

OSSD - English Grade 12

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Definition 1.1 (Social Issue). A state of affairs that negatively affects the personal or social lives of individuals or the well-being of communities or larger groups within a society and about which there is usually public disagreement as to its nature, causes or solution.

In the class, we are asked to write a Social Criticism based on a frictional media text.

Definition 1.2 (Social Criticism). a form of academic or journalistic criticism focusing on social issues in contemporary society, in respect to perceived injustices and power relations in general.

Definition 1.3 (CRAAP test). When you pick sources, you should consider 5 different aspects of the source:

& Currency: *is it recent enough for the topic*

& Relevance: *Does it actually help your research question*

& Authority: *Who wrote it?*

& Accuracy: *Is it based on data, evidence, citations?*

& Purpose: *Why does it exist?*