

Current Events: What's in the News?



News stories educate the public on issues that impact local, national, and international communities. This graphic organizer provides questions and strategies to help students analyze and interpret current events.

**Identify
your
source!**

Name of the article: _____
 Author: _____ Date: _____
 Source: _____

Read and analyze. Read the news story carefully. Then answer the following questions.

Who?	Who are the main people involved? _____ Why are they important? _____ _____
What?	What happened? _____ _____ List four facts or pieces of information important to understanding this news story. 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____
When?	When did the events in this story happen? <i>(Note: This may not be the same as the publication date.)</i> _____
Where?	Where did the events in this story happen? _____ <i>(Identify the city, state, and country and find the location on a map.)</i>
Why?	Why is this news story important to the larger community? _____ _____ Why is it important to you? _____ _____ _____
Follow-up questions	What response or follow-up questions do you have about this news story? _____ _____ _____

★ **Bonus question:** How accurate is the source? How impartial is it? Identify any evidence of factual errors or potential bias.