

Prereading Questions for Selections in Chapter 16

“Amusing Ourselves to Depth: Is *The Onion* Our Most Intelligent Newspaper?” Greg Beato

- What are the differences between a tabloid and a newspaper?
- What is the purpose of “fake news”?
- How does one identify a fake news story?

“Dearly Disconnected,” Ian Frazier

- Has the sight of a particular object ever rekindled a keen emotional experience for you?
- Why do you think humans associate emotions with objects?

“Border Bites,” Heather Gianakos

- When you hear the term *southwestern cuisine*, what do you think of?
- What synonyms for *southwestern cuisine* come to mind?

“His Marriage and Hers: Childhood Roots,” Daniel Goleman

- In what ways do the communication styles of men and women differ?
- What experience have you had with miscommunication between the sexes?

“Defining a Doctor, with a Tear, a Shrug, and a Schedule,” Abigail Zuger

- What changes in the health care system have transpired in recent years?
- How has the doctor’s job changed over time? How have patients’ expectations changed?