

# the radical write

## teacher's manual

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chapter 9  
assignment | 1

**Reporters must occasionally look over, under, through and beyond the facts.**

Based on information provided in Chapter 9, please answer the following questions.

1. According to the author, achieving absolute objectivity is impossible. Explain why he believes that.
2. Objectivity depends on point of view. Explain.
3. Objectivity demands that reporters be more than “just” accurate. Explain.
4. List four examples of unprotected free speech.
5. The notion of objectivity is a fairly recent one for American journalism. What event had a major impact on the move to objectivity in mass-circulation newspapers?
6. Explain the difference between interpretive reporting and opinion.
7. List four examples of “loaded words.”