

## **Newspapers affect people's ideas and opinions. Do you agree or disagree? If you agree, is it a positive or a negative development?**

Newspapers have been traditionally an important part of civil life, providing information and serving as a watchdog against abuses by those in power. Now a query requiring to be raised is how it can affect society.

The newspaper is known as a famous industry that can easily sway a range of people by its information regardless of the validity of its news. Not only is this medium easily accessible, but also more affordable, so individuals prefer it compared to another sort of media. Moreover, in the past, the print media was the only way to be informed about the events and even the governmental issues and accordingly society used to rely on them and quickly are quickly influenced. Although the popularity of the print media ~~has~~ has been continuing until now, it has changed with technological developments such that the online newspapers are available through the net. Apart from the mentioned advantages, the writers might induce their biased ideas about an event due to their commitment to a political party so that alarmingly **news stories** may be underreported or omitted and consequently due to the reputation of newspapers that remained from the past, the average people trust them.

Moreover, unfortunately it would ~~seem~~ seem that the majority of **redactors** (publishers) seek to entertain rather than inform people and prefer to publish ~~tabloid~~ tabloid news. Moreover, the constant barrage of advertising that purposely is ~~directed~~ directs at people's mind which might ill-inform the general public. Therefore, it is necessary to raise public awareness so that public will be after valid news and **would** not rely on every news, additionally for the free flow of the information the press law should be introduced so that authorities ~~cannot~~ can not interfere ~~with~~ the freedom.

In sum, as the newspapers enjoy some benefits such as the quick and easy accessibility to news, it may have some pitfalls that have been outlined above. However, in my opinion the advantages outweigh the drawbacks. The community needs to access news and it is the authorities' responsibility ~~ty~~ and even individuals to raise the awareness and knowledge in order for the people to make a distinction between right and wrong news. Throughout the history, people always have faced ~~with~~ the partial news and it is not justified for ~~this reason~~ the people to be ~~are~~ deprived of this medium.