## **Biased Article Checklist**



## A Biased News Article Contains:

- A catchy title or headline that addresses the topic of the article
- □ An opening statement that grabs the reader's attention
- Major details of the subject in the first paragraph (who, what, where, when, why, and how if relevant)
- □ At least two of the <u>common media biases</u> studied in class
- Subjective language that shows bias (for example, saying someone is a "bum" rather than "homeless)
- □ At least two paragraphs

## **Grammar and Mechanics**

- Each sentence has proper punctuation at the end (period, exclamation point, question mark)
- □ Sentences begin with a capital letter
- **Commas are used when needed**
- □ Sentences are complete and not fragments
- □ Transitions are used between paragraphs and ideas and sentences flow smoothly
- □ Words are spelled correctly