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| Informational | knowledge that you get about someone or something **:** facts or details about a subject |  |
| Factual | limited to, involving, or based on facts |  |
| Accurate | free from mistakes or errors |  |
| Fact | Something that can be verified, measured or proven. |  |
| Opinion | A personal viewpoint, subject to interpretation. |  |
| Objective | not influenced by personal feelings, interpretations, or prejudice; based on facts; unbiased. |  |
| Subjective | : placing excessive emphasis on one's own moods, attitudes, opinions, etc.; focused on yourself. |  |
| Editorializing | When you include your own opinion in a story |  |
| Balance | you cover all perspectives of a story or issue – using the sources who KNOW the various positions. |  |
| Fair | treating people in a way that does not favor some over others; not biased |  |
| Bias | a tendency to believe that some people, ideas, etc., are better than others that usually results in treating some people unfairly |  |