

Yrs 3 & 4 English Homework (Week 6)

Using the Newspaper report planning template below, write a news piece on something interesting that you experience, witness, watch, hear or read over the weekend. Follow the structure and use the guide further below to remind yourself how to make it as interesting, useful and newsworthy to the reader.

Newspaper Report Planning Template

Headline (Powerful language to capture the reader's attention; could include alliteration or wit.)

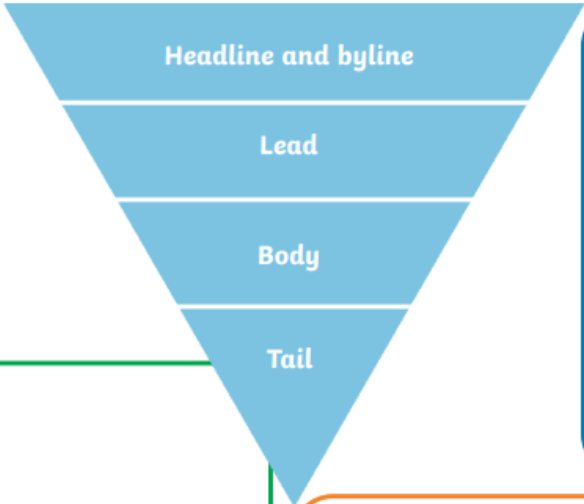
Byline (Writer's name, speciality, e.g. Sports reporter or Food correspondent.)

Lead (Opening paragraph briefly telling the reader Who? What? Where? Why? When? How?)

Body (Main part of the story that includes more information and detail. Try to include quotes from experts and witnesses.)

Tail (Recap important parts and make links to the future of the story.)

Picture and Caption (You may want to include a picture and caption here.)



Byline

Remember to include:

- The writer's name;
- Speciality, e.g. Sports reporter or Food correspondent.

Headline

- Catch the reader's attention.
- Sum up the story in a few words.
- Use powerful and interesting language.
- Written in the present tense.
- Could include alliteration or wit.

Lead

- Use past tense in most cases.
- Make the paragraph short and snappy - briefly explaining what has happened.
- Answer as many of these questions as you can – Who? What? Where? Why? When? How?

Body

Add more information and detail, including:

- background information;
- evidence;
- facts;
- quotes from people involved in or connected to the event/story.

Continue to write in order of importance, putting the most important information in the first few paragraphs of the body section.

Tail

- Additional information for the reader if they are interested in the topic.
- Links to previous news reports or useful websites.
- Include a final quote from a witness or expert to sum up the story or hint at what might happen next.