 Documentary and Docu-Drama

Docu-films

* use dramatisations or reenactments
* appears like a movie rather than a documentary
* presents the truth through other channels – actors

The following features below are what can be found in traditional documentaries.

| Features | Features | Features | Features |
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| Archival footage of events | Sentimental music | Old photographs | Interviews |
| Personal documents – diaries, letters | Newspaper clippings | Dramatizations | Political speeches |
| Narration voiceover | Black and white | Graphs/ charts | Lingering shots |
| Witnesses/ participants tell their story | Sense of both sides being told | Sound effects | Political footage |

Place the above conventions in the Venn Diagrams. What does Good Night have which we do not tend to find in a documentary?

Consider: Clooney’s manipulation of form

