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Media Literacy – Thinking Questions

Directions: Now that you have completed the Media Literacy Module in the Digital Citizenship Canvas Course, respond to each question below with your thoughts. Each response should be one paragraph (4-6 sentences).

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| **Question** | **Answer** |
| 1. | How can the media shape our beliefs about our community? | Most of the things we believe today come from the media/internet, so it contributes or shapes some of our beliefs. People believe in many things that are said in the media or on the internet. Throughout our community people have many different opinions whom they share in the media. Thus, media shaping our beliefs. |
| 2. | How can we determine between what is true and what is untrue in media? | We can determine that by checking out the source or where the media got this information from. We could also try multiple websites to see if the information is reliable. We can also get information from other places like books or magazines. There are many ways to determine whether information is true it not |
| 3. | What is the problem with getting information from only one media source? | The information may or may not be true, in other words it could be unreliable so getting information from other sources can help make sure it's reliable. For example, Wikipedia is not always reliable. One website could say one thing and 3 others could say something different having other sources ensure reliability on truth. Overall, it is not wise to trust the one and only source you come across. |