

Vocabulary to pre-teach

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West Mercia Police

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Lesson 2

Understanding the news

Learning objective

To find important details in a news report

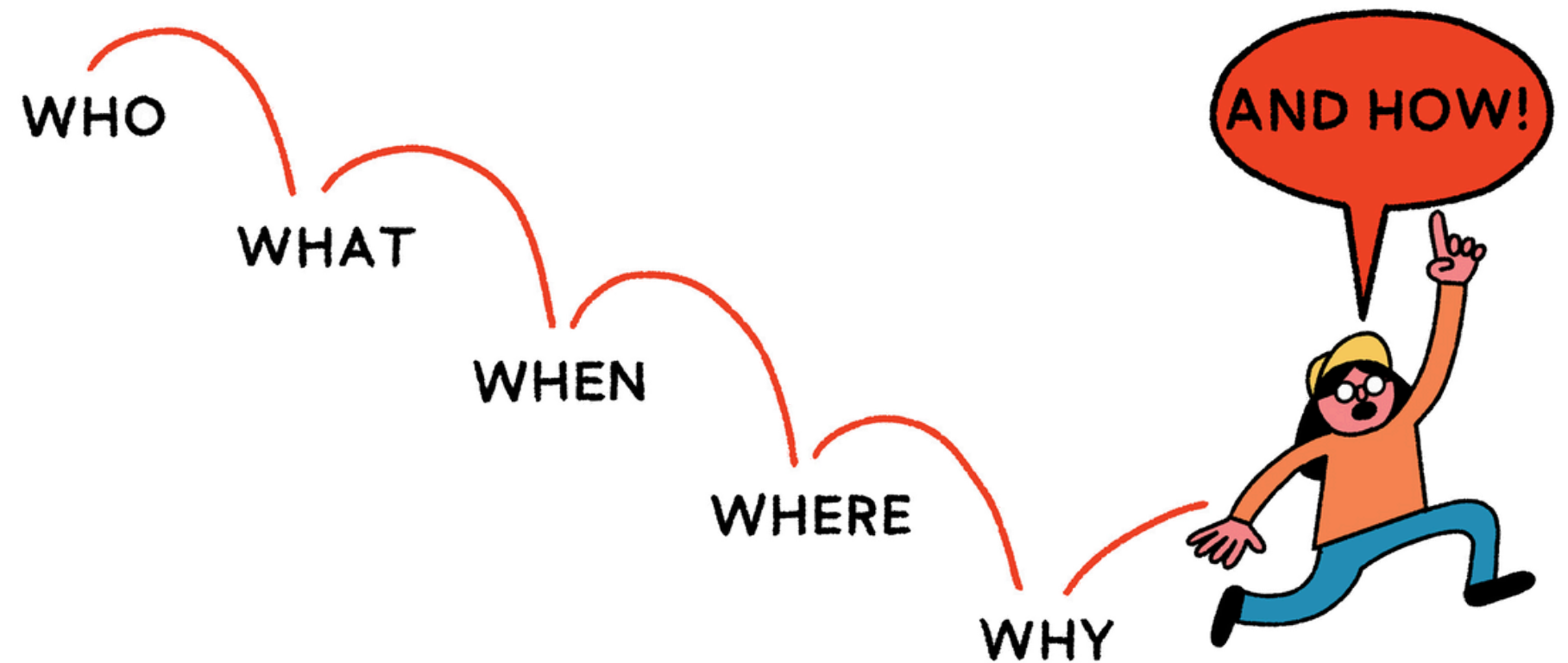
Journalist training school

One of the key skills of being a journalist is to spot the most important or interesting part of a story. Journalists also need to know and be able to spot the 5Ws (who, what, where, when, and why).

5Ws quiz

The 5Ws of a news story are very important. They are the details that the reader will want to know most when they see some news.

Let's see how well you can spot the 5Ws in a news story...



5Ws quiz

WHO?

Joby Pool committed the crime.

TRUE?

FALSE?

Creme Egg thief faces jail



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Joby Pool used a tractor to steal a trailer filled with chocolate eggs. It is thought that the chocolate was worth over £31,000.

West Mercia police joked on social media that an "eggs-travagent theft" had taken place. They also called the thief the "Easter bunny".

It is thought that the chocolate was not damaged, and the eggs can go straight to shop shelves.

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WHAT?

A box of chocolate bars were stolen.

TRUE?

FALSE?

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WHEN?

The man responsible may go to jail next month.

TRUE?

FALSE?

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WHERE?

The theft happened in a car park in Tolleshunt.

TRUE?

FALSE?

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WHY?

Joby Pool will go to jail because tractors are not allowed in car parks.

TRUE?

FALSE?

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When we read a news story, we can begin to understand it by explaining the main thing it is about.



It's your turn...
Read the news story
you have been given
then tell your
partner the main
thing it is about.





What are
the 5Ws of
this story?



It's your turn...
Can you write down
the 5Ws of your
story?



FIRST...

- 1) Read your story.
- 2) Tell your partner what it is mostly about.

THEN...

Find the 5Ws and write them in the table below.

WHO?	
WHAT?	
WHEN?	
WHERE?	
WHY?	

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Categories of news

Some of the different categories of news you might see include...

NATIONAL

Stories happening in your home country (eg UK).

INTERNATIONAL

News stories happening in other countries around the world.

SCIENCE

News stories about topics like: space, animals, plants, technology, environment.

ENTERTAINMENT

News stories about topics like: TV, video, films, artists, dance, plays, books, video games, music.

SPORT

News stories about any type of sport, including match reports and news about players.



Categories of news

What category would you put your story into and why?

NATIONAL

INTERNATIONAL

ENTERTAINMENT

SCIENCE

SPORT

