Paper 1 Assignment

Compare and contrast one story from traditional media and one story from new media. Explain using examples what is similar and what is different about the two stories. Use evidence (quotes and/or images) from the stories to back up your points.

Analyzing Stories in Preparation for Paper 1

Elements to consider when analyzing the stories in preparation for the paper:

◆ Time
  • How is time represented in the story?
    ▪ What techniques are used?
    ▪ How does the story combine grid time (abstract) with narrative time?
    ▪ How does the representation of time contribute to the experience of the events as a narrative?
  • What selections of events were made in order to tell the story? Why?
  • What events were skipped over or left out? Why?
◆ Structure
  • What is the basic structure of the stories?
  • What traditions does the story draw on for its structure?
  • What traditions does the story modify or reject for its structure?
  • Is the story structure effective? Why or why not?
◆ Interactivity
  • What types of interactivity does the story enable?
  • What types of interactivity are not enabled in the story?
  • Is the use of interactivity in the story effective? Why or why not?

See the Assessment Rubric, available Sept. 27, for further information about paper requirements.