| **Student Name:** Hanna Zhang |
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| **Motion:** This house regrets the rise of citizen journalism |
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| Student spoke for the duration of the specified time frame. | N/A | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | **5** |
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| Student offered and/or accepted a point of information relevant to the topic. | N/A | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | **5** |
| Student spoke in a stylistic and persuasive manner (e.g. volume, speed, tone, diction, and flow). | N/A | 1 | 2 | **3** | 4 | 5 |
| Student’s argument is complete in that it has relevant Claims, supported by sufficient Evidence/Warrants, Impacts, and Synthesis. | N/A | 1 | 2 | 3 | **4** | 5 |
| Student argument reflects application of theory taught during class time. | N/A | 1 | 2 | 3 | **4** | 5 |
| Student’s rebuttal is effective, and directly responds to an opponent’s arguments. | N/A | 1 | 2 | 3 | **4** | 5 |
| Student ably supported teammate’s case and arguments. | N/A | 1 | 2 | 3 | **4** | 5 |
| Student applied feedback from previous debate(s). | N/A | 1 | 2 | 3 | **4** | 5 |
| Competition Score: | 72 | | | | | |
| Rubric  1 - Unobserved.  2 - Student attempt noted. Needs extended teacher support to properly execute skill.  3 - Student effort noted. Can execute skill with minimal teacher input and guidance.  4 - Student can execute skill with little to no prompting.  5 - Student can execute skill without prompting; exceeds expectations for child of that level. | | | | | | |
| **Teacher comments:**  [NOTE: Today’s speeches are 8 minutes’ long.]  It isn’t clear which part of Prop’s case is utilising a hybrid stance, it would be better if we could highlight which parts of their case did so.   * Why is it impossible for Prop to just strategically oppose the RISE of citizen journalism, rather than citizen journalism in its entirety?   On reinforcing Opp’s mechanisms:   * Well done highlighting it since your first speaker’s set-up was slightly chaotic.   + Don’t stop at the fact-checking mechanism, add on ALL of the content regulation policies that exist in the status quo to defend your comparative, e.g. removing hate speech and extremism. * Spend time recharacterising the world to a post-Cambridge Analytica world where there’s a high degree of political consciousness and high scrutiny on social media platforms.   + So there’s also been improvements to the algorithm to break echo chambers.   After your call-outs, conclude clearly that none of the harms from Prop are exclusive.   * While there is no institutional bias, it doesn’t mean that each user does not have their OWN biases. * Point out that mainstream media also have very clear biases, regardless of Prop’s checks and balances when it comes to reporting credibility. * We should then reposition social media as a safety net and a back-up to mainstream media. * And then engage with Prop’s best case scenario of users EXCLUSIVELY consuming social media news to the exclusion of mainstream news.   Your team has examples of news media having biased coverage for a lot of these issues, but I am yet to hear the institutional reasons WHY the business model of mainstream media is like this, and why they will never change.   * Okay, we’re finally exploring it in your argument, good job! * I appreciate the business model analysis on target audience, coverage bias, and ownership bias.   + Engage with Prop saying that mainstream media did platform social movements like BLM. Point out this only happened precisely because citizen journalists made these stories go viral. * Well done flipping that individual biases exist in a self-correcting environment online.   + Explain HOW so though. Is it as easy as just commenting on a post? Isn’t there a dominance of the majority group online as well?   We cannot just assert that they are qualified!   * Point out that the kind of human stories needed are just their lived experiences, so this is precisely what allows minorities to politically weaponise their suffering.   Good analysis on low barriers of entry, but where is the explanation on why accessibility was even a huge stumbling block, nor explaining why this level of participation is necessary to fulfill the goals of news media.   * Spend time on the big picture comparisons on how this reverses the structural disenfranchisement of these minorities because of the great power/influence of the media. * The analysis of many people who exist on social media needs to be explored far more!   + Tell me why this is the kind of audience that Proposition can never acquire from us.   On breaking echo chambers as well, directly link this to how this overcomes the problem of echo chambers that does exist with mainstream media.   * So this constructive analysis is presented as a tipping point.   Good job offering POIs today!  Your manner is much better today, we can go even slower!  8.18 - Watch for time! | | | | | | |