled the story differently, depending on its purpose or audience.

Story \_\_\_\_\_

Local newspaper \_\_\_\_\_

How Long? \_\_\_\_\_

How Fair & Accurate? \_\_\_\_\_

Difference in handling? \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose or audience? \_\_\_\_\_

National newspaper \_\_\_\_\_

How Long? \_\_\_\_\_

How Fair & Accurate? \_\_\_\_\_

Difference in handling? \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose or audience? \_\_\_\_\_

Newsmagazine \_\_\_\_\_

How Long? \_\_\_\_\_

How Fair & Accurate? \_\_\_\_\_

Difference in handling? \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose or audience? \_\_\_\_\_

Online news source \_\_\_\_\_

How Long? \_\_\_\_\_

How Fair & Accurate? \_\_\_\_\_

Difference in handling? \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose or audience? \_\_\_\_\_

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