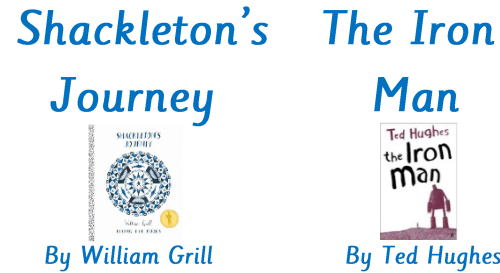


Year 4 Red Kites

English

Summer 1



Newspaper Report

A newspaper report is a news story found in newspapers and are designed to provide people with information about what is happening in the world. News is new information and is usually about something that has just happened. All news reports follow a certain structure and have the same key features.

Features of Newspaper Reports

Headline	The title of the story designed to summarise the story. It should be short and snappy to grab the reader's attention.
By Line	The journalist who has written the report.
Photograph	This needs to tell the story.
Caption	Explains the picture.
Lead or Orientation	The important first sentence or opening paragraph that summarises the story and answers as many as possible of the 5 W'S (Who? What? Where? When? How?)
Body	The newspaper body includes all the details of the news story and should be split in paragraphs to help the reader digest the information.
Direct Quotation	Exact words someone uses.
Columns	The vertical blocks of text into which a page of a newspaper is divided.

	Key Vocabulary	Definition
Shackleton's Journey	apprehensive	To be fearful of what may be coming.
	exhilarated	Very happy, excited or elated.
	expedition	A journey or trip undertaken for a specific reason.
	explicit	Clear in meaning with no doubt as to the meaning.
	journalist	A person whose job is to collect and write about news.
	perspective	The way you see something.
	précis	A short account of something which gives the important points but not details.
	predict	To tell in advance what might happen.
	selective	Taking care to select only the best.
	tundra	A large, barren region with no trees.
The Iron Man	astronomers	Expert in or student of stars, planets and space.
	blissful	Extremely happy, full of joy.
	brink	The extreme edge of land before a steep slope or a body of water.
	colossal	Extremely large or great.
	constellation	Group of stars forming a recognisable pattern.
	harrow	Equipment used for breaking up and smoothing out soil.
	hillock	Small hill or mound.
	infrared	Rays like light but although we cannot see it, we can feel it as heat.
	jolt	Push or shake abruptly.
	pedestals	The base or support on which a statue is kept.
sheer	Incredibly steep, almost vertical.	
torso	The trunk of the human body (ribs, navel etc.).	
unfurled	Spread out from a rolled or folded state.	

Formal Letter

Sender's address
 Address of the recipient
 Greeting - Dear Sir/Madam.
 An introduction.
 Formal sentence starters such as 'I am writing to inform you'.
 Details organised into paragraphs.
 A conclusion saying what needs to happen next.
 Signing off - yours faithfully/ sincerely
 Your name at the end.

Informal Letter

- Address
- Date
- Salutation (Greeting)
- Main body of letter can be further sub-divided to include:
 - greetings
 - informal language
 - reason for writing
 - conclusion
- signature of sender/writer

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z2qq4xs>

Mystery Story

A mystery story is usually a story where a crime is committed or a surprise event occurs. Often, the main character will try to solve the mystery using clues. However, sometimes clues may lead the character away from the truth; this is called a red herring. Other features include a clear motive, A "closed" setting (A confined, atmospheric location like a school, train, or isolated house that restricts suspects), and a logical, surprising ending where the case is solved. The main character (often a child) uses observational skills, logic, and intelligence to investigate the case. Include suspense and atmosphere by using descriptive language to create tension, mystery, and a slightly ominous mood.