

WRITE AN ANIMAL NEWS ARTICLE

Read each of the 5 W's prompts. Use the information to create your own animal news article. Write your article on the lines of the newspaper template. Draw a picture in the space provided.

Example:

Who: sea lions helping the U.S. Navy
What: found a diver who shouldn't have been there
When: yesterday morning
Where: off the coast of Washington State
Why: The diver said that he didn't know that he couldn't swim there.

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Sea Lions Bring Diver to Shore

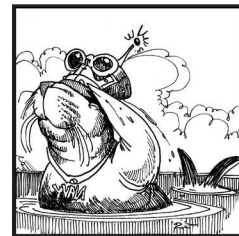
A diver swimming off the coast of Washington State got a surprise yesterday morning. Two sea lions approached him and put a cuff around his leg. In just a few short minutes, the diver was brought up to a boat and greeted by members of the U.S. Navy.

These sea lions aren't just any sea lions. They're trained by the U.S. Navy to help keep the U.S. safe. They look for divers who

shouldn't be in their area. The Navy has used marine animals since the 1960s.

There are now 28 sea lions working for the Navy.

When questioned, the diver said that he didn't know that he couldn't swim where he was. Navy members are running a background check just to make sure.



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- Who:** Owen, the baby hippo
What: protected Mzee, the tortoise
When: yesterday afternoon
Where: the wildlife park
Why: A visitor got too close to the tortoise.

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Who: Sam, the seagull who steals Doritos

What: started stealing fruit

When: last week

Where: at a small shop in Scotland

Why: The locals think Sam wants to balance out his diet.

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NEWSPAPER ARTICLE ASSIGNMENT

1. Pretend that you are a newspaper reporter for the *Animal Daily News*. Choose an animal from a newspaper or an online news source to write an article about. Write the article using the newspaper article template on pg. 6. Remember to keep the 5 W's in mind when writing your story.
2. Draw a picture for your article in the space provided on the newspaper article template.
3. After writing your article, write five questions about your newspaper article using the following word prompts.
4. Share your story with a classmate, and have your classmate answer the questions you wrote.

1. Who: _____

2. What: _____

3. When: _____

4. Where: _____

5. Why: _____

Name _____

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ANSWER RESPONSE SHEET

1. Who: _____

2. What: _____

3. When: _____

4. Where: _____

5. Why: _____

6. (A) (B) (C)

7. _____

8. (A) (B)

9. (A) (B)

10. _____

5 W's Nonfiction Story Cards (Companions)

Performance Objective Correlations:

- Apply standard grammar and usage
- Practice handwriting
- Practice penmanship
- Use correct capitalization and punctuation
- Utilize creativity
- Write an original paragraph
- Write an original sentence
- Write an original story