

WHAT SOURCE DID YOU HAVE?
ADD IT HERE.

SUMMARY

Write a brief, three to four sentence summary.

Include a picture that sums up the main idea of the article.

THE BREAKDOWN

Who is the author? Are they an expert in the field? Why should we trust/why shouldn't we trust them on this topic?

Source, publishing date:

Where does the source fall on the media bias chart?

What is the author's purpose? Who is the audience?

Where does it fall on the police reform scale (is it calling for support for police, moderate reforms, or a complete overhaul of the system)? Why do you think so?

STRUCTURE

How does the source start? How does the author hook the reader's attention?

How does the author develop the ideas in the article? (Do they use interviews? With who? Anecdotes or personal narratives? Case studies? Poll results? Statistics? etc.)

STRUCTURE

Whose voices, perspectives, and opinions are being heard in the article? Whose voices are missing?

What is the text structure?

What is the <u>medium</u>/format? Why do you think the author choose this form? Is it effective?

EFFECTIVENESS

Does the author use facts, statistics, or results of studies to back up their points, or is the whole article opinion based? Is there sufficient evidence to support the claims? Is the evidence strong and valid? Explain, citing a quote as evidence.

Does the author use emotion to persuade the reader? (Think, emotional narratives, strong word choice, evocative interviews, etc.) Is the use of emotion effective or manipulative? Explain, citing a quote as evidence.

EFFECTIVENESS??

Does the author include a <u>fair</u> counterargument? Does the author rebut it effectively? Explain, citing a quote as evidence.

Overall, do you think this source is effective in its persuasiveness? Why or why not? After reading or watching did your view or opinion on the topic change?