

English lesson 2 LO: To group information into paragraphs

Task 1

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A giant panda eating bamboo.

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Find the key features of the information text -
Title
Sub heading
Captions
Diagram
Text
Interesting fact

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Notice how each text is different. The information sheet has sub-headings and pictures. The non-chronological report has paragraphs. Think about how we group information into paragraphs. Each paragraph tells us different, new pieces of information. Extra information has also been added.

Read through the text above and underline the extra pieces of information.