AMETHYST CLASS – CURRENT EVENT REPORT

Name/Date: _____

Due: _____

You have been selected to participate in sharing an interesting current event with our class next Friday!
(If our week ends on a Thursday, your report will be do on Thursday)

1. With your parents help, **browse articles** from the newspaper, recent magazines and appropriate online news organizations for a news story you find interesting. The article must be within the previous week or if you are using a magazine it should be from the month of October. You must consider if the article is long enough and has enough information and meaning in order to complete the paragraph expectations.
2. **Read the story carefully** several times to ensure you understand the details of your article. Ask your parents help if you need it.
3. **Take notes by answering the questions** on the bottom and back of this page to help you analyze the story like a reporter by answering the questions – who, what, where when, why and how.
4. **Write a final paragraph summary** of no more than 10 complete sentences explaining the details of the story; include the answers to the who, what, where, when, why and how questions. Display your article along with your paragraph nicely on construction paper or other poster paper.
5. **Write a final paragraph explaining your personal reaction and world impact** of your chosen article of at least 10 sentences. Your final draft paragraphs will be typed in 12-point "normal" font (Courier, Times New Roman, Arial, Helvetica are all standard fonts) or legibly written in black ink.
6. **Practice your presentation** at home and be sure to be prepared to answer any questions that are asked by the class.

Good luck! We will be very curious and interested to know what you will share with us about the world out there!

"I have talked to my parents about the directions and purpose of this assignment."

Parent Signature: _____

Use the following outline format to help guide you in writing about your chosen article. You will use your completed outline and rough draft writing to help you write your final draft.

I) Summary – What is the most important information that is written about in the article? Describe the background of the people/animals/technology, etc that is being written about in the article and what they are doing. This is like answering the who, what, where, when, why and how of your article:

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2) Your Personal Reaction – What compelled you to choose this article? How do you feel about the people and the event? How does the event affect you personally? What are the possible positive influences from the article that you can incorporate into your life?

3) World Impact – How does the event described in the article impact the world? What changes may be made in this part of the world because of this event? How might the event influence others who have read this article?

Extra Notes – (Who, what, where, when, why, and how?)