

MARCH

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Research the area of drugs, tobacco or alcohol, and write an article that informs the local readers of the dangers of one of the substances.

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Discuss what is meant by the "norms" of society. Have students find articles with examples of behavior that deviates from the norm and discuss them.

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Using the weather map, compute the difference between the high and low temperature for some of the cities listed. Which city had the greatest difference? Find the city on a world map.

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Find a local or national issue related to science that citizens hold a variety of opinions on. Research the issue in teams and prepare a presentation that outlines a course of action.

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You are in charge of preparing a time capsule that will be opened in 200 years. Cut items from the newspaper that you think would tell the most about our lives today.

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Create a vocabulary family tree by searching through the newspaper for words that include prefixes, root or family words, and suffixes. Cut each apart and paste on a page.

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Place news items or pictures about each state on a large outline map of the United States. See how many states you can find in the news in two weeks.

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Have students circle all the numbers they find on the front page. What kinds of numbers were found (dates, time age, odd/even, etc.)? How do they relate to number concepts being learned in class?

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Find articles on population growth and/or decline. What effects do advances in medical technology or population control policies have on population growth and/or decline.

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Find a story about crime. What are the consequences for the criminal's family, friends, neighbors? How does this crime impact society, the community, individuals?

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Select a story from the paper and find the nouns. They can underline people, places and things in different colors. (Then try verbs, etc.)

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Chart community crimes for one-week using reports and articles in the newspaper. Chart the type of crime, age of the criminal, location, etc.

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Find a restaurant ad with prices for food. Choose some items you and your family would like to eat. How much will it cost for a family of 4 to eat adding 5% sales tax and a 15% tip.

2 2

Begin a vocabulary list of science words found in the newspaper. Record the spelling, meaning and the use of each word.

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Find a story of someone or some group doing positive things, like volunteering or helping. Why do you think kids or grownups do these kinds of activities?

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Read only the first sentence of each paragraph to determine the basic components of an article. Write your impressions. Then read the whole article to confirm or revise your impressions.

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Research good and bad relationships between the United States and other countries. Try to categorize the reason these relationships may exist.

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Choose five jobs showing wages, some hourly and some yearly. Prepare a chart showing how much you will make per hour, per day, per week, per month, and per year from each job.

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Using the weather map, find the city with the highest and lowest temperature. What is its longitude and latitude? Graph how many cities have a clear, cloudy or rainy forecast.

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Find a story with a moral problem or conflict. What was a better choice based on the concepts: How would I feel if it were done to me? Would it be good if everyone did it?

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