

Match the opening to the headline

1	A scientist researching Ancient Egyptian objects has now discovered a pyramid with a magical entrance.	A	PEEP LOSES SHEEP
2	Over twenty sheep went missing yesterday from the farm belonging to Little Bo-Peep.	B	RESCUED BY HEROES
3	Temperatures today will not rise above 12°C, which is below average for June. There is a possibility of rain and gusts of wind.	C	MAGIC PYRAMID
4	Dave Graham, a local pub landlord, is convinced that the town is being taken over by aliens from outer space.	D	WHERE IS THE SUMMER?
5	Twins, Jane and Ross Smith, are heroes to 84 year old Mrs. Bennett after they saved her from a house fire yesterday.	E	INVASION SCARE

Checklist

- Headline
- Sub-heading
- Picture
- Caption
- Introductory sentence (orientation)
- Main body of text (columns)
- Quotes (direct speech)
- Parenthesis
- By line (who wrote article)

Newspaper articles

- Today we will learn how to create effective opening sentences (orientation).

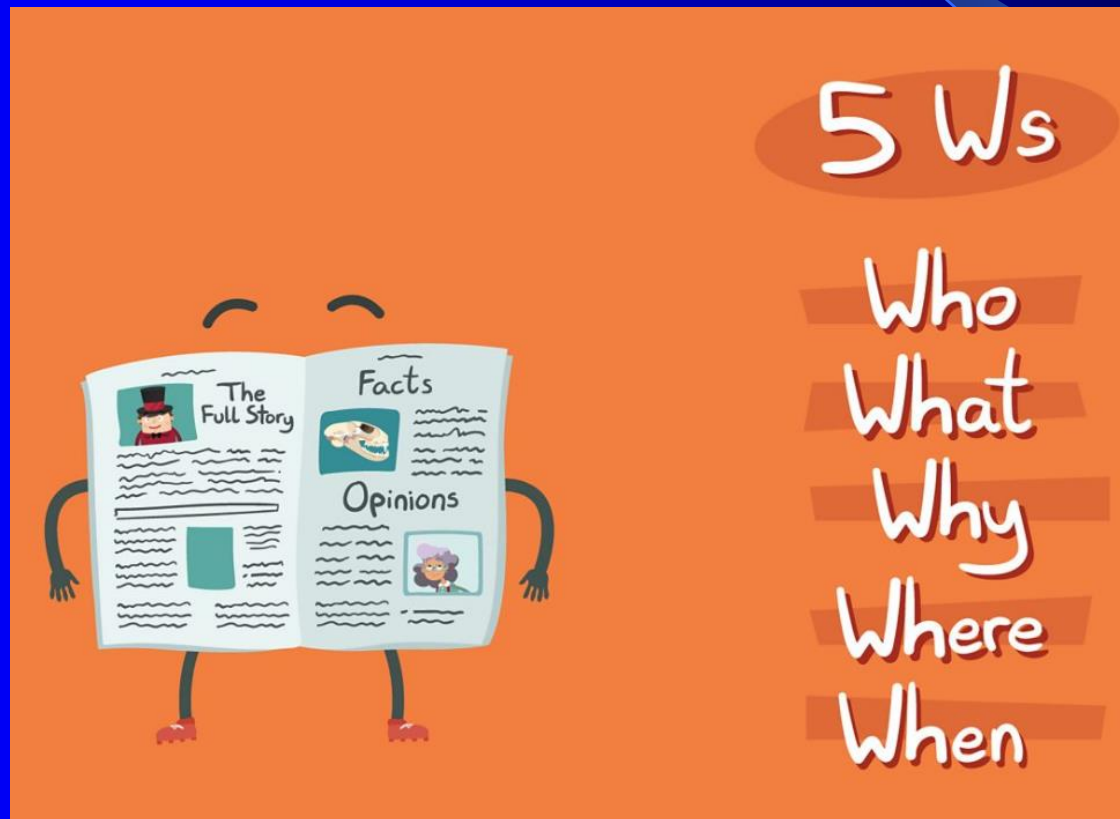


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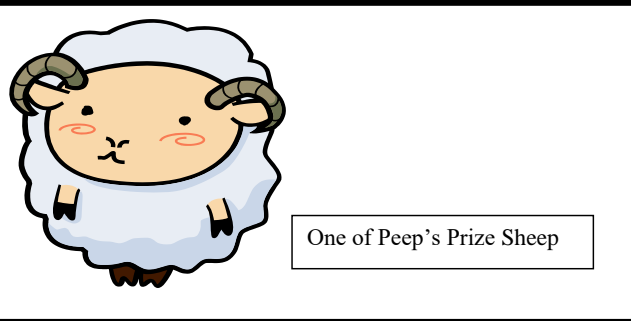
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PEEP LOSES SHEEP!



One of Peep's Prize Sheep

Over twenty sheep went missing yesterday from the farm belonging to Little Bo-Peep.

Peep, 25, is said by friends to be devastated by the loss. Her best friend Humpty Dumpty said, "She came home from the shops last night to find them all gone, every last one of them." He also said that Bo-Peep had then spent the whole night searching nearby woods, fields and hills but with no luck.

Local police officer, PC John asked people to be on the look out for the twenty sheep. "At this time we are not treating the matter as suspicious," he said.

He added, "You can't miss them as they all have bright pink fleeces." Friends say Miss Peep's favourite dress is pink and so she had all her sheep dyed to match.

Beautiful Bo has not been seen in public since this morning. It is believed she has been told that if she leaves them alone they will come home wagging their tails behind them.

Introductory Sentence

Over twenty sheep went missing yesterday from the farm belonging to Little Bo-Peep.

Introduction gives the main points of the story:

who is involved

when it happened

where it took place

what has happened

(in any order!)

- Who?
- What (has happened)?
- Where?
- When?

Police Baffled By Bank Break-In

Nottinghamshire Police were left confused yesterday when robbers broke into a local bank, but didn't appear to actually steal anything.

- Who?
- What (has happened)?
- Where?
- When?

Fire Brigade Fights Factory Blaze **(written by the class)**

Last night, a fire broke out in a toilet factory, which took the fire department over five hours to extinguish.

Newspaper Reports:

To write an effective opening paragraph

An effective opening should answer:

- Who?
- What (has happened)?
- Where?
- When?