

The Future is Ours

Issue Inquiry Choice Activity

Directions: *The Future is Ours* explores the varying perspectives of Gen Z student journalists on issues impacting their lives. After discussing the documentary and participating in civic discourse with your peers, you will now have an opportunity to explore an issue of your own choice. Choose ONE activity from the choice board below, complete the task, and be prepared to share with your peers.

Interview

Conduct an interview (or interviews) with peers, family members, teachers, etc. about their thoughts on the issues raised in the documentary.

Ask questions to understand their perspectives on issues that matter to Gen Z. Take notes and be prepared to share key insights. Then, write a short one-paragraph response on what you learned from the interview(s).

Video Summary

Find a TED talk, news segment or other short video discussing a current issue.

Take detailed notes summarizing main ideas and arguments.

Create a brief written or video-recorded summary of the video and explain why it is important to understand.

Survey

Create a survey to gather classmates' and/or peers' opinions on the issues highlighted in the documentary.

Create a graphic explaining the survey results and provide a 2-3 sentence reflection of the results.

Research & Report

Find an article about a current issue that matters to Gen Z.

Prepare a 1-minute presentation summarizing the key perspectives and arguments. Be ready to explain why this issue is important.

Create a Photo Essay

Take or find photographs that capture multiple perspectives on an issue impacting Gen Z.

Sequence them with descriptive captions to tell a story.

Editorial Comparison

Find two newspaper/magazine editorials with opposing perspectives on a relevant issue.

Highlight key arguments from each and be ready to summarize both sides.

Create a Venn Diagram (or other comparison tool) to display your findings.

Infographic

Create an infographic representing key statistics, facts, and data around a specific issue impacting Gen Z.

Cite credible sources and use visuals to share information you have gathered.

Reflection/Letter

Write a reflection piece or letter to one of the students from the documentary.

Share your own thoughts and opinions regarding the issues presented in the documentary.

Editorial Cartoon

Draw an editorial cartoon that uses symbols, caricatures, and other images to convey a perspective on one of the Gen Z issues.

Be ready to explain your artistic choices.