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Agent of Analysis: 6th Grade Current Events Intel Hack

Your mission involves dissecting global bias, tracing the ripple effects of international summits, and deconstructing how media framing shapes public perception of modern crises.

1. When examining a report on the Great Green Wall initiative in Africa, which analytical step best determines if the source is credible?

- A. Checking if the article uses exciting or emotional adjectives
- B. Verifying the author's expertise and the use of peer-reviewed data
- C. Counting how many times the article mentions the local government
- D. Assuming the information is true because it was shared on social media

2. A news outlet that consistently uses 'loaded language' to favor one political side while ignoring the other is demonstrating _____.

- A. Objective reporting
- B. Media literacy
- C. Cognitive dissonance
- D. Editorial bias

3. True or False: In current events analysis, 'causation' and 'correlation' mean the exact same thing when studying the impact of a global pandemic.

- A. True
- B. False

4. If a Nordic country implements a 'Circular Economy' law, what is the most likely long-term 'international issue' that would arise from this policy?

- A. A decrease in that specific city's trash collection fees
- B. A shift in global trade patterns as the country imports fewer raw materials
- C. Immediate changes to the local school board curriculum
- D. A rise in local rainfall as a result of less local manufacturing

5. When a journalist focuses only on the negative outcomes of a trade summit while ignoring the positive agreements, they are using _____.

- A. Selective perception
- B. Fact-checking
- C. Thematic analysis
- D. Selection bias

6. True or False: A reliable way to evaluate the impact of a new cybersecurity law is to compare it to existing laws in different countries.

- A. True

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B. False

7. You are analyzing a map showing water scarcity in North Africa. Which secondary source would best help you evaluate the 'human impact' of this current event?

- A. A satellite photo showing dried-up riverbeds
- B. A poem about rain written in the 1800s
- C. An NGO report on the migration patterns of families in the region
- D. A dictionary definition of the word 'scarcity'

8. Critical thinkers distinguish between _____, which are verifiable, and opinions, which are based on personal beliefs.

- A. Predictions
- B. Assumptions
- C. Facts
- D. Narratives

9. Why is it important to understand 'geopolitics' when analyzing a conflict over semi-conductor manufacturing in Southeast Asia?

- A. Because it explains how geography and international relations influence power
- B. Because it tells us which country has the best-tasting food
- C. Because geopolitics focuses exclusively on local weather patterns
- D. Because it is only relevant to people who work in the technology industry

10. True or False: To perform a 'hard' level analysis of a current event, you should only look at one viewpoint so you don't get confused.

- A. True
- B. False