



Every other Friday, we will cover a *sort of* current events. Current events are an important part of understanding our country and the world that surrounds us. It will allow you to make connections to what we are learning in class, give us topics to discuss, and keep you informed of a variety of important issues.

You may use videos or articles from a variety of sources, including the internet, newspapers, and news magazines. We have magazines in the library that can be useful. You are encouraged to an article/picture/video from a different source each Viral Friday.

Written Component:

A brief review will be completed on your Viral Friday Assignment that you followed over the course of the two weeks. Your review should be typed to avoid mistakes, but I will accept neatly handwritten submissions. These will need to be saved for a summary at the end of the semester. In your review, you will need to:

1. Explain your issue and how it created an “impact” (in terms of sociological significance) over the last two weeks.
2. Highlight who was affected by your topic.
3. Summarize why your topic was worth paying attention to.
4. What is your opinion of what happened/you presented
5. What source the V.F.A was from, who created it, and the date of the V.F.A.

Your review should be limited to about a page.

Presentation to Class

On Viral Fridays, we will draw names (unless there is a VERY important current event that NEEDS to be covered that day – in which case...stay on top of your issue so you know about the latest events). If your name is selected, you will discuss your current event with the class, update us, and then open yourself up for questions.

Your viral Friday Assignment is worth 20pts. You will be graded on how you write and discuss your article (your thoroughness and understanding of the topic). If you are absent, you must turn in the review on the NEXT day you attend school. Seeing as this is a regular assignment, you know it is coming and what is expected of you. If it is not turned in on the day you return, you may turn it in for 50% credit.