Article Annotation Guide

C...circle unfamiliar words and then use context clues to define them
A...acknowledge confusion, wrestle with it, then write what you figure out
T...talk with the text: agree/disagree/relate/connect
C...capture the main idea and write it in your own words
H...highlight anything worth remembering, writing about, or discussing.

**Miley Cyrus' VMA performance: Media react in shock**

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Miley Cyrus did her best to shock the audience of the 2013 MTV Video Music Awards on Sunday night, and according to most, she succeeded. Whether she was stripping to her underwear, grinding on a foam finger or twerking with giant teddy bears, Cyrus left jaws on the floor (though not in a good way.)

Media reaction to Cyrus' bump-and-grind veered between disgust and sadness.

On MSNBC, "Morning Joe" co-anchor Mika Brzezinski was not amused by the performance at all. After showing a clip of the performance coming out of a commercial, Joe Scarborough and the other panelists were joking about it, but not Brzezinski, who called it "really, really disturbing."

She went on: "That young lady, who is 20, is obviously deeply troubled, deeply disturbed. Probably has confidence issues, probably an eating disorder. And I don't think anybody should have put her up on stage. That was disgusting."

The crew on "Fox & Friends" also trashed the performance, with guest co-host Anna Kooiman commenting on the performance: "This was just raunchy. This wasn't sexy. There wasn't any talent."

1. What is the main idea of the article? Give textual evidence to support your answer.
2. According to the article, why was Miley’s performance so disturbing? What does the author claim this says about society? Give textual evidence to support your answer.
3. Do you think Miley should be getting this much attention for her performance? Why do you think she is getting so much attention?