

## Current Events Comprehension Questions: College Readiness Standards—Reading

### Main Ideas, Author’s Approach, and Supporting Details

**Who** conducted the study the article discusses (two names)?

**What** did the study reveal about the way grief and mourning plays out on the Internet?

**Where** did the shootings included in the study take place (two places)?

**When** did the second shooting in the study take place in relation to the first shooting?

**Why** did the researchers decide to complete this study?

**How** are the findings of the study instructive, according to Vicary?

### Sequential, Comparative, and Cause-Effect Relationships

*Below are four events that are mentioned or can be inferred from the article. Using the numbers 1, 2, 3 and 4, put these events in the chronological order so that what happened first is marked 1 and what took place last is marked 4. Note: This is not necessarily the order each is mentioned in the article.*

\_\_\_ A. The researchers analyzed their results and published their findings.

\_\_\_ B. A shooting took place on the Virginia Tech Campus.

\_\_\_ C. The researchers begin surveying students for their study.

\_\_\_ D. A shooting took place at Northern Illinois University.

### Meanings of Words

*Using context clues, define each of the words below as best as you can. The words appear here in the order they occur in the article.*

Solace

Discernible

Memorialize

Detrimental

### Generalizations and Conclusions

How might the online behaviors mentioned in the article help someone cope with a tragic event? Be specific.