



## Media and Government

- With your table groups, discuss:
  - What are 5 different types of media?
  - How can the media help keep our government accountable?



- Means of reach and quickly people
  - Newspaper
  - Television
  - Radio
  - Internet
  - Social M



## The Media



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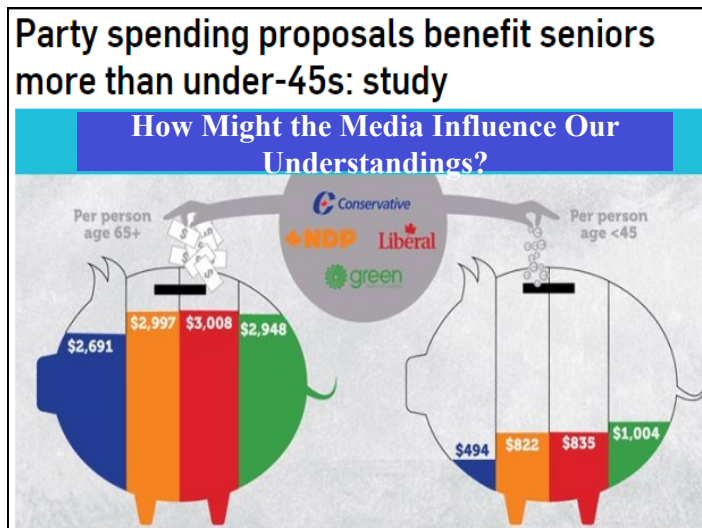


The image shows two scenes related to media. On the left, a woman wearing a blue scarf and a dark jacket is holding a professional video camera, likely a news reporter. On the right, a group of people is gathered around a memorial or a person lying on a stretcher, with some individuals appearing to be providing assistance or documenting the scene.

## Role of the Media



- Report information
- Influence people's understandings of events
- Inform people of the impact of government on their lives



## Keeping Government Accountable




Tell Canadians about:

- Scandals
- Misuse of power
- Questionable bills
- Bad decisions

## Keeping Government Accountable



## Keeping the Government Accountable



- What was the news story about?
- How might it have served to keep Alberta's government accountable?

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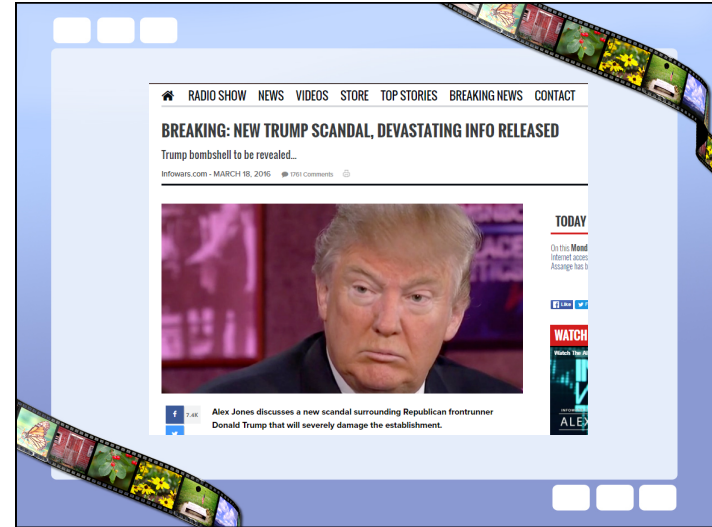
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## Parliamentary Press Gallery




- Reporters who cover decisions made by the Government

## Dangers of the Media




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- With your table groups, brainstorm:
  - 3 scenarios where the Media could be a negative thing?



## Bias



- An opinion based on unchallenged assumptions
- Slanted or unbalanced report
- Favoritism to one perspective over another

## What is the Bias?



## Bias Activity



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- What is your article about?
- What are some words used to describe Sam Hughes?

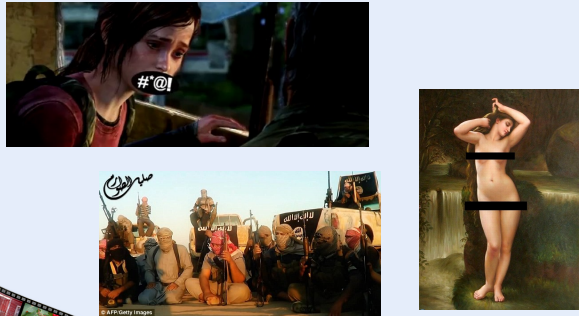
## Dangers of the Media



The problem with censorship is

- Censorship
  - When government tells the media what to report

### Good Censorship



This slide illustrates 'Good Censorship' with three examples. The top image shows a character from a game with a '#@!' symbol over their mouth, representing a common form of censorship. The bottom-left image shows a scene from a game with a 'C' rating, indicating a rating system. The bottom-right image shows a painting of a nude woman with black bars over her breasts, representing a form of censorship that obscures content without removing it.

### Bad Censorship

YOU WRITE WHAT YOU'RE TOLD!



This slide illustrates 'Bad Censorship' with a central image of a woman saluting in front of a typewriter, with a black bar over her face. Above the image is the text 'YOU WRITE WHAT YOU'RE TOLD!', suggesting a form of censorship that forces writers to conform to government or media directives.

### Bad Censorship



This slide illustrates 'Bad Censorship' with a large black rectangular redaction covering the entire content area of the slide, representing a form of censorship that completely obscures information.

### What Role Does the Media Have in the Canadian Government?

This slide poses a question about the role of the media in the Canadian government, with no text or images below the question.