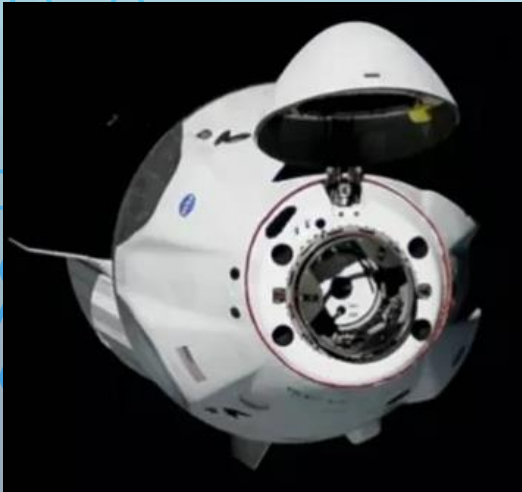


Y5 ENGLISH

WRITING - SUMMER 2 WEEK 1

1.6.20



Activity:

Write a newspaper article on the historic Space X launch from NASA's Kennedy Space Centre in Florida on May 30th 2020.



FALCON 8 SPACE X



History in
the making!

Use the following link to access video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zAtjTawE5KA>

Tour from Space: Inside the SpaceX Crew Dragon Spacecraft on Its Way to the Space Station



Use the following link to access video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=llblzbOStt4>

Remember to plan your writing first:



Planning a Newspaper Report




Name of newspaper: _____ Price: _____ Date: _____

Story headline: _____

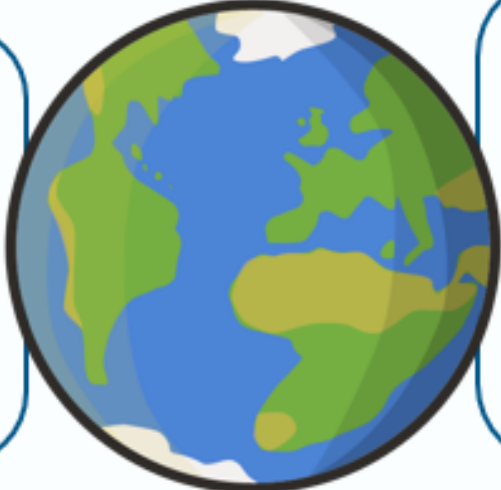
Introduction		Break up the story in time order.	
Who was involved?		Paragraph 1	
What happened?		Paragraph 2	
Where did the event take place?		Paragraph 3	
When did it happen?			
Interviews		Final paragraph	
Who will you interview? How are they involved in the events?		What are the characters doing now?	
What did they have to say? Will you use direct or reported speech?		What might happen in the future?	

Writing a newspaper article


The Essentials First



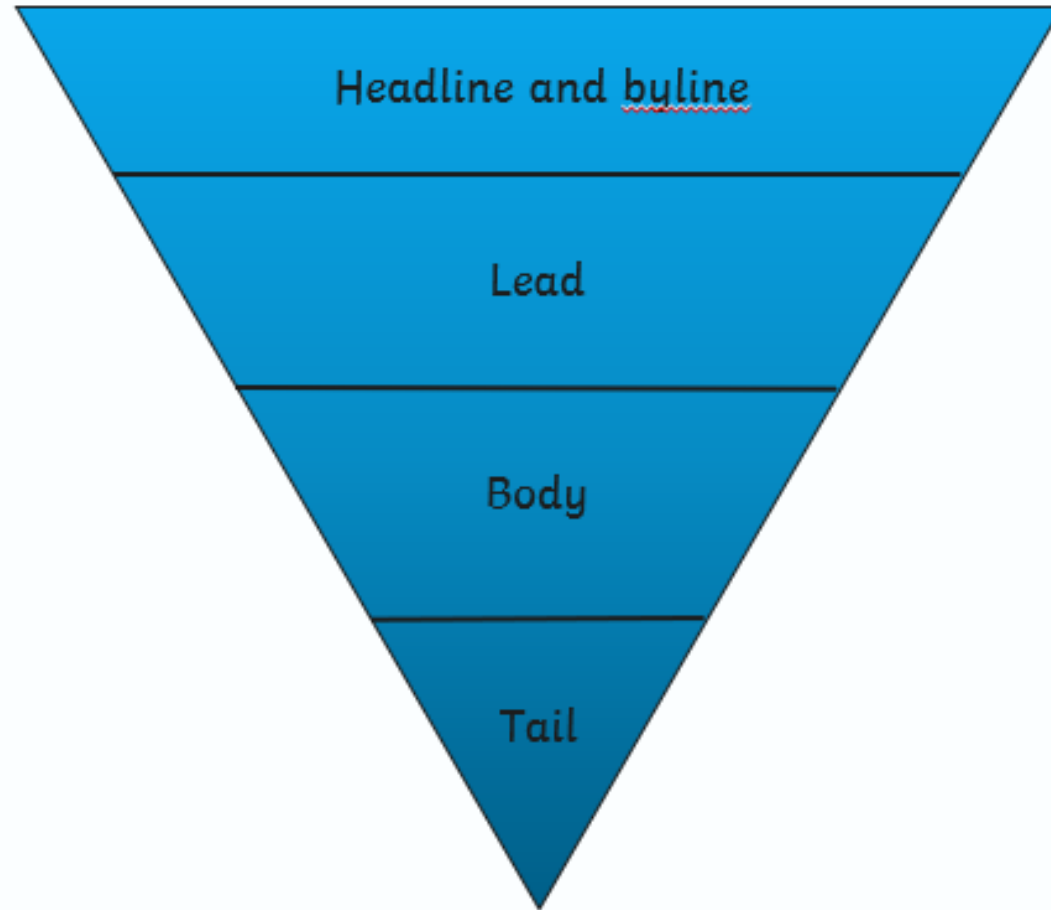
It is important that newspaper reports have **the most important information coming first**. This is called front-loading.



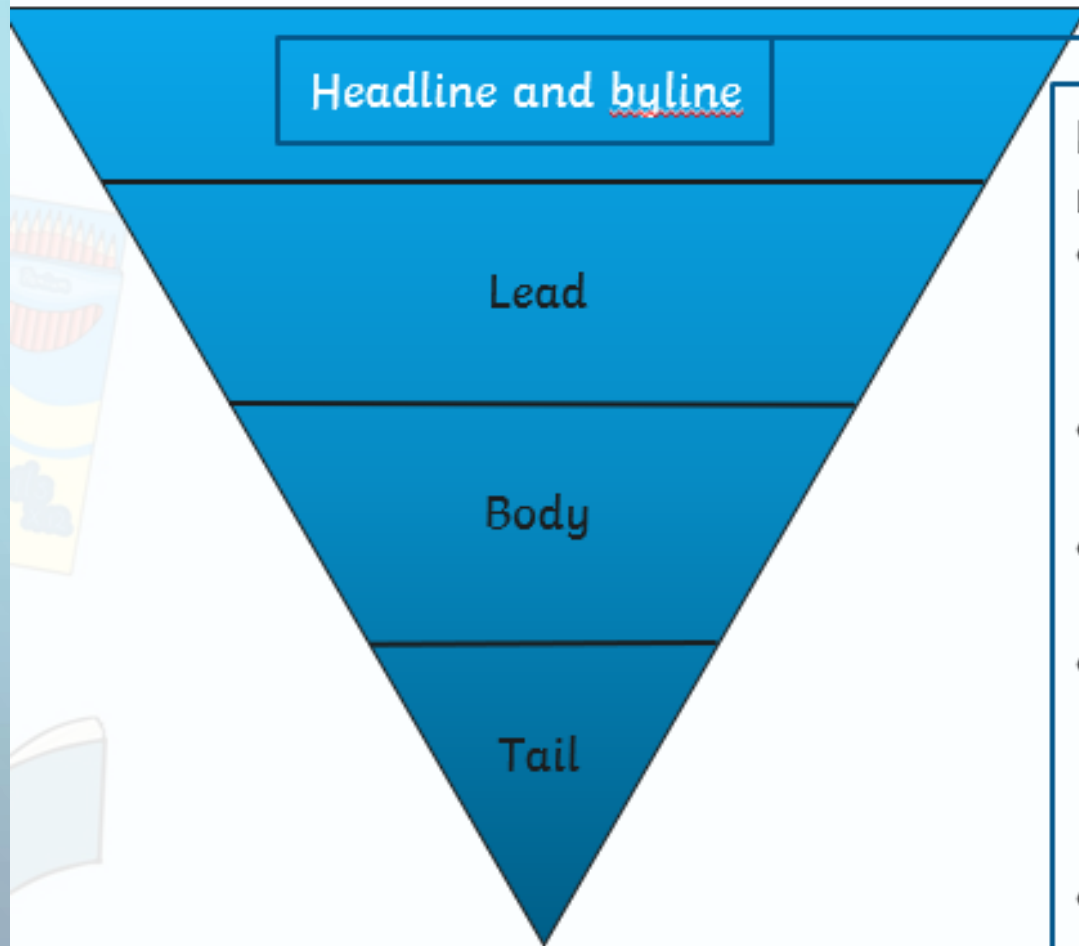
When the reader reads a newspaper report, they should be given the essential information first, so that they can decide if they wish to read more.



Structure of a newspaper report



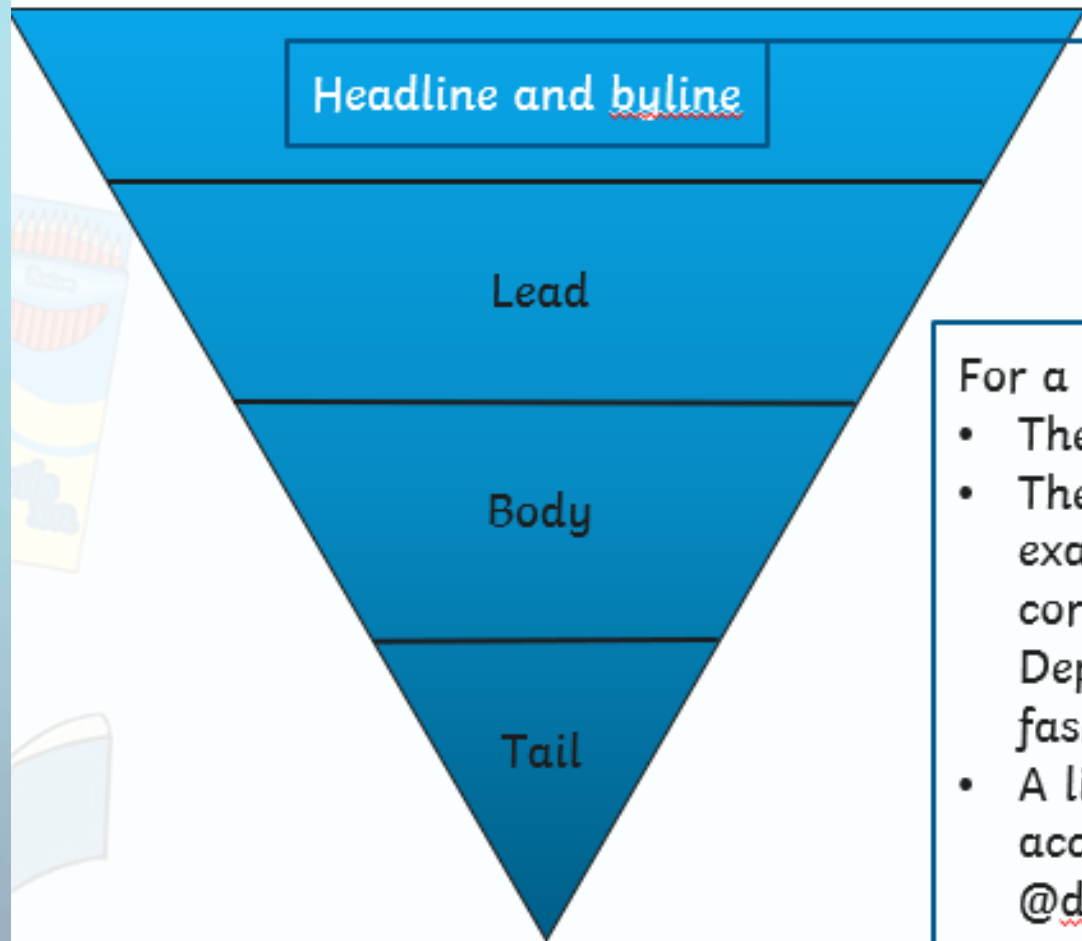
Headline



For a good headline, you need to:

- Catch the reader's attention so they want to read the rest of the report;
- Sum up the story in a few words;
- Use powerful and interesting language;
- Write in the present tense – even if the report is about an event that has already happened;
- Include alliteration or wit at times.

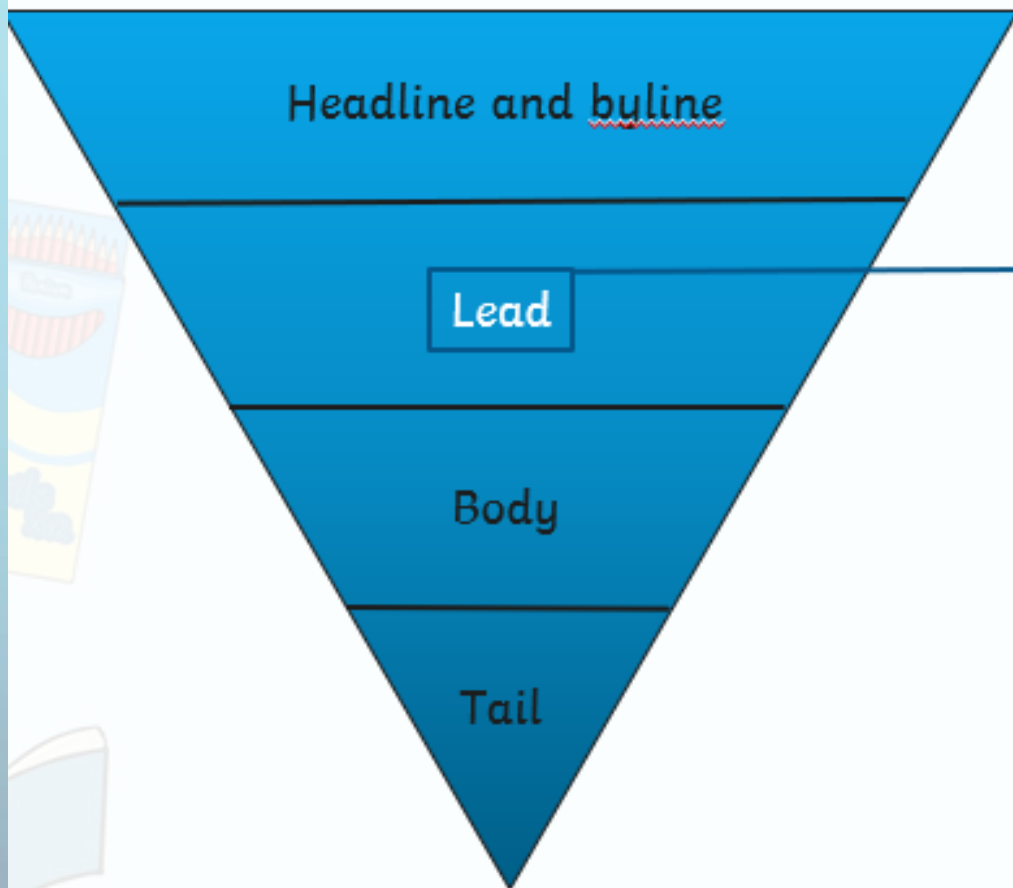
Byline



For a good byline, you need:

- The writer's name;
- The writer's speciality (for example, Sports reporter, Food correspondent, Crime editor, Deputy politic editor, Senior fashion reporter);
- A link to the writer's Twitter account (for example, @dgoodman).

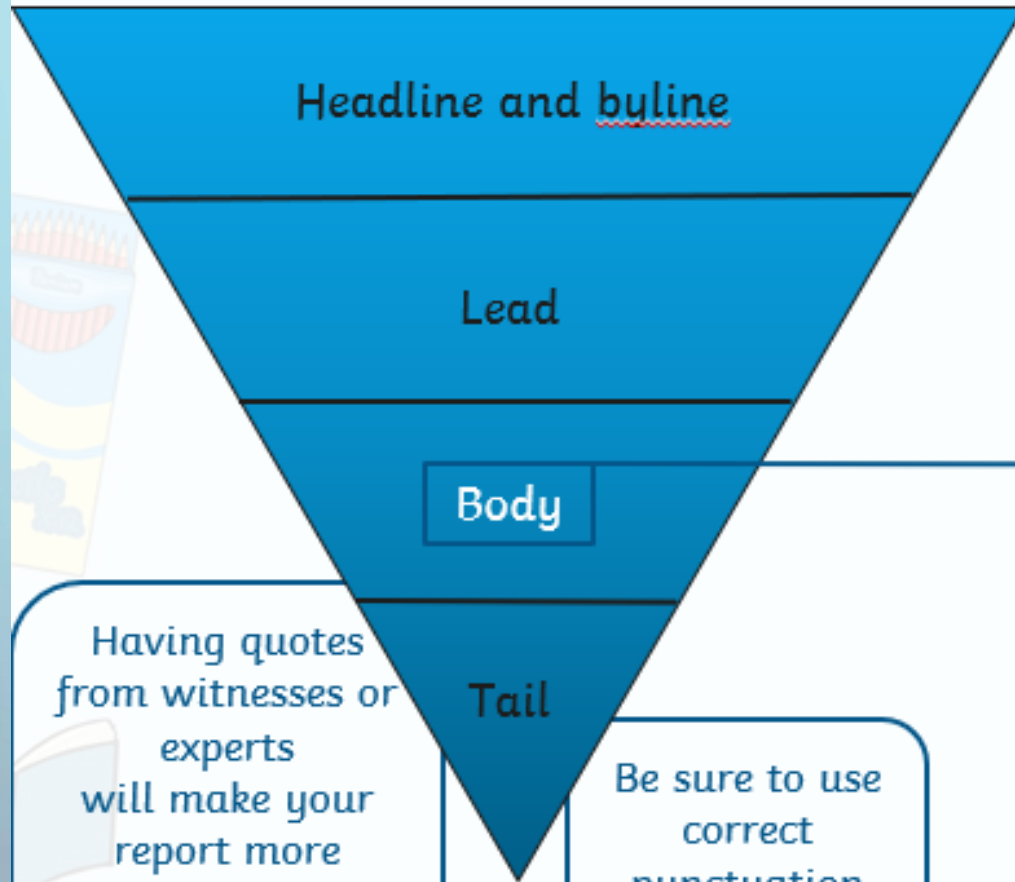
Lead



For a good lead paragraph, you need to;

- Make the paragraph short and snappy so that it briefly explains what has happened;
- Ensure that, even if the reader stopped reading at this point, they would still know roughly what happened;
- Use past tense in most cases;
- Make sure the first paragraph answers as many of these six questions as you can –
**Who? What? Where? Why?
When? How?**

Body



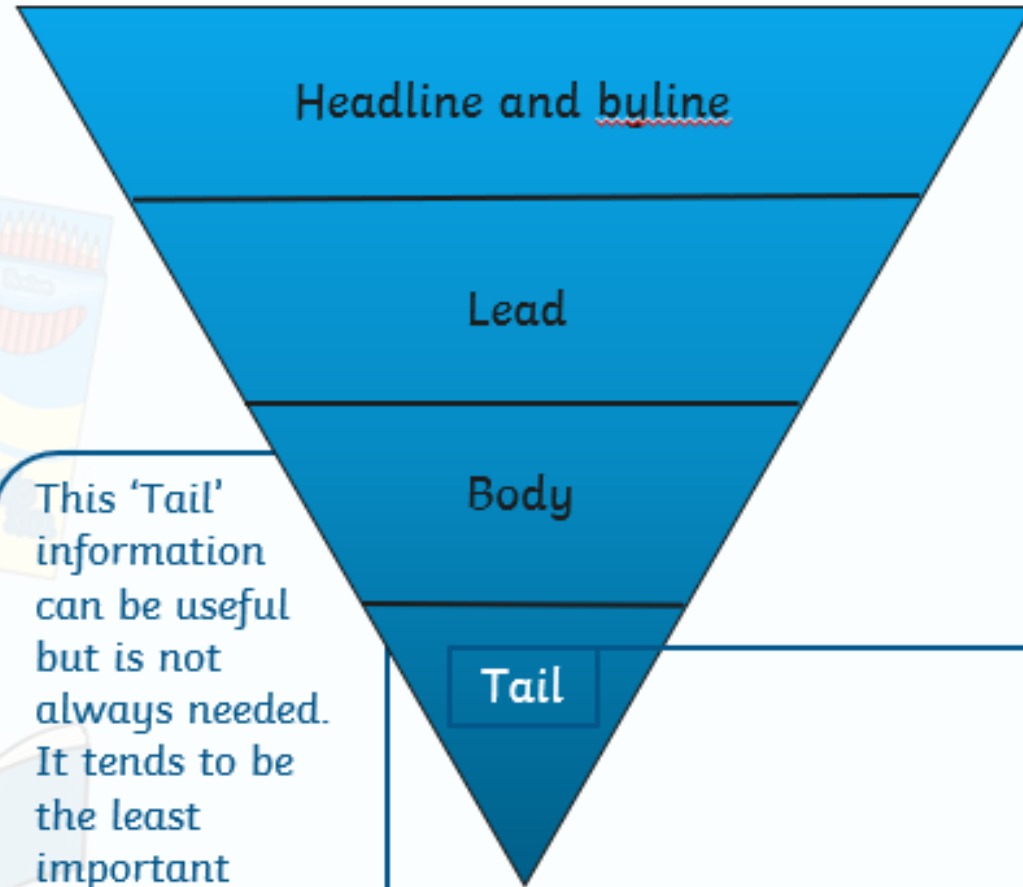
Having quotes from witnesses or experts will make your report more credible and interesting.

Be sure to use correct punctuation for quotes!

For a good body section, you need to:

- Add more information and detail to your lead paragraph;
- Include background information, evidence, facts and 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



This 'Tail' information can be useful but is not always needed. It tends to be the least important information in the report.

For a good tail section:

- Give the reader the opportunity to gain additional information if they are particularly interested in the topic of the news report;
- Include links to previous news reports or useful websites;
- Include a final quote from a witness or expert that helps to sum up the story or that could hint at what might happen next.

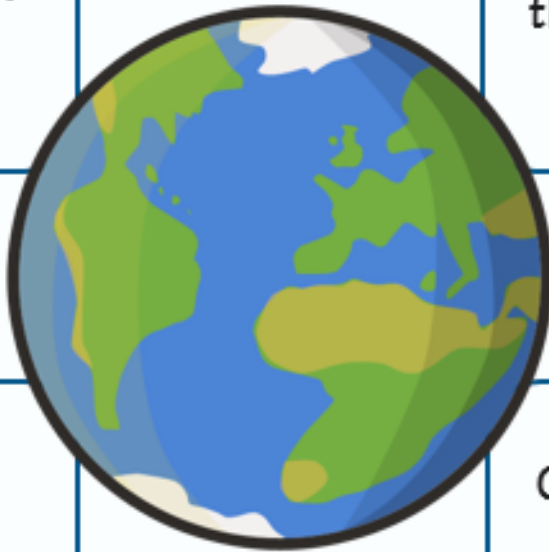
Get It Right!

For a GREAT newspaper report you need to:

Keep your most important information near the top of the report;



Keep your sentences short and punchy, so that the report is interesting to your reader;



Cut out the less important sections from the bottom of the report if it ends up being too long;



Check your spelling and your facts...and check them again!

Features of a Newspaper Report Checklist

How many of the following features can you spot in the newspaper report?

Features	✓ / X
The name of the newspaper	
A headline that uses a pun, rhyme or alliteration	
A subtitle which gives a bit more information about what the report is about	
The reporter's name	
An introductory paragraph containing the 5 Ws (what, where, when, who, why)	
Information about the main events presented in chronological order	
Pictures with captions	
Written in the third person and in the past tense	
Direct and reported speech	
Formal language	
Rhetorical Questions	
A conclusion paragraph to explain what might happen next	

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The background features a light blue gradient with decorative circuit-like lines in the corners. These lines are composed of thin blue lines and small circles, resembling a stylized network or data flow diagram. They are positioned in the top-left, top-right, bottom-left, and bottom-right corners of the slide.

Good luck with your writing

Please send us some examples

**Mrs Wilson, Mrs Ashley
& Mr Lambert**