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News Article Analysis Worksheet

Newspaper/Electronic Source: _____ Pages: _____

Name of article: _____ Date: _____

1. What do you already know about that topic?

2. Comprehensiveness of Information

A. The 5 "W's" and "H"

1. Who? _____

2. What? _____

3. When? _____

4. Where? _____

5. Why? _____

6. How? _____

B. Were all the 5 "W's" and "H" answered? _____

C. Of all the 5 "W's" and "H", star the one you think is the most important.
Tell why.

3. Magnitude of the event in story

A. Is it international, national, or local?

B. What is its impact? How many people were affected by it?

4. Reliability of Sources

A. Is there an author's name _____

B. Did the article come from a wire service? _____

C. Who are the sources in the article itself? (Examples: lawyer, doctor, neighbor, police officer, forensics expert)

5. Personal Reaction

What do you think of this article? (Discuss in at least five complete sentences)

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