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The Pillars of Democracy: The Vital Role of Journalism

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. One specific example is investigative journalism uncovering a government corruption scandal, leading to public outrage and legal action against those responsible.
2. Ethical responsibilities of journalists include truthfulness, accuracy, fairness, avoiding conflicts of interest, and respecting the privacy of individuals.
3. Citizens can support responsible journalism by subscribing to credible news sources, promoting media literacy, and holding news outlets accountable for accurate and unbiased reporting.
4. One example is the spread of false information about a public health crisis, leading to panic and misinformation. Responsible journalism could have fact-checked and provided accurate information to counteract the impact of misinformation.

