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Journalistic vs. Personal Writing

OPENER : Watch this <u>video</u> about journalist Adaobi Tricia Nwaubani who writes about discrimination in Nigeria. She wrote both an essay/memoir, as well as a journalistic piece about this. Listen carefully and keep track of the differences between the two types of writing.

ESSAY/MEMOIR	JOURNALISTIC/NEWS REPORTED

CLASS ACTIVITY : Look at the chart on the next page and choose a news article / journalistic essay that is related to the personal narrative you read in class.

As you read the article, keep track of the facts that you learn about this topic/issue.

How did learning this information help you understand or shed light on the personal narrative you read last class?

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Personal Narratives	<u>Themes/Issues/Topics</u> (<u>Pulitzer Center Resources)</u>
1) "Do Not Accept Nan Check," Kiese Laymon - <u>https://medium.com/s/story</u> <u>/do-not-accept-nan-check-a</u> <u>2b31e5a41ae</u>	Mississippi / Poultry Plants / Working Class - <u>https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/union-leaders-call-slower-line-s</u> <u>peeds-covid-19-spreads-mississippi-poultry-plants</u> Racism / Poverty - <u>https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/milwaukee-evictions-spurred-c</u> <u>ovid-19-longstanding-racism-and-poverty</u> Hunger / Food Banks - <u>https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/food-bank-lines-filled-stories-li</u> <u>fe-and-death</u>
2) "Why I Tried to Save My Father, My Dictator," Karla Cornejo Villavicencio - <u>https://www.nytimes.com/</u> 2020/04/03/opinion/sunday / <u>undocumented-immigrant</u> father.html	Undocumented Immigrants - https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/undocumented-pandemic-nowher e-else-go Legal Paths for Immigration - https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/undocumented-pandemic-nowher e-else-go Latino Workers - https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/arkansas-poultry-plants-are-stru ggling-covid-19-hispanic-workers-are-facing-worst-it Asylum Seekers - https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/after-asylum-ruling-migrants-jua rez-face-new-choice-stay-line-or-try-crossing-elsewhere

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3) "Racism Is Terrible. Blackness Is Not," Imani Perry - <u>https://www.theatlantic.co</u> <u>m/ideas/archive/2020/06/ra</u> <u>cism-terrible-blackness-not</u> /613039/	Protests During a Pandemic - https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/first-pandemic-then-protests BLM Activist - https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/portrait-pandemic-we-cant-be-s elective-what-black-lives-matter-and-what-black-lives-dont Protests and Surveillance - https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/prying-eyes Police Brutality Against Black People in PR - https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/they-believe-were-criminals-blac k-puerto-ricans-say-theyre-police-target Black Art and Culture as part of BLM Movement - https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/afropunk-brings-black-lives-matt er-ethos-abroad Celebration of Black beauty - https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/afro-latina-started-magazine-pu erto-rico-celebrate-black-beauty
4) "You Want a Confederate Monument? My Body Is a Confederate Monument," Caroline Randall Williams - <u>https://www.nytimes.com/</u> 2020/06/26/opinion/confed erate-monuments-racism.html	Street Names - https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/what-kansas-city-can-learn-daka r-amsterdam-and-memphis-about-naming-streets-mlk Slavery - https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/1857-project-extracting-poison- racism-americas-soul
5) "Why I Speak Up for Black Women," Megan Thee Stallion - <u>https://www.nytimes.com/</u> 2020/10/13/opinion/megan <u>-thee-stallion-black-women</u> <u>.html</u>	Gun Violence - https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/gun-violence-and-pandemic-lea ve-st louis-woman-one-choice-escape Violence Against Native Women - https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/well-grief-relatives-murdered-n ative women-speak-out Violence Against Women in El Salvador - https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/violence-against-women-el-salv ador-driving-them-suicide-or-us-border Violence Against Women - https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/how-far-can-abused-women-go- protect-themselves Rapping and Activism/Justice -

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https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/jordanian-rapper-lgbtq-rights-f reedom-expression-and-resistance
Rap Revolution - <u>https://pulitzercenter.org/reporting/rappers-revolution-senegal</u>

INDEPENDENT WORK

How does journalistic writing/reporting differ from personal narratives? How are the two connected?

Which did you learn more from? Which did you enjoy reading more?