

Economics Portfolio - Country Report Rubric and Expectations

Newslog Rubric

The business news log needs to have a maximum of 500-750 words and you need to address the following question when writing your news log. Be sure to put title at commencement of Newslog.

The title question for this Newslog is: **Macroeconomics; To what extent does the news article present a balanced report on the selected issue in relation to your country report.**

For assignment you need to demonstrate: Reat the title above.

1. Understanding of some key features of the article that affect the whole economy
2. Analysis of article using the information to address the title set
3. Knowledge of economics/business terms (which improves as the course progresses)
4. Ability to evaluate the article and relate it to the whole economy and what impact it can have in macroeconomic context e.g. growth (gdp), unemployment, inflation, sustainability and global issue(s).
5. Clear efforts made to use the planning instrunment to buile a clear report on the article and its connectivity to macroeconomics.

The title question for this Newslog is: Macroeconomics; To what extent does the news article present a balanced report on the selected issue in relation to your country report.

Research:	
Result	Indicator
Below Expectations	Article chosen does not connect with task set.
Approaching Expectations	Article allows consideration of the task set but is limited in terms of completing the task set.
Meeting Expectations	Article was carefully chosen to address the task and shows a good application of the article to economics and business concepts such as growth and employment. See item 4 above.
Exceeding Expectations	Article is well chosen following effective research to allow the student to meet the key objectives in relation to analysis and evaluation and make clear connections between the news article and business concepts such as growth and employment. See item 4 above.

Analysis:	
Result	Indicator
Below Expectations	Poor application of article content to the task set with poor application to macroeconomics. Economics + business terms haven't been applied. Poor use of quotations as evidence.
Approaching Expectations	Good application of article content to the task set with appropriate use of language to macroeconomics. Economics + business terms well applied.
Meeting Expectations	Strong application of article content to the task set with very good use of language connecting article to macroeconomics. Economics + business terms well applied. Strong use of quotations as evidence from the article. Appropriate use of quotations as evidence.
Exceeding Expectations	Excellent application of article content to the task set with very good use of language connecting article to macroeconomics. Economics + business terms well applied. Strong use of quotations as evidence from the article. Appropriate use of quotations as evidence. Excellent links to appropriate economic theory e.g. PPC, circular flow, business cycle.

Evaluation:	
Below Expectations	Poor efforts to understand different perspectives in the article e.g. importance of the article to various stakeholders e.g. firms, household, government , society.
Approaching Expectations	Good efforts to understand different perspectives in the article e.g. importance of the article to various stakeholders e.g. firms, household, government , society. Use of article for the tasks set needs improvement as outlined in the criteria below for meeting and exceeding expectations.
Meeting Expectations	Strong efforts to understand different perspectives in the article e.g. importance of the article to various stakeholders e.g. firms, household,

	<p>government , society. Clear attempt to address the question and make a clear decision in relation to the task of connecting the article to macroeconomic issues such as employment, growth, sustainability, development, inflation, global issue(s). Strong use of sentences and paragraphs to present clear and concise arguments. Strong efforts to address the task in terms of identifying if the article presents a realistic and reliable report on the situation outlined in the newspaper article.</p>
Exceeding Expectations	<p>Excellent efforts to understand different perspectives in the article e.g. importance of the article to various stakeholders e.g. firms, household, government , society. Clear attempt to address the question and make a clear decision in relation to the task of connecting the article to macroeconomic issues such as employment, growth, sustainability, development, inflation, global issue(s). Excellent use of sentences and paragraphs to present clear and concise arguments. Strong efforts to address the task in terms of identifying if the article presents a realistic and reliable report on the situation outlined in the newspaper article.</p>