



YEAR 5 - ENGLISH - NEWSPAPER REPORT KEY KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER

Key Features

Does your newspaper report include...

the name of the newspaper?

a headline that uses a pun, rhyme or alliteration?

a sub-heading which gives a bit more information?

a 'byline' (the writer's name)?

an introductory paragraph that includes the 5 W's?

pictures with captions?

a commentary of the main events?

writing in third person and past tense?

direct and reported speech?

a conclusion paragraph to explain what might happen next?

Sentence Starters

Following the investigation,...

Late last night,...

Upon making the discovery,...

Despite all of the evidence,...

Although it may come as a surprise to our readers,...

Word Bank

alongside

alternatively

apparently

commented

concern

confirmed

considerably

damaged

described

following

identified

insider

official

recently

reported

responded

source

stated

witness

unfortunately

Punctuating Direct Speech

Use **inverted commas** at the beginning and end of direct speech.

Start the speech with a **capital letter** (unless it's the second half of broken speech).

End each piece of direct speech with a comma, full stop, question mark or exclamation mark.

Punctuation comes at the end of the speech and before the inverted commas.

Use a new line for each new **speaker**.

"This is an excellent report," remarked **Gerry**.

Linking Ideas

after

as a result of

because

before

however

meanwhile

nevertheless

once

since

therefore

while

The 5 W's

who?

what?

where?

when?

why?