

Current Events Example

Paragraph One: Summary

In Tampa, Florida, Wal-Mart has just started a new prescription drug program. This program will offer prescription drugs for \$4.00 for a thirty-day supply. This will save lots of money for needy and low-income patients. Some experts say that “consumers could save an average of 20% on the cost of their prescriptions and some could save as much as 90%”. Not all drugs are covered, but Wal-Mart has about 300 of the most crucial and widely used drugs available in generic form. The program looks to go nationwide early next year. Target also announced that they would begin offering prescriptions drugs at a low cost as well.

Paragraph Two: Thoughts, feelings, opinions, reaction, connections to your life.

I am happy that a corporate giant like Wal-Mart is taking a crack at the high cost of prescription drugs. While I think this effort is self-serving on the part of Wal-Mart, needy people will benefit. Wal-Mart is trying to improve their overall image but coming across as a low cost leader. I have not forgotten about all of their mistreated employees who do not make a living wage and do not have a company sponsored health care plan. The big picture benefit that I see is that Wal-Mart, and Target have huge buying power and this will lead to increased price competition, with the overall affect of lowering prices everywhere.

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