

# Cartoons for the Classroom

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## Do we only see what we want to see?



Christopher Weyant, The Boston Globe / Courtesy of Cagle.com

### Talking Points

1. What are these cartoons saying about how Americans are getting information about the impeachment hearings?
2. How does reporting about political events differ among various newspapers, news networks and social media?
3. Do people usually turn to news sources that just reinforce their own opinions and beliefs?
4. Can you tell the difference between factual reporting, opinions or outright lies? Do they get mixed up? Examples?
5. Are politicians trying to sell us opposing versions of reality?

### Between the lines

"Now more than ever, the lines between fact-based reporting and opinionated commentary seem blurred for people. That means they trust what they are seeing less. They are feeling less informed." - Evette Alexander, journalism researcher.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/11/18/us/polls-media-fake-news.html>

### Additional resources

- [More by Christopher Weyant](https://www.cagle.com/author/chris-veyant/)

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- [More by Lisa Benson](https://www.editorialcartoonists.com/cartoonists/bensol/cartoons/)

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