**Explosion of the Maine Graphic Organizer Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| **Document** | **According to this article, what happened to the Maine?** | **What information is provided to support this version of the story?** | **Write a quotation that contrasts with something written in the other article.** |
| **A**  **Journal** |  |  |  |
| **B**  **Times** |  |  |  |

**New York Journal – Document A** **New York Times – Document B**

1. What date is the article written? 5.How does the date of this article compare to the date of the New York Journal

2. Why would the *Journal* use highly emotional and provocative headlines and 6. What kinds of evidence does the *New York Times* include to support its account

statements in their reporting? of the incident?

3. Upon what type of evidence does the *Journal* base its claims?7. Which document do you believe is more accurate and trustworthy? **Why?**

4. Do you believe today’s media uses sensationalism to sell their product? 8. What impact do you believe the media (newspapers etc.) has on public opinion?