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Answer Key: Your Global News Quest: A Pre-K Journey Into Big Ideas

Moving beyond simple observation, students evaluate community solutions and weigh the impact of global changes during morning meeting or circle time.

1. If a brand new playground is being built in the park, which group of people should we talk to first to make sure it is a good idea for everyone?

Answer: B) The neighbors who live right next to the park

Evaluating community impact requires identifying the 'stakeholders' or people most affected by a local change.

2. True or False: If we see a photo of a clean beach in a magazine, that means every single beach in the whole world is clean right now.

Answer: B) False

This introduces basic media literacy and the logic that one specific image does not represent the global reality of an issue like pollution.

3. When a scientist shares a new discovery about space on the news, they use _____ to show us that what they found is real.

Answer: B) Evidence and photos

Analyzing current events involves understanding how evidence is used to support claims and build trust in information.

4. A news story says a giant storm is coming. What is the most HELPFUL thing the news reporter can do for the people watching?

Answer: B) Show a map of safe places to go

This requires the student to evaluate the value and purpose of information provided during a national or local crisis.

5. True or False: When two different news stories tell the same event in different ways, we should ask questions to see why they are different.

Answer: A) True

Encouraging inquiry when faced with conflicting information is a foundational step in critical analysis.

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6. If a school in a different country far away starts a new 'Kindness Club,' this is an example of a(n) _____ event that can inspire us here.

Answer: A) International

Global awareness involves recognizing that positive developments in other nations (international issues) can have a local influence.

7. Imagine the TV news says it is 'Ice Cream for Breakfast Day.' How can you tell if this is a fact or just someone's opinion?

Answer: B) By seeing if there is a real law or rule about it

Evaluation of information requires distinguishing between subjective preference and objective social reality.

8. When your town decides to plant 100 new trees to help the air, they are solving a _____ problem.

Answer: B) Community environmental

Connecting local actions to broader concepts like environmental care is key to analyzing local current events.

9. True or False: It is important to listen to how people feel about a new law, even if they disagree with us.

Answer: A) True

Democratic participation and analysis involve evaluating multiple perspectives on a single issue.

10. If you hear a story about a robot helping kids in a library in Japan, why does this matter to us in our classroom?

Answer: B) It helps us think about how we might use tools differently here

Synthesis involves taking information from an international event and applying the underlying concept to one's own environment.