

Chemistry Article Assignment  
Due - Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup> & Mondays in the 1<sup>st</sup> Semester

- **What:** Find an article from a newspaper, journal, or reputable magazine (not Cosmopolitan – if you're not sure, ask me) that relates somehow to Chemistry
  - **Examples** of good magazines or journals to use may include Scientific American, Smithsonian magazine, Popular Science, Science News, Science Daily Online or something along those lines. See the Useful Links & Info page on my website for good links to use.
    - Our **MSHS library** has some of these magazines; otherwise, you can use your **King County Library** membership to find an article using an online database. Or go to your **local library!**
- **How:**
  - You will provide a ½ to 1 page **summary** of the content of the article (handwritten or single-spaced typed)
  - Point out which branch of Chemistry the article relates to
  - If the article is related to research, also point out the type of research it represents (basic, applied, or technological development)
  - You will also do a 3-5 minute **presentation** to the class describing your findings. We will post all the articles somewhere in the room to see how many examples of Chemistry-related news we can find.
- **When:** Every Monday morning. I will pass around a sign-up sheet and you will sign up with one Monday this semester (we may have two people going on one Monday if need be). The first official sign up will start with Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup>.
  - YOU are responsible for remembering which date you signed up for. So **WRITE IT DOWN**. This is not a really big assignment, so it shouldn't take you too long to complete. The hardest part will be remembering the date you signed up for.

**See rubric for this assignment on the next page...**

Chemistry Article Summary - Rubric

Score: /21

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Period: \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Presentation**

- 1.1. Did you mention how the article is Chemistry related? /2
- 1.2. Did you clearly summarize the content of the article? /4
- 1.3. Did you note which branch of Chemistry it relates to? /2
- 1.4. Did you note which type of research the article relates to? /2

**2. Written Summary**

- 2.1. Did you mention how the article is Chemistry related? /2
- 2.2. Did you clearly summarize the content of the article? /4
- 2.3. Did you note which branch of Chemistry it relates to? /2
- 2.4. Did you note which type of research the article relates to? /2
- 2.5. Was the summary approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 1 page in length? /1