

# Vocabulary to pre-teach

news

truthful

journalist

fair

newsroom

balanced

archaeologist

interesting

solar panels

reporter

virtual reality (VR)

editor

emotional support animal

subeditor

# Lesson 1

## Becoming a journalist

## Learning objective

To recognise the purpose of news and how it is produced

## Journalist training school

A journalist has a very important job. They are responsible for sharing information with their audience as well as keeping them interested. They should know their role within the newsroom and be prepared to work with others.



## Let's get started!

What do you think about news already? Perhaps you have lots of ideas, or maybe you have not thought about it much before.

Go to the different questions around your classroom and think about how you would answer them.



# What does a journalist do?

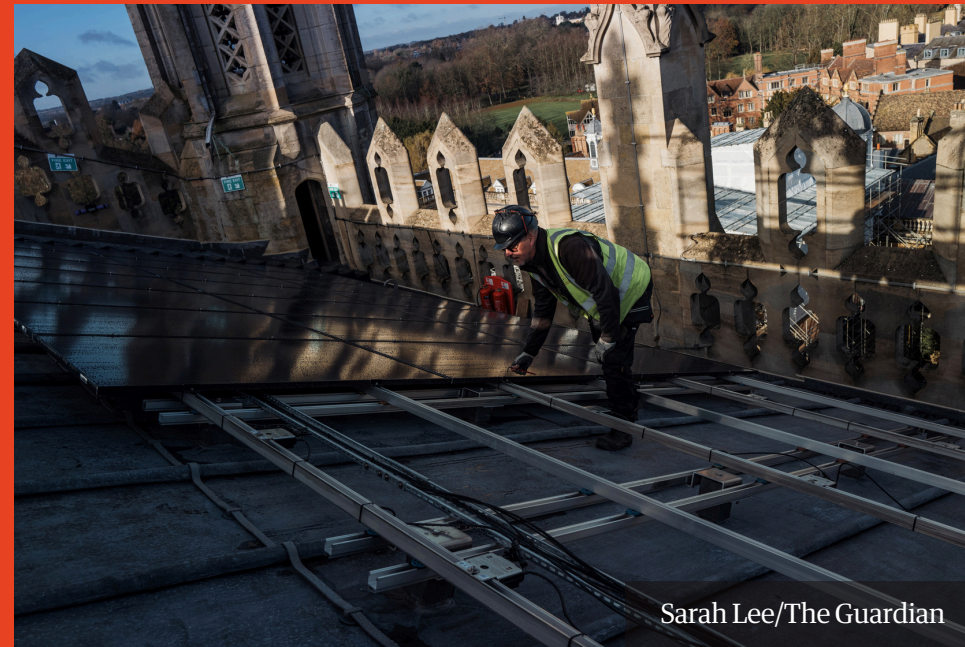
**NEWS**



# What do you think about these stories?

Look at these stories with your partner and answer these questions:

- Why might a journalist share this story?
- Why might someone want to hear this story?



# What did you decide?

Complete this checklist  
with your partner!

**EXPLORING STORIES**

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**News WISE**

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# The NewsWise values



***TRUTHFUL***



***BALANCED***



***FAIR***



***INTERESTING***



# Roles in a newsroom

## **REPORTER**

Finds out more about the story and decides who to interview.

## **SUBEDITOR**

Makes sure there are no mistakes in a report and writes the headline.

## **PICTURE EDITOR**

Chooses the best pictures to include with a news report.



Newsrooms need lots of people with different skills and qualities.  
What qualities would be most helpful for each role to have?

**creativity**

**honesty**

***SUBEDITOR***

***REPORTER***

**precision**

**curiosity**

***PICTURE***

***EDITOR***

**patience**

**resilience**