

## **AP US Government: Weekly Political Commentary**

Objective: To remain current on political affairs and debates in the popular press, and to become familiar with in-depth news programs that are available on television, the internet and print media.

Common News Shows on Television:

### **PBS**

PBS Newshour  
BBC World News Today  
Washington Week  
Frontline

### **CNN**

Anderson Cooper 360  
Erin Burnett Outfront  
CNN Tonight  
The Situation Room  
The Lead

### **C SPAN**

Washington Journal  
America and the Courts  
Newsmakers  
The Communicators

### **MSNBC**

The Rachel Maddow Show  
All In  
Hardball

### **HBO**

Real Time with Bill Maher  
Last Week Tonight—John Oliver

### **Fox**

Special Report  
Tucker Carlson Tonight  
Hannity  
Ingraham Angle

### **CBS**

Late Show with Stephen Colbert (when interviewing a political figure)  
60 Minutes (when covering a political topic)

### **NBC**

Meet the Press  
Dateline

### **ABC**

Nightline  
20/20  
The View

**Alternatives:** Reuters, Associated Press, Politico, Christian Science Monitor (csmonitor.com), Register Guard editorial columnists, New York Times, thehill.com, US News and World Report, Time Magazine

**NOTE:** Short coverage news episodes from nightly news programs are **NOT** adequate.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of News Source: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Time of Show or Author of Article: \_\_\_\_\_

Main Topic:

Discussion points (list **at least 4 points** of discussion, and an opinion for each point):

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| 4. | 4. |

(Note: 1 opinion per topic for full credit! You may use another sheet of paper if you need more room for opinions)