

Documentary Video

The Job – option #1

Create a documentary on a “social issue”. Choose a specific topic that has an effect upon the community, perhaps that people should be more aware of. Interview a minimum of 3 people, one of which must be an adult. Those being interviewed should answer in complete sentences.

Finished projects must include sufficient b-roll to coincide with the interviews. Finished video should be between 2 and 4 minutes in length. You may NOT use on-screen text to state the question.

Schedule and Due Dates

Please see www.penguindaze.com for schedule

Grading

15 points – peer grade and critiques

35 points – finished project (overall including minimum 2 students, 1 adult interviewed)

35 points – how well you completed *your* assigned job

15 points – video addresses a social issue

Tips

- Don't place your interviewees up against a wall while you talk to them. Give them a background. Seated at a desk, on a bench, something interesting.
- Capture as you go (don't wait until finished filming to start transferring to computer)
- Get LOTS of b-roll
- Use down time to work on your final project or be interviewed by another group.
- Interview twice as many people and only use the 'good' interviews.

Examples of Social Issues (your topic does not need to be listed here)

- Abortion
- Abuse
- Bankruptcy / welfare
- Censorship
- Discrimination
- Disease (HIV, etc)
- Education
- Gay rights
- Health insurance
- Immigration
- Pollution
- Poverty
- Sexism
- Teen pregnancy
- War