

1 Choose the correct option a–c to complete the sentences.

0 Following the links on ___ headlines of online news can use up a lot of time.
a addictive b capturing c clickbait

1 For my school project, I'm looking for articles and news sources which present both ___ of the story.
a opinions b hands c sides

2 You should contact news media about the unusual bird you've just seen because it's ___. Rare birds have been in the news a lot lately.
a balanced b contemporary c topical

3 It's best to ___ the sources of online articles before you believe them.
a verify b raise c search

4 There's a ___ story here of a lost dog who found his way home. Thank goodness!
a compassionate b heartwarming
c heartbreaking

5 I strongly believe that it's in the public ___ that this documentary about the dangers of pollution is shown on national television.
a advantage b benefit c interest

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2 Match the words from the box to the news stories different people comment on. There is one extra word.

bizarre	exclusive	fraud	hard-hitting
off the record	quirky	sensational	

0 News editor: 'That story is too strange for people to believe. We're not going to publish it.' **bizarre**

1 Reader: 'Most of that story about toxic waste can't be true. I think the author is just trying to shock the readers.' _____

2 Reader: 'This story about a haunted house is a bit strange, but it's interesting.' _____

3 News editor to a journalist: 'Find a story which nobody else has written about. I want only our newspaper to cover it.' _____

4 News editor: 'You need to include strong criticism of the bank in this story. It has made some serious mistakes, which the public need to know about.'

5 Journalist: 'The accountant told me everything she knows, but now she says we can't report it or use her name.' _____

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3 Complete the sentences with the missing words. The first letters are given.

0 Even when governments want to keep information secret, some journalists want to investigate and **reveal** the truth.

1 The news should **s** _____ light on global issues to help people understand them.

2 When a lot of people immediately respond to a popular story, it can go **v** _____.

3 When journalists wanted to **e** _____ corruption in a well-known company, they interviewed various people there to try to find the truth.

4 When my grandfather climbed Mount Everest, it hit the **h** _____ and lots of people read about it.

5 Advertisements generate **r** _____ for TV companies, which is why we see so many of them!

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