

Test the Waters

ASSESSMENT THREE – WRITE A NEWS STORY

Read the entire document before you begin. It is in five parts:

1. A description of the task you must complete along with pointers you on what you should include.
2. A template for using the inverted pyramid to plan your article.
3. Space to complete your full task.
4. The success criteria that the teacher will use to grade your work.
5. A feedback section that you can use to improve your work in future assignments.

B Write a news story

For this task, you will be the journalist. Think about the following questions:

- What are the main local/national/international stories in the news at present?
- Do any of them have any interest or significance for your area or for you?
- Have any events of interest happened locally recently?
- Are there any upcoming events of local/national importance?

Or you can come up with any 'news' story you like!

Using the next page, brainstorm a news story using the inverted pyramid structure. Remember you need to:

- Decide whether you are writing a broadsheet- or tabloid-style article.
- Establish the 5Ws.
- Plan your background information.
- Include analysis.
- Include quotes.

Write your news story. Include a headline, visual and the written report.

