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LI: I can identify features of a newspaper.

Layer 1

Carefully read these short newspaper stories and create an interesting headline for each, which will grab the reader's attention.

- 1) Three children were walking across a field in Hounslow when they discovered a hole. At the bottom of the hole was a chest filled with gold and silver. The children ran and told the police about their discovery.
- 2) Two days ago a kitten called Cookie, belonging to Mrs Daniels, climbed a tree. It got stuck at the top and could not get down. A large crowd gathered. They could not help the cat. In the end they sent for the fire brigade. The firemen put a ladder up the tree and brought the frightened cat down.
- 3) Late last night, three men disguised wearing wigs and sunglasses stole over £1000 worth of goodies from a sweet shop. They smashed their way through the front door around midnight and filled sacks with delicious treats. It is hoped that they will be found and arrested soon.
- 4) Mrs Sullivan, the headteacher, is celebrating her first prize win at a local gardening contest. Her beautiful display of flowers beat many other contestants. Rumours have it that her own back garden looks better than the Queen's! Photographs of her display can be seen on our website.

Layer 2

Newspapers often have pictures to give the reader an idea of what the story is about. A caption is used to describe what the picture shows.

Have a go at writing your own captions for these pictures.

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Layer 3

Plan your own newspaper report by choosing a story and answering the following questions. You can make your own story up.

Who is involved?

What is the story about?

Where did it happen?

When did it happen?