

**Fill in the blanks: Journalism and mass media** Complete the following paragraphs by filling in the blanks using the words provided.

### Types of media

blog	newspapers	professional
broadcast	online	quality
media	print	radio

The means of mass communication we use are called the \_\_\_\_\_. The oldest form of media is \_\_\_\_\_ media, which includes books, \_\_\_\_\_, and magazines. Another type of media is called \_\_\_\_\_ media, which includes TV, film, and \_\_\_\_\_. In the last few decades a new form of media, \_\_\_\_\_ media, has revolutionized communication. In the past, print and broadcast media were dominated by \_\_\_\_\_ journalists working for large networks, but now just about anyone can write a \_\_\_\_\_ and upload it to the Internet. Of course, some critics worry that \_\_\_\_\_ is being replaced by quantity.

### Principles of journalism

biased	other	sources
minds	sensationalist	verify
objective	sides	

Good journalism is \_\_\_\_\_, which means journalists should not be influenced by their personal feelings or favor one side of an issue over the other. In \_\_\_\_\_ words, good journalism should not be \_\_\_\_\_ or one-sided. Journalists should try to present both \_\_\_\_\_ of an issue so that members of the public can make up their own \_\_\_\_\_. Good journalism is also truthful. Journalists should \_\_\_\_\_ their facts and collect information from multiple \_\_\_\_\_. Finally, good journalism should not be \_\_\_\_\_, which means journalists shouldn't twist facts or print shocking stories just to increase their readership.

### The media as a watchdog

corruption	independent	order
eye	inefficiency	polluting
function	investigative	watchdog

In democratic countries, one important \_\_\_\_\_ of the media is to act as a \_\_\_\_\_, protecting the public interests. For example, the media can expose government \_\_\_\_\_ by revealing politicians who take bribes. The media can also expose government \_\_\_\_\_ by reporting on wasteful expenditures of taxpayers' money. The media also keeps a watchful \_\_\_\_\_ on businesses and exposes corporate

wrongdoing such as \_\_\_\_\_ the environment. This kind of journalism is sometimes called \_\_\_\_\_ journalism. In \_\_\_\_\_ to carry out this important function, the media needs to be \_\_\_\_\_ and not under the control of business and government.

### Censorship

aired  
censorship  
criticism

free  
incite  
profanity

slander  
speech

Prohibiting something from being published or \_\_\_\_\_ by the mass media because it is objectionable is called \_\_\_\_\_. In some countries, any \_\_\_\_\_ of the government gets censored because the government is worried about holding onto power. In other countries, things that the government finds morally objectionable such as \_\_\_\_\_ or nudity may be censored. Democratic countries, which tend to value the \_\_\_\_\_ press and freedom of \_\_\_\_\_, usually limit censorship. But even in democratic countries, you cannot say whatever you want. You cannot \_\_\_\_\_ somebody and ruin his or her reputation, nor can you \_\_\_\_\_ others to violence.

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