Triangulation and Misinformation Group Project Assignment Sheet

50 points

You have just been hired by “Just-the-Facts News!” Your first assignment, cub reporter, is to find a story, and report on it using only the facts. No opinion pieces here! You will pick out a news story on the website AllSides.com, read how it is reported on all three perspectives – center, left, and right – and then create your own version of the article without all the bias.

Skills: triangulation, synthesis, analysis, identifying bias and logical fallacies, identifying objective and non-objective writing, identifying opinions in writing, critical thinking

Tasks:

1. As a group, choose one article from the website, AllSides.com. Read the three ways it has been reported – center, left, and right, annotating as you go.
2. Cross out any non-objective words and phrases
3. Cross out any opinions
4. Cross out any biases
5. Circle statement that can be found in all 3 articles
6. Circle statements that appear objective
7. Double check story with politifact.com, snopes.com, and/or factcheck.org
8. Using the circled statements and facts, write a new, non-objective article.
9. Make a presentation for your article
10. In your presentation, you should your process and conclusions and anything you found surprising about how your story was presented in different periodicals