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1. Based on the passage, the author would probably recommend that media consumers do which of the following?

> *By packaging intellectual positions for consumers, modern media are designed to make thinking seem unnecessary. The television viewer, the radio listener, and the Web surfer are presented with a whole complex of elements- from ingenious rhetoric to carefully selected data and statistics- to make it easy for them to 'make up their minds' about an issue. But the packaging is often done so effectively that the viewers, listeners, or Web surfers do not make up their own minds at all. Instead, these media consumers insert a packaged opinion into their minds, like a cassette into a cassette player and 'play back' this opinion whenever it seems appropriate to do so. They have performed acceptably without having had to think.*

(A) Express their opinions about the media more frequently.
(B) Rely on the media primarily for data and statistics.
(C) Adopt a more skeptical attitude towards the information and opinions offered by the media.
(D) Draw their information from television, radio, and the Web, rather than relying on just one source.
(E) Spend more time using the Internet than watching television.