

Watching Critically: Survey & Critique of Short Documentary Movie

(Please form a group of two to three people.)

Watch the movie objectively and critically:

1. Try to characterize/describe it. How does this determine or relate to the overall style of the movie? (Use of color or B & W, sound, texture, voice, etc.)
2. What documentary style is used?
3. What is/are the implied message(s)?
4. Who is the intended audience?
5. How is the content organized?
 - Analyze the sequence or order in which the story is presented.
 - How does this sequence effect the movie's impact?
6. How are transitions between clips or scenes handled? How do these affect the pace? How are type and voice-over narration used? How do they relate?
7. How is music used? How does it relate to the images and the transitions between them?
8. Why is this movie successful? How could it be improved?

Presentation duration: 5-10 minutes per group

It would be good to show us a short (30 sec to 1 min) clip from the movie to give us an idea what you are talking about

A simple written report (not less than 200 words, you can include images / screen shots)

Due: August 27