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Analyze the News

Newspaper articles and features report what's happening. News is usually new, interesting, unusual or significant and is about people or the environment. After all, if it isn't new, it can't be news. News is often called *breaking news*.

The Task

- 1 Locate 3 news stories/reports/features and identify the source for each.
- 2 What makes the news unusual? Interesting? Or significant?.
- 3 How does the lead paragraph summarize the news?
- 4 Is anything left out of the lead paragraph? If so, what?
- 5 Do the remaining paragraphs relate back to the first paragraph and provide additional details?
- 6 Are people quoted and are the quotes effective?
- 7 What details and facts make the story appeal to you?
- 8 What makes this news report/story memorable?
- 9 In your opinion, is this news report effective? Why or why not?
- 10 What could be improved in this news report/story?