There are FOUR parts of this project. You need to complete each of the following sections in order and present it nicely (computerized report is recommended):

A. **WEEKLY** Media viewing, listening, or reading

Make a chart to keep a record of all the media you watch, listen to or read over the next seven days. Media includes TV, radio, MTV, movies, magazines, newspapers, video games, internet, etc.

1. Give all the media in order of the time you watched it or listened to it.
2. Name the title of the program or media material.
3. Give the length of time you spent on that program or material.
4. Name the type of program:

comedy sports drama musical

entertainment awards advertisement cartoon

game show news soap opera documentary

“personal”: you don’t want to name it children’s

EXAMPLE: DAY 1: Tuesday November 20, 2023

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|  | **Time** | **Program** | **Length** | **Type** |
| 1 | 6:30 am | Captain Kangaroo | 30 minutes | Children’s |
| 2 | 7:00 am | Rock 107 | 15 minutes | Music |
| 3 | 3:00 pm | U-2 CD | 30 minutes | Music |
| 4 | 4:00 pm | As the Stomach Turns | 30 minutes | Soap Opera |
| 5 | 5:00 pm | Weeder’s Digest | 15 minutes | Magazine |
| 6 | 7:00 pm | Millionaire | 30 minutes | Game Show |
| 7 | 7:30 pm | Ya Mama Wears Army Boots | 15 minutes | Magazine |
| 8 | 9:30 pm | Punk Rap Rock CD | 45 minutes | Music/Noise |
|  | TOTAL Day 1 | | 3 hours 30 minutes | |

1. At the end of the seven days, total up the time you have been influenced by media. Circle this number so it is EASILY seen.

B. **SEASONAL** Media viewing, listening, or reading

Make another more general chart, showing the programs and materials you watch, listen to or read over the entire year. Think of programs/materials you watch, listen to or read only at Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year’s, Easter, July 4th, etc. Use the list below for ideas:

baseball football basketball track boxing hockey

ballet plays parades TV specials attractions concerts

1. List the name of the program/material
2. Give the length of the program

C. Once you have completed PART A, calculate the amount of TELEVISION, Cinema at a theatre, Video games & INTERNET that you watch and then categorize yourself using the following chart:

0-5 hours/week … *media is unimportant to me*

5-10 hours /week … *media is somewhat important*

11-19 hours /week … *media is important to me*

Over 20 hours /week … *I need to watch media*

1. Watch a full-length movie or documentary and evaluate the media in the following way:

1. List the major sequential plot (use at least 8 points)
2. Recognize and write down instances where the author, producer, director, etc. showed bias in their presentation
3. Point out several examples of “truth” versus “lie” or “fiction” based on dramatic effect

Rubric (40 points)

Participation & Use of Class Time 10 points

Part 1 Week of Media Charting 10 points

Part 2 Seasonal Media 5 points

Part 3 Media addiction 2 points

Part 4 Movie Review 10 points

Format / Neatness / Effort 3 points