Artefact 2
Media Literacy and Stereotypes

Aboriginal-produced newspapers and magazines provide valuable insight into First Nation, Metis, and Inuit community life and offer a different perspective on issues facing all Canadians. In addition to these important benefits, publications created and operated by Aboriginal people give Aboriginal journalists the means to combat stereotypes while painting an authentic alternative contemporary picture of Aboriginal people in Canada. Examples of Aboriginal newspapers published in Ontario are Two-Row Times, owned and operated by Aboriginal people and published at the Grand River Territory of the Six Nations in southern Ontario, and the Anishinabek News, a tabloid format newspaper designed to inform Anishinabek Nation citizens about the initiatives and activities of the Union of Ontario Indians and provide a sampling of indigenous current affairs stories from around the globe. Aboriginal magazines published in Ontario include Windspeaker, with national Aboriginal news coverage, and Ontario Birchbark, which focuses exclusively on Ontario.