

New York Times Current Events

What is the point of this assignment?

The most effective way to become a better writer is to read. Reading extensively will also enable you to increase your vocabulary. Also, I hope this assignment will broaden your horizons.

How many articles will we be required to read each week?

You will be required to read two articles per week. The dates on the articles should be within the given week.

Do the articles have to come from *The NY Times*?

Yes, I specifically chose *The NY Times* because it is one of the most well-known and respected newspapers in the country. Also, *The NY Times* is written on a more advanced level than most newspapers.

How will this assignment be graded?

These articles will count as part of your portfolio grade. When I assess your portfolio, I will select 1-2 articles, which I will read closely. I will go around the room and check for your articles every Friday. If you do not have your articles, five points will be deducted from the current events portion of your portfolio grade. I reserve the right to take up an article unannounced. If you are absent on Friday, you need to email me your assignment. apenglishg@gmail.com

Should this assignment be typed?

Yes.

Name of article:

Date:

Link:

Summary

Why did you choose this article? Why does it interest you? What did you know about the topic before reading the article?

Reflection: What did you learn? What are your opinions about the topic?

Vocabulary-

Write at least one "SAT" word that you found in the article.

Write the sentence from the article that includes the vocabulary word.

Define the word.

Write your own sentence.