

### **Assignment #1) Seven Attributes of A Successful Reporter**

In the article, "Pre-writing- To Be a Successful Reporter." The author named several different ways and reporters can be successful and stand out in their field. The seven attributes are smart, quick, curious, pleasant, honest, courageous, and persistent. Out of the seven attributes listed in the article, the two that stood out to me the most were honesty and curiosity. With journalism, it is one of the cardinal rules, to be honest, and tell the truth to your consumers. When you are honest with your readers, it helps them trust you and want to turn to you for a story. It is the job of a journalist to speak the truth and only report factual news. The author specifically says, journalists are obsessed with accuracy and double-checks their facts with callbacks. Also, the author touches on how journalists see both sides to every issue. Journalists are never biased on any issue and let the reader conclude on their own about the topic. The other important attribute is how journalists are curious. Curiosity is the main drive being gathering information for a news story. When looking for the truth in a story, journalists must go out and do research, find sources to interview, and receive answers that they seek. With the rise in "fake news," it is even more important for journalists to be curious to find the facts. Curiosity also contributes to being persistent and not being content with pieces of information. Journalists will not stop until they get the full story from their source, the curiosity will not die.