

Find out what a blog is. How do we write a blog? Why is it called a blog?

•A blog is a piece of writing. Blog is the shortened version of 'weblog'.

•A blog writer is called a 'blogger' and a blog is usually written by one blogger or a small group of bloggers.

•Blogs appear on websites or webpages. These areas are updated, often every day, to keep content fresh.

•A liveblog is written at the same time as an event that's actually happening, such as a sports match or a TV programme.

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What are the features of a blog?

A blog is usually informal in style, often as if the person is talking to you, the reader.

It aims to grab the attention of the reader from the start. One of the main features of a blog is that it needs to be relevant and topical. Therefore, blogs are a great means to communicate with people.

A blog will often begin with a table of contents or menu to give a taster of what's in the blog.

A blog will have a main section of content.

A blog will finish with a 'call to action', which indicates what the blogger would like the reader to think about or do next. Readers can post comments on a blog to take part in online discussions as part of a blogging community. In this way, a blog can bring about conversations and debates about a variety of issues and topics. Blogs are another way of informing people about an event.

- Write your blog about the vents going on in your story 'A beautiful lie'
- Write from the perspective of Bilal or one of his friends.
- What would they write in their blog if computers were available back then?

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• What information would they give to the people?

Word of the week

Discriminate

- Find out what the word means.
- Have you ever heard the word before? In which context?

Meaning:

make an unjust or prejudicial distinction in the treatment of different categories of people, especially on the grounds of ethnicity, gender, age, or disability.

Spellings for the week

- individual
- interfere
- interrupt
- language
- leisure
- lightning
- marvellous
- mischievous
- simultaneously
- robust

- Practise writing these words again and again.
 Read the spellings slowly and repeat them while writing.
- Cover the word and write it out again.
- Then use them in sentences.