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Write An Editorial

Newspaper editorials reflect and express the newspaper's opinion on an issue. Issues are on a variety of topics and could include but are not limited to: election favorites, policy revisions, new laws, rallies, political decisions, zoning and environmental changes etc. Editorials are opinion stories, but in order for an editorial to be effective, it must be backed up not only by an opinion but also by facts and evidence and in many cases the editorial will also include relevant data.

The Task

- ➔ Select a current issue.
- ➔ Decide what your position is on the issue.
- ➔ Give your opinion as to why you have selected this position on the issue.
- ➔ State the facts, evidence and data (if available) to back up your position.
- ➔ State the opposing position.
- ➔ Provide the facts that support the opposing position/opinion.
- ➔ Dispute, challenge and question the opposing opinions, backed up with facts.
- ➔ How will you capture and appeal to your readers?