

Cartoons for the Classroom

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Is it crazy or just political theater?



"I'M TWEETING FROM UNDER MY DESK BECAUSE PRESIDENT OBAMA WIRETAPPED ME!"

R.J. Matson, Roll Call / Courtesy of Cagle.com

Talking Points

1. What visual device do these cartoons use to illustrate the apparent craziness of recent political events?
2. Is there any evidence to back up President Trump's claim that he was wiretapped?
3. Is there any evidence to back up claims that the Russians interfered with the election?
4. Do politicians use dramatic statements or claims divert the public's attention away from other issues?
5. Can you find examples?

Between the lines

"The bigger the scandal, the more outrageous the tweet," — Former Obama press secretary Josh Earnest

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/us-politics/barack-obama-donald-trump-wire-tap-josh-earnest-tweets-bigger-scandal-us-election-a7613256.html>

Additional resources

More by R.J. Matson

<http://www.cagle.com/author/r-j-matson/>

More by Bob Gorrell

<http://editorialcartoonists.com/cartoon/browse.cfm/GorreB>

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