The media

1 Journalists and people in the media

Match the words and definitions.

commentator   critic   editor   freelance journalist   newsreader   paparazzi /ˌpæpəˈrætsi/
presenter   press photographer   reporter

1 _____ photographers who follow famous people around to get good photos of them to sell to a newspaper
2 _____ a person who writes about the good / bad qualities of books, concerts, plays, films, etc.
3 _____ a person who describes a sports event while it's happening on TV or radio
4 _____ a person who collects and reports news for newspapers, radio, or TV
5 _____ a person in charge of a newspaper or magazine, or part of one, who decides what should be in it
6 _____ a person who introduces the different sections of a radio or TV programme
7 _____ a person who writes articles for different papers and is not employed by a single newspaper
8 _____ a person who reads the news on TV or radio
9 _____ a person who takes photos for a newspaper

2 Sections of a newspaper or news website

Match the words and pictures.

☐ advertisement
☐ cartoon
☐ crossword
☐ front page
☐ horoscope
☐ review /rɪˈvjuː/
☐ small ads
☐ weather forecast

3 Adjectives to describe the media

Match the sentences. Then look at the way the **bold** adjectives are used in context, and guess their meaning.

1 The reporting in the paper was very **sensational**. ☐
2 The news on that TV channel is really **biased** /ˈbaɪəst/. ☐
3 I think *The Observer* is the most **objective** of the Sunday papers. ☐
4 The film review was quite **accurate** /ˈækjərət/. ☐
5 I think the report was **censored**. ☐

A It said the plot was poor but the acting good, which was quite true.
B It bases its stories just on facts, not on feelings or beliefs.
C The newspaper wasn't allowed to publish all the details.
D It made the story more shocking than it really was.
E You can't believe anything you hear on it. It's obvious what political party they favour!

Can you remember the words on this page?
Test yourself or a partner.

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4 The language of headlines

Match the highlighted 'headline phrases' with its meaning.

1 ☐ **Famous actress in restaurant bill row**

2 ☐ **United boss to quit after shock cup defeat**

3 ☐ **Thousands of jobs axed by UK firms**

4 ☐ **Stock market hit by oil fears**

5 ☐ **Prince to wed 18-year-old TV soap star**

6 ☐ **Police quiz witness in murder trial**

7 ☐ **Prime minister backs Chancellor in latest scandal**

8 ☐ **Tarantino tipped for Oscar win**

A argument ☐
B have been cut ☐
C question, interrogate ☐
D is going to leave ☐
E is going to marry ☐
F is predicted (to be successful) ☐
G has been badly affected ☐
H supports ☐