

NMC News Tonight

You and your group will write and produce the nightly news for a country of your choosing in Africa, Asia or Oceania. You need to assign the following roles:

The **Producer** organizes the stories and puts the show together. They will decide the order of the news stories and give final approval of the script. This person should be organized and comfortable being a leader. (Being bossy is an asset to this job!)

Anchor #1 will be on-air. This person needs to write the script to organize the stories and make the newscast look seamless. They will also have to ask the reporters questions to get more details about the stories. This person needs to be good at public speaking and have personality while on-air. Anchors often contribute story ideas to help the reporters.

Sports reporter will write and report on one or more sports stories. They might choose to interview an athlete or find an angle to something going on in sports news. Is there a scandal? What are the latest reports coming from the Olympics? Has a famous athlete retired? This person usually has an entertaining character. It's important their reports are action-packed.

Weather reporter will discuss the weather events across the country and explain how they impact people. Consider forest fires, volcanoes, droughts, floods, etc. A map will be part of your report and you will need to explain any weather-related stories to the anchors.

Reporter (National)* will report on a story related to news in the country. You can speak with sources or go directly to the main subject of the story. For example, if you're covering a story about King Charles visiting Australia, you can speak to King Charles or some of the people waiting in line to see him. Remember to keep your stories unbiased and provide both sides to the story. This person needs to be serious and able to find a good angle on a story. They will have to do research and find sources to help them get to the nitty-gritty of the news.

Reporter (International)* will report on a story related to the news outside the country that still impacts the citizens. You might want to cover a war that has affected trade or something in a neighboring country. This person needs to have an understanding of geography, other cultures and current events.

Reporter (Economic)* will report on a story related to the economy and business side of the country. Has a new industry opened? Are there issues with a mine or a fair trade factory? You could also expose child labor or forced labor. This person needs to be good at interviewing sources and considering multiple angles to the story.

Arts and Culture reporter will report on a story that isn't considered 'hard news'. This story could be about the arts, or an interview with a person connected to the arts. You can research

cultural events and give a detailed report on what happens at this event. This person needs to be creative and good at interviewing.

Technology reporter will report on a story related to a way science or technology is making life better for the people. You can focus on new discoveries or inventions, or something that is supporting the economy, like an irrigation system. Has there been a new invention that is preventing floods or droughts? This person should have a good understanding of technology, architecture, science and inventions. They will have to consider what would make a good news story for the general public.

*One of these will be the Lead news story.

NMC News Assessment

Below Expectations	At or Above Expectations	Above Expectations
	Content -information in the reports is accurate and complete -stories are fully explored -sources and interviews are used effectively	
	Presentation -Effort has been put into the newscast -On-air reporters speak clearly and make eye contact with the camera -the newscast is entertaining and engaging	
	Group work -group members shared the work load -class time was used effectively	