

Activity: One-Page Newspaper

Take a look at some of these famous examples of the front page of newspapers:



The front page of a newspaper needs to capture the interest of readers, while reflecting the most important stories in the news (whether local, national or international).

Here is a website that identifies the different elements of a typical front page:

The Front Page:

http://www.newseum.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/education_resources_frontpageposter.pdf



Front page settings:

https://docs.moodle.org/27/en/Front_page_settings



TASK: In groups of two to four, create the front page of a newspaper, with a title, etc... based on examples from real newspapers. If you prefer, you may instead create a one-page newsletter which has a variety of journalistic subjects, even though this set-up would not be possible on the front page of a real newspaper.

With the help of an Information Technology (I.T.) teacher at the school, you can create an online page instead.

This activity should be divided into different steps: brainstorming ideas, distribution of subjects (sports, art, politics, etc... if it's a newsletter) or headline-grabbing stories (if you are producing an 'authentic' front-page). Don't forget to take time to create exciting and/or humorous headlines!

If you have a small group, you will each need to write more than one article in order to end up with a satisfying newspaper page. However, if this is the case, you may each write shorter articles.

You may use the following rubric to help your group plan this task:

Title of Newspaper	
Traditional first page or newsletter	
Article title/ subject/ student name	
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Characteristics of newspaper: neutral, sensationalist...	
Other notes for your newspaper...	

POSSIBLE CHOICE OF NEWS TOPICS:

- School or community news
- Crime
- Politics
- International affairs
- Sensational news (scandals, terrorist attacks, natural disasters)
- Art/culture/entertainment
- Science/environment
- Sports
- Weather (in particular, extreme weather warnings)
- Editorial about an issue in the news

Use one of these websites to set up your front page of a newspaper with one or more partners:

Create your NEWSPAPER:

<https://www.newspaperclub.com/create/arthr>



MakeMyNewspaper:

<http://www.makemynewspaper.com/free-newspaper-templates>



Educational Technology and Mobile Learning :

<https://www.educatorstechnology.com/2013/03/wonderful-free-templates-to-create.html>



Before beginning to write, review project five on journalistic beats and, if necessary, project seven on sports as well.