

Name: _____ Date: _____

Finding Bias

All Knowledge Claims Are Situated Perspectives

Part 1 - 24-Hour News Networks:

Visit the websites below. Find their first four stories, using this information to fill out the following table & answer the questions below.

	Main Page News Items	Political Page News Items
CNN (cnn.com)	1. 2. 3. 4.	1. 2. 3. 4.
FOX NEWS (foxnews.com)	1. 2. 3. 4.	1. 2. 3. 4.

Analysis Questions:

1. Are there any differences in the types of stories being covered? Please explain.

2. Why do you think these two news organizations have different coverage?

3. How do you think most people would figure out which one to believe?

4. How should you figure out which one to believe?

Part 2 - Finding Specific Bias:

You will be assigned a specific type of bias to look for. Circle which one you are responsible & find examples from the news (New York Times, Washington Post, Fox News, Daily Caller, CNN, MSNBC, Breitbart, Politico, NPR, etc...)

Bias by Headline

Bias by Word Choice & Tone

Bias by Photos, Captions & Camera Angles

Example	Source (Where is it from?)	How is it biased? (How does it change how we feel about the story?)
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		

1. Why do you think journalists do this to their stories?

2. What is the most important thing you learned through this activity?