

## POST-GAMEPLAY

### Explore Meaning

To encourage students to delve deeper into their experience of Unit 3, direct students to the writing section of their Editor-in-Chief's Notebook to answer the following questions after completing each session of "Unbiased Reporting."

### MORNING SESSION

1. On what evidence does LaDonna base her statement that Mayor Young has accepted a bribe? (A construction company is building a new section onto the Mayor's house at no charge while also bidding on a giant construction job for Port Douglas.) Note: You might want to write the definition of "bribe" on the board before asking the question above: bribe—something offered for the purpose of getting someone to do you a favor.
2. Sometimes people's choice of words can reveal their attitudes more than they intended. Write the figurative expression "juicy information" on the board and ask students for their thoughts on its meaning. (e.g., colorful, related to gossip or scandal, shocking) Why might you, as Editor-in-Chief have been suspicious when LaDonna told you she had some "juicy information" from her contact at City Hall? (e.g., Her choice of words might reveal that she is eager to write a negative story about Mayor Young—that she is biased against the Mayor.)
3. Ernie edited a review of a new app called "You're on Tour!" which you didn't have time to read. What happened as a result of your not making time to read the review? (The review was published with errors that were embarrassing to TDB.) If you were too busy to review Ernie's work, what could you have done to prevent today's bad outcome? (e.g., Made sure an experienced reporter, such as LaDonna, carefully went over Ernie's review before it went up on the blog; told Ernie not to post the review but to save it for you to read later)
4. Write on the board: *Downside*: a result that you don't want. Then explain that LaDonna wants to get out the story about the Mayor quickly, before another news source publishes it. You want to slow down and make sure every factual detail is completely accurate. What could be a downside of always checking and rechecking facts? (You will never be first to publish a new story.) What could be a downside to getting this story out quickly? (e.g., Even if TDB breaks the story, if it is inaccurately reported, it will make readers distrust TDB.)

