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Privacy in the Age of Video Surveillance: This Is Not Your Father's Candid Camera

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The purpose of this unit is have students consider how many times a day their privacy is compromised by unseen video cameras and to have them understand that neither the 4th Amendment of the Constitution nor any statutory provision really protect them. The unit is concerned with privacy as it relates to closed circuit television used in surveillance by both government agencies and private corporations. It is intended to be used with 8th grade social studies classes but may be adapted for use with other grade levels and subject areas. It is aligned with the Reading, Writing and Speaking Content Standards of the City of New Haven.

(Recommended for Video Production, Social Studies, Reading, Writing, and Speaking, grades 7-8.)

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