

Daily Curriculum – April 24

Media Literacy Question of the Day:

How might news coverage of a world leader's trip differ between media in his or her own country and media in the host countries?

Key Concepts: Identify or explain these subjects you heard about in today's show:

1. national sovereignty
2. canonization
3. Wrigley Field

Fast Facts: How well were you listening to today's program?

1. What four countries are scheduled stops for President Obama's trip to Asia? According to the video, what kinds of concerns do some of these countries have regarding China? How did the president respond to the question of disputed islands between Japan and China?
2. What is canonization? What two popes are about to be canonized on the same day? Why is this historically significant? According to the report: What are some possible reasons why the current pope will canonize these two former popes on the same day? How might many Catholics respond to this event?
3. What team plays its home games at Wrigley Field? What milestone birthday is the park celebrating this year? What are some of the moments of joy and heartbreak that fans have experienced at Wrigley Field? How is history present almost everywhere at the park? Who are some of the players and personalities that have been associated with Wrigley Field?

Discussion Questions:

1. What is meant by the term "national sovereignty"? Why do you think that this is an important principle for governments? How is sovereignty factored into some recent news stories? What tensions surrounding the issue of sovereignty exist in each case?
2. Why do you think that presidents often travel to other countries? What might world leaders discuss on these trips? Do you think that these trips are effective? If so, why? If not, why not?
3. How might a sports venue contribute to a community's history and culture? How might a sports venue be an important backdrop for one's personal history? Have you ever visited a sports arena or park that held special meaning for you? If so, why is that place a part of your personal story?