

# the radical write

## teacher's manual

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**Just because  
it's a fact  
doesn't  
mean it's  
news.**

Break into groups of four or five and discuss how you would approach each of the following story ideas.

A star football player is injured in an auto accident in the student parking lot.

The journalism teacher is named the state's "Teacher of the Year."

A chemistry student suffers serious burns in a chemistry experiment accident.

Because of vandalism the previous year, the senior dance is moved from downtown hotel to the high school gymnasium.

All-state basketball player Marcus Wilson is highly recruited by Division I coaches.

Freshman Mary Bell wins the state mathematics contest championship.

The principal says the chemistry lab will be closed because of series of accidents.

The English Department is embroiled in debate over a proposal to replace Chaucer with more contemporary writers.

Four teachers who obtained bogus master's degrees to qualify for higher pay are dismissed. The teachers received the degrees from a "diploma mill" in Liberia.

As part of a class in international relations, junior Patrick Wiseman organizes a 2-week conference aimed to address hunger issues in the Horn of Africa.