# Factory floor Reporting constructively



**Handout**

**Tips for constructive reporting**

* Report the FULL truth, including examples of resilience, post-traumatic growth, positive emotions and accomplishments.
* Report on responses to problems as well as problems.
* Abandon pre-conceived narratives – look for the new and unexpected.
* Embrace nuance and context. Steer away from black and white.
* Change your mindset and framing – “Not all news is bad news; not only bad news is news.”
* Facilitate open-minded debates.
* When writing, balance positive and pessimistic styles.
* Include diverse voices.
* Talk to those affected by problems, not just those causing them or trying to solve them.
* Avoid looking for the most extreme example, the most outlandish quote. Are those representative?
* Learn the history of the issue, tell your audience about it.
* Turn down the volume: fewer horrific scenes, less traumatization, less sensation.
* Don’t neglect narratives of resistance, solidarity and compassion while being independent, critical and realistic.

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