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Bill

I don't really watch a lot of television news. I mostly watch it if someone sends me a link to something they think I would be interested in.

I do read quite a few magazines and newspaper. I like the *Economist* because it provides good background knowledge. *Scientific American* is very good and so is the *New Yorker*. We get the *Washington Post*, the *Wall Street Journal*, the *Financial Times*, and the *New York Times*. I tend to read the *New York Times* and the *Wall Street Journal* online but I read the *Economist* almost entirely offline. I read *Slate* quite a bit, too. *Slate* is good because if you go there, you always find three or four things that are very interesting.

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