

## **CREATE ENGAGING & PERSUASIVE SRHR CONTENT** Day 3: Storytelling & Creative Formats

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## Notebook and pen





## WHAT YOU NEED





# our approach to content creation

#### **Target Audiences**

#### **Persuasive Aims**

Storytelling

**Creative Formats** 

**SRHR Content** 

**Popular Platforms** 



#### What are Stories?

The Essential Elements of a Story

**Creative Formats: Single & Wrapper** 

The 10 Formats: Mix & Match

**Medium & Channels** 

## AGENDA DAY 3



# RECAP AND REFLECTION









## What is a story? What does storytelling mean to you?



Introduction



## **STORY**

- A narrative, story, or tale is any account of a series of related events or experiences, whether non fictional or fictional.
- Narratives can be presented through a sequence of written or spoken words, still or moving images, or any combination of these.

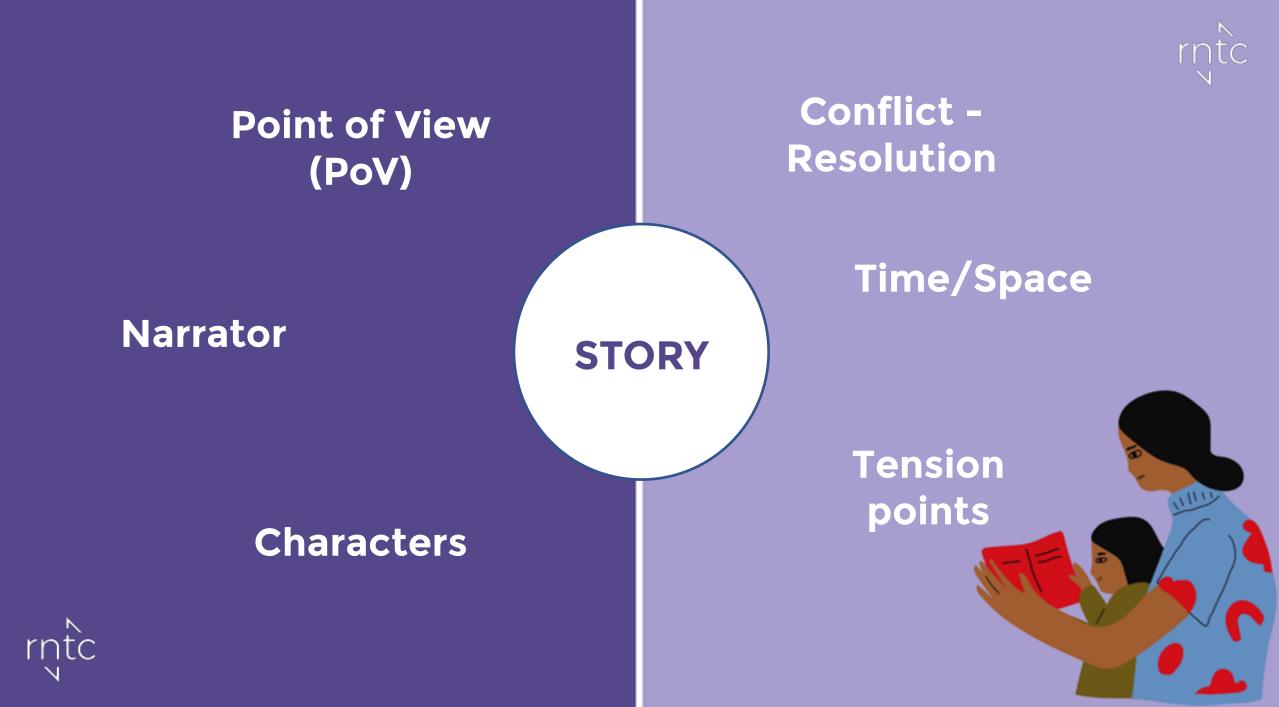






## **STORYTELLING**

It is the way we **share** a story, a way of **learning** and making **sense** of the world.



Four decades after the end of the Cambodian civil war, land mines still plagued the country. By some experts estimate more than a million mines are still in the ground and they have killed over a hundred people in 2013.

It's early morning and Mandy is brought in the bus for her regular journey to the training fields. But today, she has a big test ahead to see if she is ready to join an elite team on a mine clearing mission to Mozambique.





- 1. Which video do you prefer?
- 2. Which one is more memorable?
- 3. Which one has more information?

## HOW TO TELL POWERFUL STORIES: 8 Essential Elements (not just boring information)







TENSION

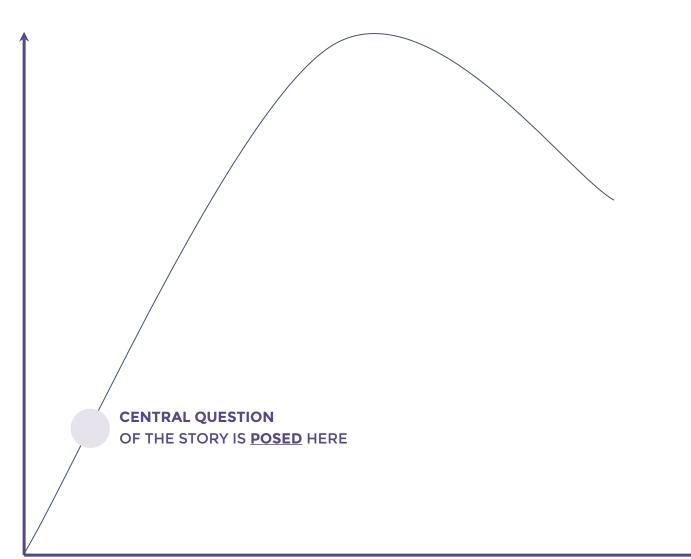






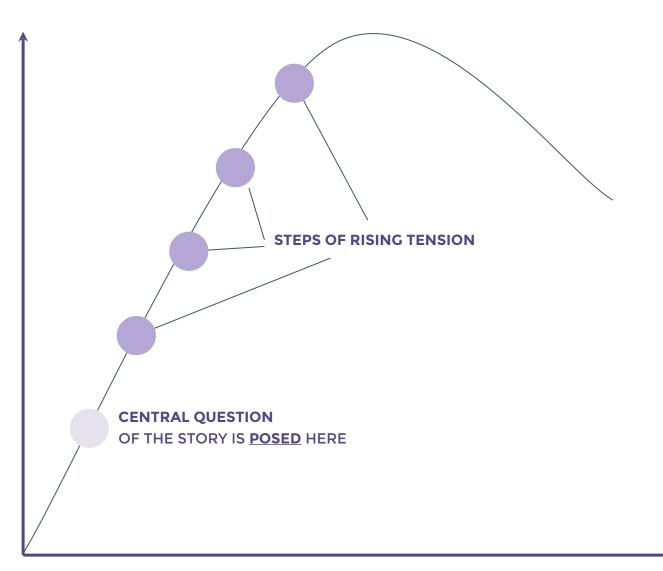








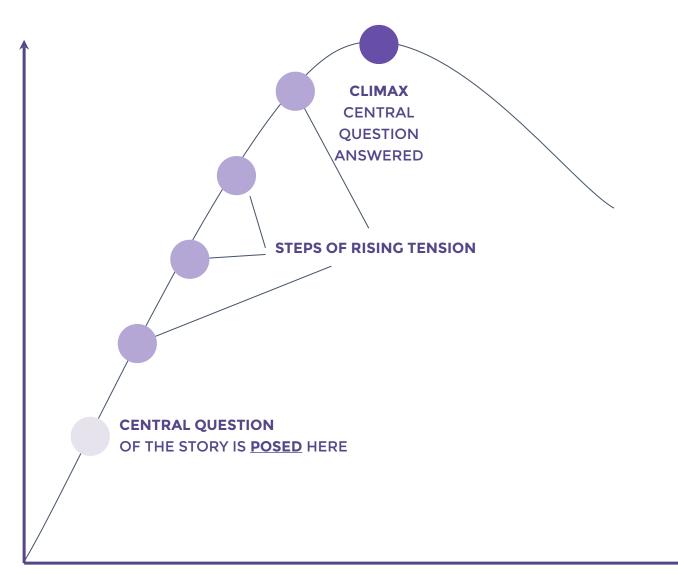






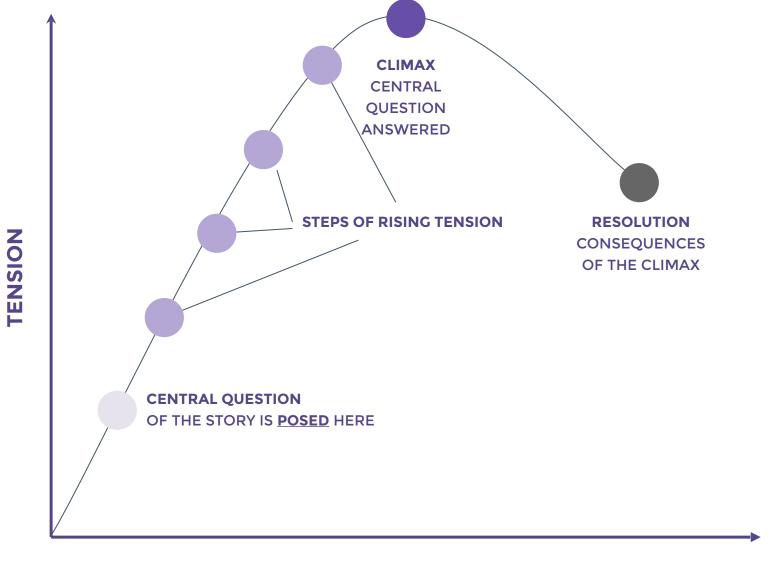
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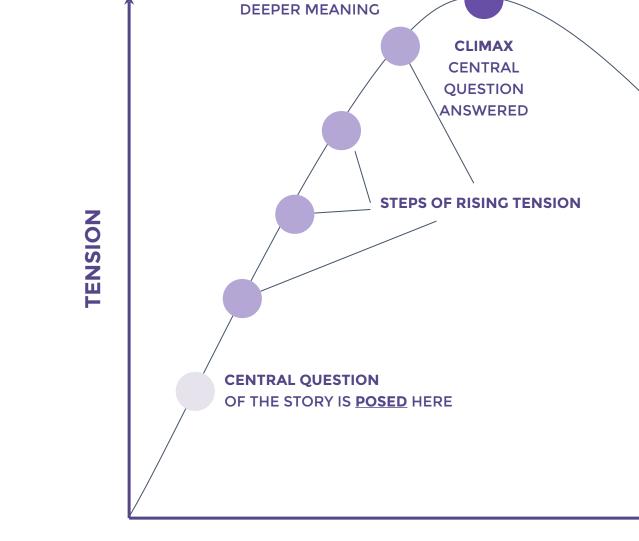






#### TIME (WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?)





**MORAL PREMISE** 

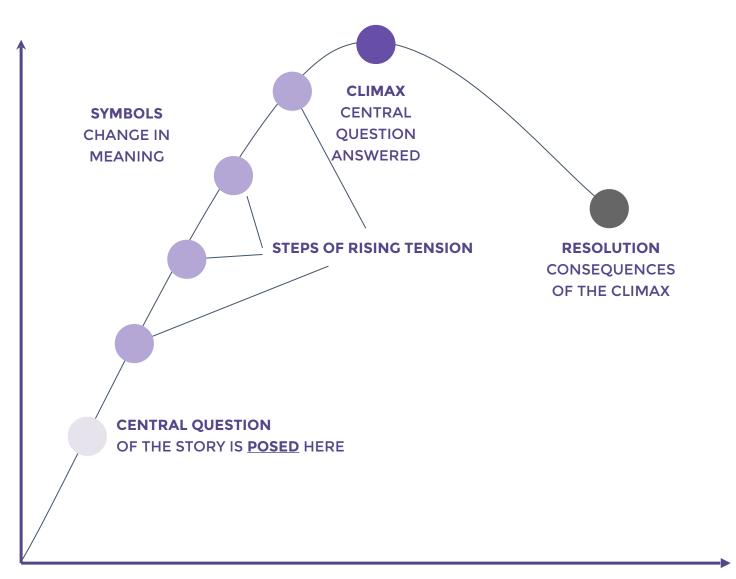
ENSION RESOLUTION CONSEQUENCES OF THE CLIMAX

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#### TIME (WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?)











### SYMBOLS

### CHARACTERS





# GROUP EXERCISE

In groups, identify & discuss the 8 essential elements you see in the video.

# **Bonus tips!**

- Good stories don't have to be chronological, we need tension, not a history lesson.
- Pick one character or a small group of characters that the action happens to. Your audience is more likely to connect to a specific individual or subset rather than a broad group.
- Don't underestimate the power of symbols.
  Symbols can make a story come to life.





## The Brexit Story Version 1

Months of debate has finally ended in Britons deciding to end their more than four decade-long stint in the EU. The UK voted to quit the European Union after more than four decades in a stunning rejection of the continent's post-war political and economic order. The pound plunged to the lowest since 1985 and Asian stocks tumbled in one of the most dramatic 24-hours in modern British history. Sterling initially soared after an opinion poll suggested that 52% of voters had backed "Remain". That rally evaporated as results started to roll in showing that investors and pollsters had miscalculated. At 5.11 am London time, BBC projections showed voters backing "Leave" by 52% to 48%.



**BBC News** 

## The Brexit Story Version 2

Sally clutched a union jack in her left hand as she, and 100 other British expats, took over an Irish pub in the centre of Amsterdam to watch the Brexit results come in. She moved from Yorkshire 4 years ago, to start a blog about food in Amsterdam. That city's British population had swollen to 50 thousand since the UK joined the EU way back in 1973. "It seems natural to call myself a European," Sally said. "I've been European all my life. I don't know what or even who I'll be come tomorrow if we lose. I won't know where to go. Back to a UK that voted for Brexit? No way. Stay here? I don't know if they'll let me. " Sally took a large swallow of ale from her pint glass, as the results trickled in.

- At midnight, remain had a big lead. Sally all smiles, waving her Union Jack. The crowd's mood, festive. Many beers consumed.
- At 2 am, remain and leave neck and neck. Sally has all the nails on her left hand firmly in between her teeth. Beer consumption stagnant.
- At 4 am, leave in the lead. Sally slumped a little over the bar. Mascara black lines framed her eyes. Her Union Jack now hangs limply from her hand.
- At 5:11 am the BBC calls the referendum: 52% percent of voters have chosen to leave the EU.

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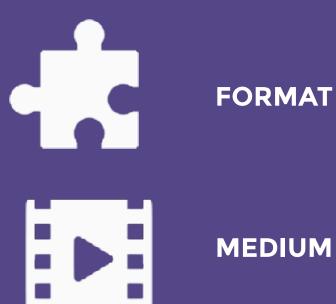
• At 5:12 am the pound plummeted to its 1985 value. Asian stocks tumbled. Panic ensued at the market worldwide.

At 5:15 am, the pub was empty. Sally's Union Jack stands in the centre of a puddle of beer. It has fallen to half-mast and...it is alone. The next day, Sally applied for Dutch citizenship.

Jonathan Groubert



## **CONTENT CREATION**

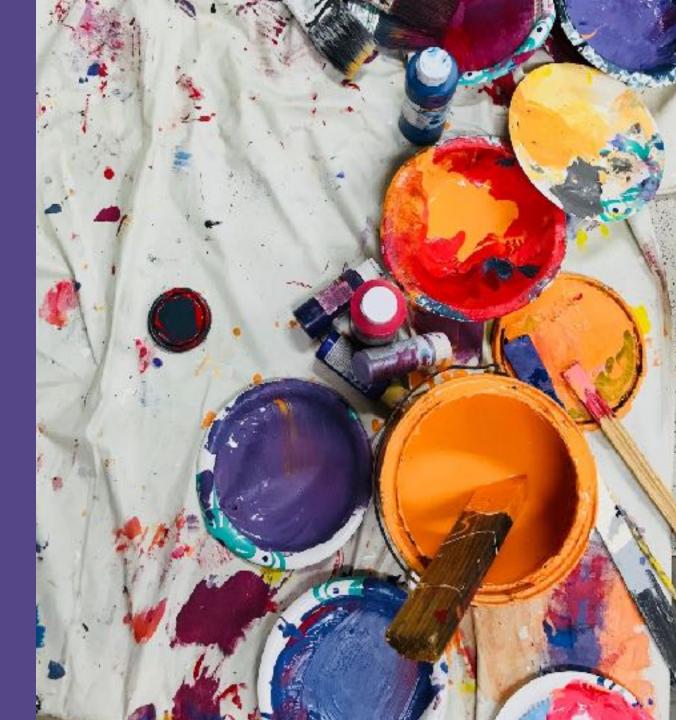


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MEDIUM









# A format is a unique way to tell a story.

It describes how the tension is created.

## Think of each format as a different colour.

To create your work, you can use one colour or you can use a combination of colours.









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GROUP **EXERCISE** 

There are essentially 10 ways stories can be presented to an audience.

- In groups, see if you can identify the 10 formats. They are commonly used in television, radio, print.
- Think about your favorite shows, what kind of shows do you enjoy? Can these be put into a category?



- Drama
- Testimonial
- Interview
- Discussion
- Demonstration







- Drama
- Testimonial
- Interview
- Discussion
- Demonstration

- Magazine
- Report
- Actuality
- Montage
- Game



## 10 formats & what makes them unique



Magazine:	Lifestyle	Medical	Sport	Historical	Investigative	Gossip
Report:	News	Business	Political	Current Affairs	Travel	Fashion
Game:	Reality game	Dating game	Quiz Game	Talent competition	Survival	Sports
Actuality:	Live Sports	Political Speeches	Breaking news	Events/Riots	Disasters	Hidden Camera
Montage:	Fly on the wall	Music Video	Sketch show	Sports Highlights	Wildlife	Title sequences
Drama:	Comedy	Horror	Stage play	Action	Reconstructions	Fantasy
Testimonial:	Religious	Advertising	Eye-witness	Endorsement	Political speech	Weather
Interview:	Expert	On the street	Personality Profile	Group	Exploratory	Informative
Discussion:	Educational	Political	Women's Views	With Children	Dinner Party	Panel
Demonstration:	Cooking	Do it Yourself	Dance/Exercise	Education	Sports	Gardening







# Which of these formats are your favourites? Which do you use the most?





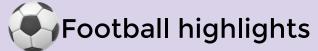
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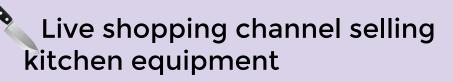
## WHAT FORMATS ARE USED?





Big Brother (Reality TV)







Pop song video



President's address to the nation



### Cinema film trailer



Chat show with celebrity guests



Press conference



Stand-up comedy



Parliamentary debate



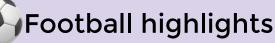
### ANSWERS

### Radio Phone-in

Magazine of phone interviews

### Big Brother (Reality TV)

Game (with interview, testimony, montage)



Magazine of football reports

Live shopping channel selling kitchen equipment



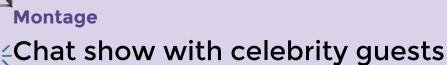
Actuality, magazine of demonstrations Pop song video



Montage President's address to the nation

Testimony







Magazine of interviews Press conference



Testimony followed by (group) interview Stand-up comedy

Drama, testimony Parliamentary debate

Live, actuality discussion











In groups, divide the formats into those that excel at generation **emotion** and those that are good at sharing **facts**.

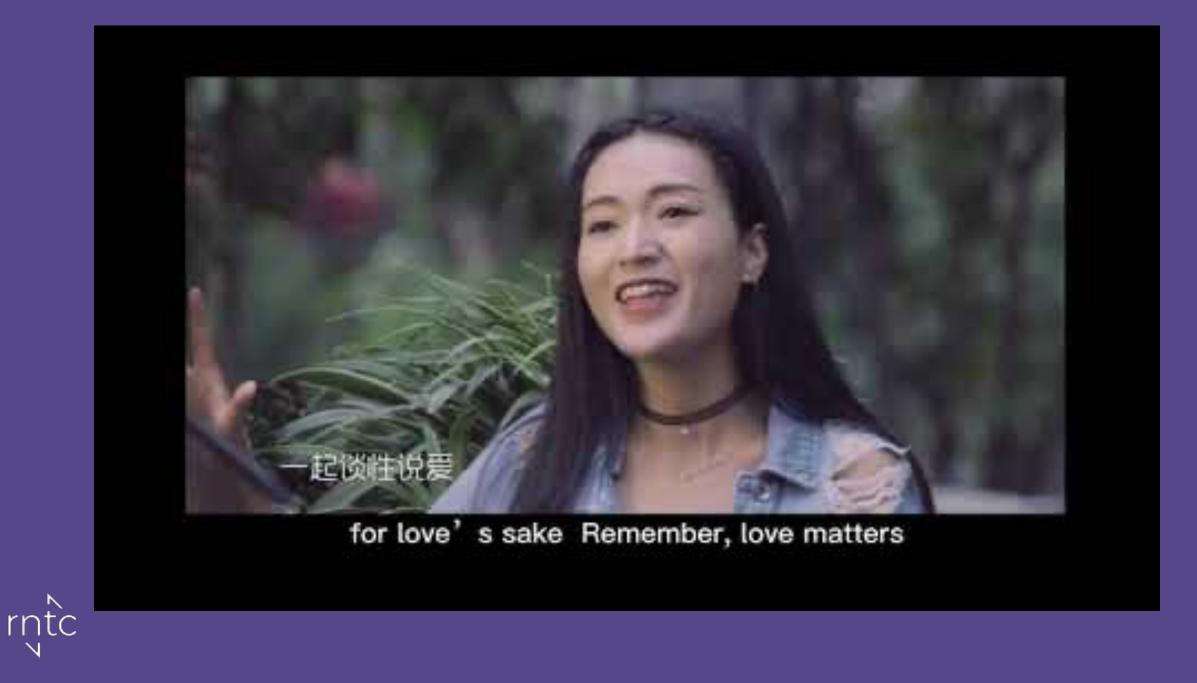
You may also put them somewhere in the middle

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# **TYPES OF MEDIA**

VIDEO	AUDIO	PRINT/ TEXT	VISUAL	ON THE GROUND
Animation Short Videos Vlogs Long Form Montages Immersive VR Live Broadcasts	Podcasts Radio Sound Bites Audio Notes Songs Jingles Themes	Articles Written Reports Essays Typography Idea Clouds Blogs Tweets Lists Surveys	Graphics Photos Photo Essays Charts Graphs	Meetings Interviews Press Releases Events Flash Mobs Graffiti Takeovers Theatre/Plays Town Halls Demos/Strikes





# **DRIVING SRHR ENGAGEMENT**

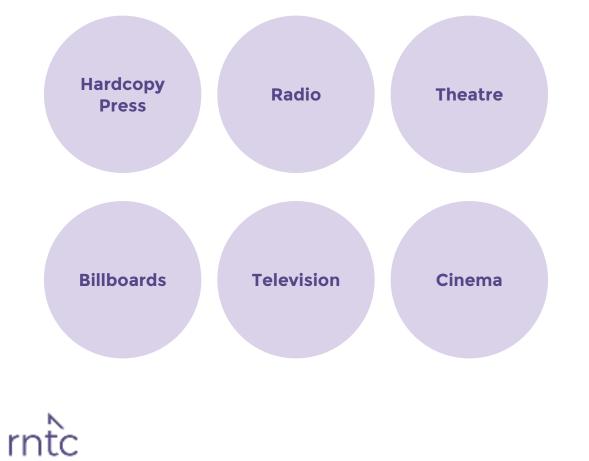
### Why do these media work well?







# TRADITIONAL CHANNELS

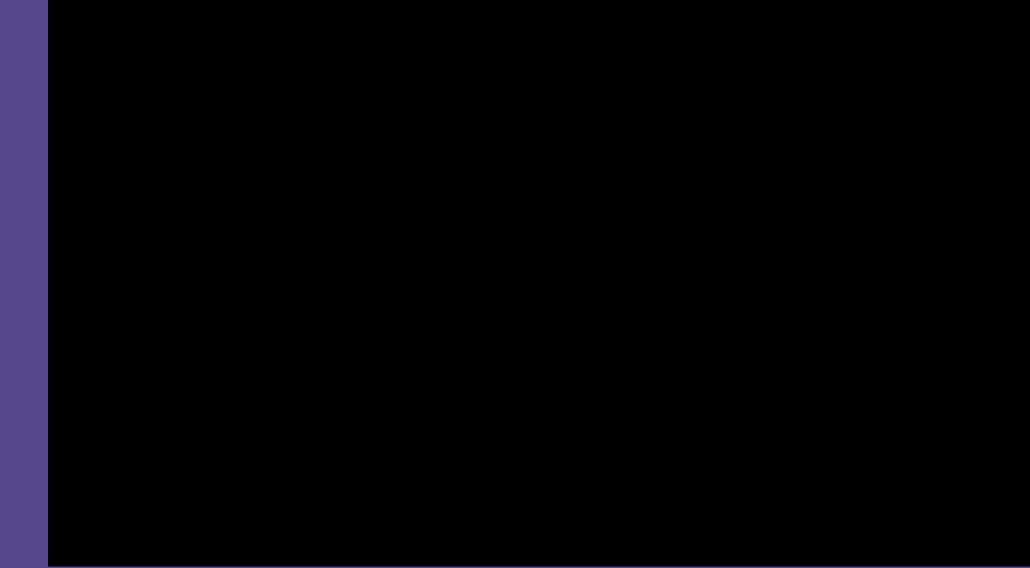




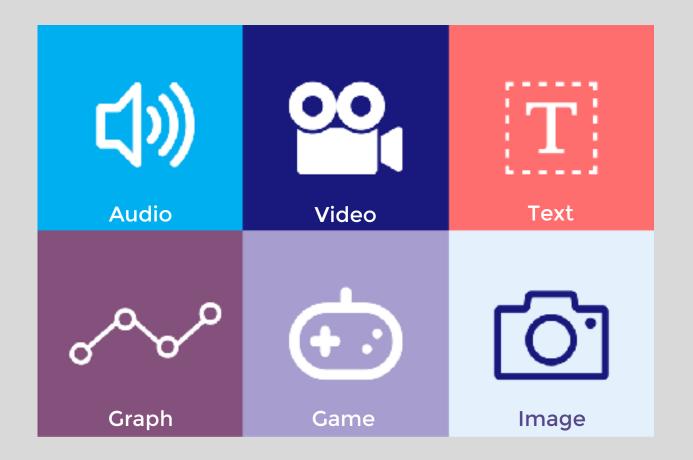
# NEW MEDIA CHANNELS







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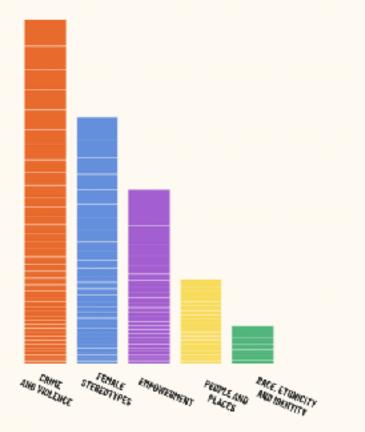
# **Multimodality**

By using different media types, multimodality is a form of communication that combines images, text, audio, etc. to create a universe of meaning.



Finally, insights can be generated by comparing frequencies between themes. Here, each **word t** is as high as the number of times it is used, and stacked upon other words in the same theme. As it turns out, for every occurrence of an empowering word, we read two words of crime and violence.

#### Words used in headlines about women Arranged by theme and sized by frequency



#### "Women in headlines"

The Pudding made a visual essay to demonstrate how women are portrayed in media. A combination of words, images, and graphs was used.





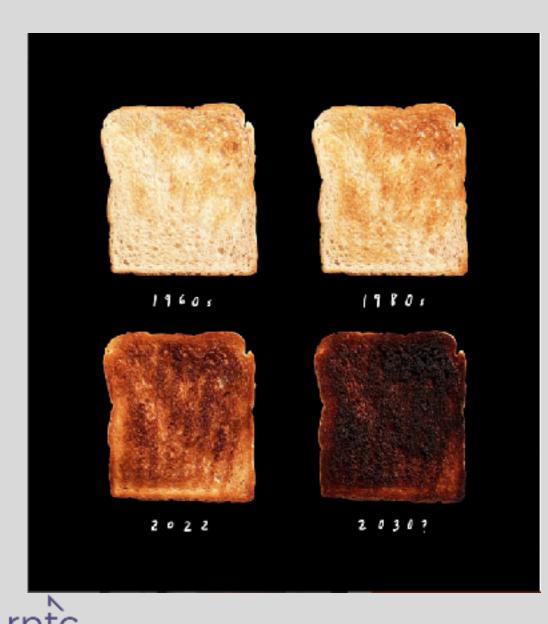
Preguntamos a varias mujeres... CÓMO ES PARA TI UN ORGASMO?

> Y estas fueron sus respuestas:

How does an orgasm feel for you?

Pictoline asked several people how did they experience orgasms and then made an animation video with text on TikTok to represent the answers.

**HPICTOLIN** 





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nytopinion O Climate change is not negotiable — and the time to act is now, writes the Times editorial board. "The threat posed by climate change to Americans' lives and livelihoods is urgent and severe, and it requires significantly more commitment from those who are elected to protect them," the board adds. And without congressional backing, President Biden has fewer tools to achieve his goals. His best course of action? "Take the same regulatory path President Barack Obarna was forced to follow after the Senate's last colossal climate failure." Click the link in our bio to read more. | % @rebchew #nytopinion

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#### "Climate change is not negotiable"

...

NY Times uses IG to share snippets of their articles in engaging ways. This uses a combination of **images, text, and #hashtags** to make a point about climate change



#### #imjustakid

4.6B visualizaciones

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Muchas cosas cambian con el tiempo menos tú, imuéstranos cómo recreas esa foto favorita de tu infancial





Remaking our baby photo...

9 years later and just as a...

l can't tell a difference😂 ...

mmmjoemele 🗸

#### "#ImJustaKid"

TikTok has a trend in challenges: games, music, and images are used to create user-generated content. This challenge #imjustakid invites people to recreate childhood pictures as adults.





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Go to **menti.com**, enter the code [xxxxxxx] and answer the following question:

What is your key takeaway from this session?

# ASSIGNMENT

Develop your story and choose your format, medium & channel







# Thank you!

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