



3. You are the editors of your high school newspaper. Your student newspaper includes an entertainment page in which your critic, who is a senior on staff, regularly critiques local restaurants, CDs, movies, and books. In the last issue, he visited a new restaurant that recently opened and evaluated the food and service. Overall, he gave the restaurant a decent rating, complimenting their seafood in particular. However, your critic criticized a lasagna dish and some of the service, which was slow. The review is published. A week later, your principal interrupts the newspaper class, upset because the restaurant owners have called the school complaining. They demand a retraction and apology in your newspaper and in the local newspaper or they will sue.

a. Do you print the retraction and apology? Why or why not?

b. Legally, do you think you were within your rights to print this review? Explain.

4. You are the editors of your student newspaper. A female student in your school, a junior, is attacked by another student and stabbed in a classroom during the school day. The victim suffers only scratches and recovers. The student attacker, a male junior, is immediately apprehended and arrested after the attack; he is autistic. You will publish the next issue of your newspaper one week after the attack.

a. Do you cover this story? If so, why? If not, why not?

b. How would you choose to cover this story? What information is important for your readers to know? Can you cover this in any section beyond just news? Think of as many different angles for covering this story as possible and list them here.



