



SUMMER WRITING CHALLENGE



DAY FIVE



HOLD THE FRONT PAGE

Today we'll be exploring journalistic writing and creating an article for a newspaper.

To get started, send yourself on a scavenger hunt through this example copy of First News, a brilliant newspaper for young readers or find another newspaper to hunt through.

Can you find..

- A headline
- A comic strip
- A sports report
- A puzzle
- A review
- A piece of funny or lighthearted news



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Design a front page which tells the story of one of the characters or events you've been writing about this week. It might be your transformation story, your landscape legend or a story relating to Tuesday's music challenge. Your article could be serious and dramatic or satirical and witty - it's entirely up to you.

[Look on the next page for a reminder of the elements of a newspaper front page.]

AND/OR...

Design a front page which tells the story of a moment from one of your favourite books (e.g. the slaying of the Basilisk in *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets* or the kidnapping of Sephy in *Noughts and Crosses*)



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FirstNews POSTERS

What's on the Front Page of a Newspaper?

Logo
The designed name of the newspaper.

Masthead
Information about the newspaper at the top of the front page.

Teasers
Photos and snippets of interesting stories to encourage you to buy the paper and read more.

Cover story
The leading story used on the front cover.

Standfirst
A line after the headline to give more information about the story.

Lead
The important first sentence or paragraph that summarises the story and answers as many as possible of the 5 W's (Who? What? Where? When? Why?) and H (How?).

Headline
The title of the story designed to summarise the story and grab the reader's attention.

Photo
The photograph needs to tell the story.

Body
The full details of the news story.

Advert
Companies pay for advertising space and this example is a banner advertisement as it is the whole width of the page.

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