

HOW TO WRITE DOWN A NEWSPAPER ARTICLE¹

Key Learning Points

News Report

- The key elements of a News Report are:

1. Headline

- Catches your attention
- Sums up the story



2. Byline

- Writer's name
- Writer's Specialty, e.g. sports, food, crime, current events

3. Placeline

- Where the story begins



4. Lead

- The opening section
- Gives most important information
- Should answer most of the 5W's

5. Body

- Supplies detail
- Most important details come first
- Simple true statements



6. Quotation

- What someone actually said
- Adds accuracy
- Adds "at the scene" feeling

¹ Retrieved from:

<http://schools.peelschools.org/sec/lornepark/SiteCollectionDocuments/EQAO/OSSLT%20StED-Writing%20A%20News%20Report.pdf>

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News Report - An example

