



Class in Session

with Jeb Bush

Lessons in Media & Sports with Jim Nantz

Teacher's Guide

[Class in Session with Jeb Bush](#) (#ClassWithJeb) is a series of video conversations with the visionaries of today. Created specifically for secondary school students and relevant for the classroom, these 20-minute virtual conversations—hosted by former Florida Governor Jeb Bush—draw out personal and professional experiences and, especially important, elicit advice for America's next generation from leaders across the nation.

VIDEO

[WATCH: Lessons in Media & Sports with Jim Nantz](#)



Jim Nantz, CBS Sports Commentator, shares insights from his long-time career as a sports broadcaster and the significant role that sports play in American society.

PROMPTS FOR STUDENTS

As you watch the video, think about the following:

- How did Jim pursue mentors? How did his mentors impact his life?
- Jim dreamt about working for CBS when he was a student. How did he work toward that goal?
- When Jim talks about sports, he says that interest is growing in more and more sports. Baseball, then football, and now basketball. What sport do you think will be America's favorite in 20 years?
- The preparation, for Jim, is homework. The test is the broadcast. If you nail the preparation, the test will be easy. What are you preparing for?
- Jim says that sometimes saying nothing is way more effective than just saying something. Do you think this is true?



ASSIGNMENTS FOR STUDENTS

Choose one of the following assignments in response to the video [Lessons in Media & Sports with Jim Nantz](#).

CHOICE BOARD

Lessons in Media & Sports with Jim Nantz

EXPLORE

Jim tells about the importance of mentors in his life. [Listen to Simon Sinek](#) describe what a mentor is in two minutes.

Jim was mesmerized by the way broadcasters told stories. He loves storytelling. For more on that, check out this [short article](#) on how Pixar tells stories.

Jim says that the preparation is the homework and the broadcast is the test. If you prepare, you'll nail the test. For more on how to practice effectively, check out [this 4-minute clip](#).

DISCUSS

Discuss one of the following questions with someone:

- A passion for sports is often passed from one generation to the next. What passions or interests does your family share?
- Sometimes saying nothing at all is more effective than speaking. Can you think of a time when saying nothing was more powerful than saying something?
- What makes a good story? Can you remember a time when someone older told you a story you couldn't forget?

WRITE

Select one of the following writing prompts:

- Jim Nantz says that sports are a part of the American lifestyle. Do you believe this is true?
- Storytelling is powerful. Retell a story that you really care about and share it with a friend.
- Homework is preparation. In one or two sentences, describe *what* you are preparing for. Let it sit for 24 hours. Then write at length about *how* you will prepare.

ILLUSTRATE

Choose one of the following prompts to create a piece of art, produce a video, write a song or create a dance. Send a photo or video to Jeb@ExcelinEd.org.

- "As you get older, you get more reflective."
- Preparing for your dream.
- Sports are a form of escapism.
- Sports are a part of the American lifestyle.