## LIGHTS, CAMERA, MEDIA LITERACY! AUDIO ESSAY

1) In your group, discuss the seven character traits just reviewed and determine at least one example of each trait for deForest, Armstrong, and Sarnoff.
2) Choose the examples you want to use in your personal essay.
3) Write a personal essay that incorporates the following:
a) an introductory paragraph that includes the name of the documentary (EMPIRE OF THE AIR), the filmmaker's name (KEN BURNS), the subject matter (EARLY RADIO), the seven character traits, and the names of the three men;
<ul> <li>b) four paragraphs that address the seven traits (as listed and grouped by commas in #6 on your documentary handout);</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>c) an ending paragraph that repeats information from the introduction and then states your point of view about these three men.</li> </ul>
4) Practice reading your essay aloud with expression.
5) Record your essay as if you were a radio announcer.
6) Add the radio advertisement created by your group.