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What's the Truth?

Instructions: Use the handout to evaluate a health news report on TV. After you answer these questions, do your own research online to get more information or other perspectives on the report. Then write a paragraph evaluating whether the reports are valid sources of information.

1. Source of report:
2. Local, national or international source?
3. Describe the report, including its main message:
4. Is the report based on a scientific study? If yes, answer questions 5 and 6. If no, skip to question 7.
5. Was the study conducted in people? If so, who was in the study?
6. What type of study was conducted?
7. Is there a sponsor or funding organization supporting the study or report? Does this report seem objective or biased? Why?
8. How might this report influence the audience's behavior or attitudes regarding this health issue? Should it change behavior or attitudes?



Evaluation: