**Journalism 120: Rubric for Close-Read**

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Guidelines: Choose one article from allsides.com and complete a close-read of the article by identifying elements of bias. Your 10 annotations in the margins should identify and explain the type of bias used in your article. Although no one article will contain all forms of media bias, your annotations should reflect a variety of examples.

Types of bias:

* Bias through omission - Bias through placement
* Bias through tone / word choice - Bias by headline
* Bias through names / titles - Bias through statistics and crowd counts
* Bias through source control (“puff-pieces,” pseudo-events - Bias through photos, captions, and camera angles

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Here is a sample of a close-read comment:



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