**Ethics: Practice Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Make quick judgements about these legal and ethical questions. Briefly explain your decision and thoughts or reasoning. (Use your notes sheet for help.)

1. You are writing an article about a local fun center that recently opened. The manager says she will give you a free pass, and free refreshments when you come in to do the review. Would you accept the offer or not? Explain.
2. You are writing a sports article about the girls’ volleyball team. You don’t have enough time to interview the girls, so you write down the questions and you give them to one of the team members to hand out to the girls. Is this a good solution or not? Explain.
3. You are writing an article about the boys’ rugby team. You are having a hard time meeting up with the team members during school hours, so you decide to give them a call at home. Is this a good solution or not? Explain.
4. You are writing an article about the Winter Formal Dance. You never see Ms. Pednaud or the grads who were involved with the planning, but your best friend does. She volunteers to do the interview for you. What would you say? Explain.
5. The last school event was a flop. Your best friend happened to be in charge of organizing it. Another student on the newspaper staff wants to write an opinion article criticizing the event and the lack of organization involved. What would you do? Explain?
6. You are writing an articles about students and alcohol abuse. For Planning 10 last week, Mr. Biel invited a student who is a recovering alcoholic to talk to your class. You take notes during the talk and decide to include the student in your article. Is this your lucky day, or are you creating trouble for yourself? Explain.
7. You are writing an article about drugs and teens. One student says, “Drugs are for thugs!” Another student says, “Drugs are for losers!” Then, a third student says, “Drugs suck!” Would you include these quotes? Explain.
8. You are writing an article about the quality of teaching that goes on at Chatelech. A student says, “All teachers suck!” Would you include this quote? Explain.
9. You are writing an article who – legally – work too much. One student says she works at YIG 40 hours a week. Could you use this information or not? Explain.
10. Another journalist in the class is writing an article about school dances. The student has the quote from a source: “Dancing is for f---!” The student doesn’t think the editor-in-chief will allow it in the paper, and he decides to change it to “Dancing is for jerks.” The student then asks you what you think about the change. What is your response? Explain.
11. In an article on a Student Council meeting, the student newspaper reports that Student A voted against a resolution. When the story appears, Student A says she did not vote against the resolution; in fact, she voted for it. What should the newspaper do?
12. Nickelback holds a free concert in Sechelt. A student reporter writes a negative reviews, the performers as untalented, and saying the show was a waste of money. Angered, the musicians sue the paper for libel. Who would win the case? (Legally) Explain.
13. While conducting research for an article, you read a national magazine about the same topic. One paragraph of the article appeals to you, so you copy and paste it into your article without quotation marks, the name of the magazine, or credit to the original author. Ms. Legault says you flunked the assignment. What happened? Is it fair?
14. You are a sportswriter for the school newspaper. After a hard-fought, close basketball game where Chatelech loses, you interview the coach. He is angry about the loss, and in your interview, he uses profanity. Should you quote him? Explain.
15. Over the weekend, a terrible car accident occurred and a member of a student’s family was killed. The other driver is another student at your school. Is it okay for the school newspaper to run a news article reporting on the situation? What about a feature article that mentions no specifics about the accident but instead reviews safe driving techniques? Explain.