**ANG-5106-2 Current Events**

**Project seven**

**Sports**

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| Do you drool when you watch Messi dribble a soccer ball past three defenders, or do you hold your breath as you observe Connor McDavid skating full speed from one end of the ice to the other, or maybe when Lebron James steals the ball and does a slam dunk…? Every sports fan has a favorite sport. Which one is yours? Whether you like swimming, track, curling or cycling, this project is for you! |

**TASK 1:** Watch a sporting event in English. You can do this on television at home if you like. In the rubric below, indicate what you noticed about the techniques used by the announcers? Also, identify a list of ten specialized vocabulary words or expressions that you heard or read; provide definitions for these terms (in English). Complete the graphic organizer below using note form.

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| **Sport** |  |
| **Vocabulary** |  |
| **Expressions** |  |
| **Special techniques** |  |
| **Other observations about reporting on this sport** |  |

Then, if possible, watch (or read) a summary of the same sporting event. Complete your list of expressions and vocabulary.

Discuss your observations with your partner or your teacher.

For match summaries of the various sports, you may consult the following list:

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| **HOCKEY** | | |
| QRCode  <http://www.thehockeynews.com/> | | QRCode  <http://www.espn.com/nhl/> |
| **FOOTBALL (AMERICAN)** | | **BASKETBALL** |
| QRCode<http://www.espn.com/nfl/> | | QRCode  <http://www.espn.com/nba/> |
| **BASEBALL** | | **TRACK AND FIELD** |
| QRCode<http://www.espn.com/mlb/> | | QRCode<https://www.trackandfieldnews.com/> |
| **AMATEUR SPORTS (OLYMPICS)** | | |
| <https://www.thestar.com/sports/amateur.html>  QRCode | | QRCode<http://www.cbc.ca/sports/all> |
| **SOCCER** | | |
| QRCode<http://www.espn.com/soccer/> | | QRCode<https://www.mlssoccer.com/> |
| QRCode  <http://bleacherreport.com/world-football> | | |
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| **Vocabulary** | |  | | |
| **Expressions** | |  | | |
| **Special techniques** | |  | | |
| **Other observations about reporting on this sport** | |  | | |

**TASK 2:** Now that you have watched and commented on a match or other competition, read an article which recommends how journalists should report on that particular sport, using one of the websites listed below, (you may also use one of the websites about sports writing in general) Take notes, using the rubric. Consult your notes when you complete task 3.

**REPORTING ON DIFFERENT SPORTS**

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| **HOCKEY** | **BASEBALL** |
| QRCode<http://povichcenter.org/todays-nhl-writers-on-covering-hockey/> | QRCode<http://www.baseballsoftballuk.com/guidetowritingarticles> |
| **SOCCER (FOOTBALL IN ENGLAND AND THE REST OF THE WORLD)** | |
| <http://www.bbc.co.uk/schoolreport/18020021>  QRCode | QRCode<https://penandthepad.com/how-7798986-write-football-match-report.html> |
| **FOOTBALL (AMERICAN)** | **BASKETBALL** |
| <https://www.thoughtco.com/tips-for-writing-types-of-sports-stories-2074330>  QRCode | QRCode<https://penandthepad.com/how-2331005-write-basketball-game-recap.html> |
| **TRACK AND FIELD** | |
| QRCode<https://www.scholastic.com/teachers/articles/teaching-content/track-and-field/> | <https://www.trackie.com/track-and-field/Articles/>  QRCode |

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| **AMATEUR SPORTS (OLYMPICS)** | |
| <https://www.viasport.ca/toolkit-3-finding-newsworthy-stories-within-your-sport-organization>  QRCode | <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4wRwZrThGXI> (absurd, humorous Olympics report)  QRCode |
| **GENERAL ARTICLES ON SPORTS JOURNALISM** | |
| <https://www.wikihow.com/Write-a-Sports-Article>  QRCode | QRCode<https://www.voicemag.uk/how-to-guide/how-to-write-about-sports> |
| <https://www.viasport.ca/toolkit-3-finding-newsworthy-stories-within-your-sport-organization>  QRCode | <https://www.freelancewriting.com/freelancing/how-to-write-a-sports-report/>  QRCode |
| QRCode<https://www.thoughtco.com/write-the-short-game-story-2074328> | QRCode<https://www.quora.com/How-can-I-write-sports-articles-cricket-football-hockey-tennis> |
| QRCode<https://www.viasport.ca/module-4-how-write-engaging-sports-article> | QRCode<https://www.thoughtco.com/tips-for-writing-types-of-sports-stories-2074330> |
| QRCode<http://www.newworldencyclopedia.org/entry/Sports_journalism> | |

**TASK 3:** Write an article (or prepare a video or audio summary) on a sporting event. Take notes first in the rubric below. If you are writing an article, review the suggestions for writing news articles in project three.

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| **Sports event** |  |
| **Date, place, time** |  |
| **Imaginary news source** |  |
| **Describe your public** |  |
| **Match result and most important athlete or action** |  |
| **Context of the event (playoffs, exciting rivalry, etc…)** |  |
| **Description of the event** |  |
| **Conclusion** |  |