**National Public Radio: a great source of information**

**and listening practice**

National Public Radio (NPR) gets most of its funding (money) from donations from ordinary people. There are no commercials or corporate sponsors. If you go upstairs from CELOP to the 3rd floor, you will find one of Boston’s NPR stations, WBUR (90.9 on the radio).

For homework, I would like you to find a story to listen to (not very long – maybe 3-5 minutes) on a subject that interests you.

1. Go to **www.npr.org**.

2. Find the search symbol on the upper right-hand side (to the right of “shop”) and click on it.

3. Type in a topic that interests you (*architecture, advances in medicine, travel ban*, etc.). You will see a list of stories. Click on All Programs (upper right) and click on either ***Morning Edition*** or ***All Things Considered***, and then click on the search symbol. Those are two radio shows that are on every day. You will see a list of stories. Find one that is not too long (really, not longer than 5 minutes). Listen to it 3 or 4 times **WITHOUT** reading the transcript. Take notes.

4. Now you can read the transcript while listening to the story.

5. Prepare to give a 2-minute (really, really, really only 2 minutes) presentation to our class next Friday explaining the story to the class.

\*\*\*\*USE YOUR OWN WORDS!!!!!!!\*\*\*\*

People will understand you if…..

* you use words that YOU know
* you speak slowly and clearly
* you make eye contact with your audience
* you DON’T read from a script

If you use some words from the story that you didn’t know before, give the definition to the class before your presentation.