**FEATURE REPORTER’S NOTEBOOK**

You will use this document for Lessons 3.01, 3.02, 3.04, and 3.05. Please save it to your computer so you can add your work with each lesson.

**PART ONE – Lesson 03.01**

You must choose a topic for a feature story that you will write over the next few lessons. Your topic options are listed here. Please pick the **one** that interests you the most:

* **Gender Bias in the Media** – For example, do males or females get an unfair advantage in jobs in the media? Look at leadership positions, appearance requirements, equal pay, etc. There are many other ways to explore this topic, as well!
* **Controversies in Sports** – For example, when do rule book interpretations interfere with the outcome of a game? Look at debated wins and losses, etc. There are many other ways to explore this topic, as well!
* **Generational Differences** – For example, is there a generational divide when it comes to the adoption of new technology? Look at games, social media, workplace technology, etc. There are many other ways to explore this topic, as well!

Remember, you will be writing a feature story using one of these topics. This means you will have to find a human-interest subject within your topic that you can report as a narrative.

1. Which topic have you selected?
2. In five to seven sentences, explain how you plan to turn this topic into a feature story. **List your resources (research sources, interviews, etc.) and answer the 5Ws and one H in your explanation.**

**PART TWO – Lesson 03.02**

You must conduct your research and interviews and then write the first 250 words of your feature story.

1. List and explain how you have used your research sources here.
2. Provide the name of your interviewee, the date of your interview, and the responses you got from your interviews here.
3. Paste the first 250 words of your feature story here.

**PART THREE – Lesson 03.04**

You will write the last 250 words of your feature story.

1. List and explain how you have used details and anecdotes here.
2. Paste your lead and conclusion here. Explain how they relate to each other.
3. Paste the last 250 words of your feature story here.

**PART FOUR – Lesson 03.05**

You must **revise your feature story** and **reflect on the revision process**. If you are doing the **collaboration opportunity**, you must follow the instructions in the lesson for sharing your work with another student.

1. Paste your entire revised feature story here. Highlight in yellow areas you revised from your original draft.
2. In one paragraph, describe why you made the changes to your draft when you revised.