Quiz – Newsworthiness Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Directions**: For each of the following scenarios, choose one (or more terms) which explain the situation’s newsworthiness. Briefly explain your choice.

* A Secret Service agent assigned to the President is arrested and charged with DUI.
* Terrorists hold 140 people hostage in a Texas stadium.
* A whale swims the wrong way in a channel and is trapped.
* Tomorrow is Patriot’s Day, the anniversary of 9-11.
* Actor Robin Williams committed suicide.
* Basketball Legend, Michael Jordan, collapses and is rushed to the hospital.
* Our football team beat Kempsville on Friday night 27 – 20.
* A retired Norfolk police officer celebrates his 100th birthday.

**Directions**: For each of the following scenarios, add details to justify the situation’s newsworthiness. Briefly explain your choice using one of these terms

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* A fight breaks out among players during a sporting event.
* A young girl is enrolled in a high school class.
* A lost kitten returns home safely.
* A woman files for divorce.
* A Virginia Beach man buys a winning lottery ticket.