



# Daily News

## My Newspaper Article Checklist

- Grabbing headline   
(alliteration, pun?)
- 5 W's in 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph   
(who, what, why, where, when)
- Interesting vocabulary   
(exciting verbs, adventurous adjectives)
- Punctuation and paragraphs   
(Capital letters, full-stops, commas, exclamation marks)
- Openers and connectives   
(Complex sentences, When.. If.. As..)
- Quotation and speech marks   
(Witness comment)

### Sentence openers:

#### Using indirect speech (no speech marks needed)

- He reported that ...
- He also claimed that ...
- He went on to state that ...
- He confirmed that ...
- She claimed that ...
- He disputed that ...
- She refused to accept that ...
- He agreed that ...
- He went on to tell us that ...
- He continued by informing us that ...
- In addition to this ...
- He also spoke of how ...
- He refused to accept that ...
- He reputed ...

- He emphasised . . .
- He continued by . . .
- A spokesman stated that . . .

### **Using connectives in reports**

- Shortly before daybreak . . .
- Later that day . . .
- Before long . . .
- As evening fell . . .
- As the sun set . . .
- Soon after . . .
- Hours later . . .
- Unfortunately . . .
- Fortunately . . .
- Soon
- So
- Afterwards
- After that
- Later on
- Next
- Moments later
- Seconds later
- Much later
- Within minutes
- Suddenly
- Without any warning . . .
- At that very moment . . .
- Presently
- In a flash
- Eventually
- Simultaneously