



Newspaper Book Report



This book report takes the form of a newspaper. Use the following requirements to design and lay out your book report. Place the articles and features where you think they fit best.

- Check off each requirement after you've completed it.

REQUIREMENTS

TITLE/NAME OF NEWSPAPER

Create a title for your newspaper. It can be related to the book, your name, the class, the school, and so on. Don't forget to include your name as the editor.

ARTICLES

Summary

At the top of the first page, write a summary of your book in a well-developed paragraph.

1. Make sure your summary answers *who, what, where, when, and why*.
2. Create a headline that related to the summary.

Protagonist

Write a brief article about the main character.

1. Describe who the character is, what he or she did, personality traits, and interesting things about the character.
2. Create a headline that relates to the article.
3. Include a picture of the protagonist in a scene from the book.

Antagonist

Write a brief article about the antagonist. Write in complete paragraphs.

1. Explain why this person/thing is the antagonist.
2. Create a headline that relates to the article.
3. Include a picture of your antagonist causing the problem.

New Ending

Write a different ending to the book that changes the outcome of the story.

1. Create a headline that relates to the article.

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SUMMARY

Write notes about the five W's to help you write your summary.

<i>WHO???</i>	<i>WHERE???</i>	
<i>WHAT???</i>	<i>SUMMARY</i> Headline: _____ _____ _____	<i>WHY???</i>
	<i>WHEN???</i>	

ANTAGONIST

In the ovals, list four reasons why this character is the antagonist. In the box, draw a sketch of the antagonist causing the problem. Use this information to help you write your article.

The diagram shows four empty ovals arranged in a 2x2 grid. The top two ovals are connected by a horizontal line, the bottom two by a horizontal line, and each top oval is connected to its corresponding bottom oval by a vertical line.

FEATURES

☐ *Advice Column*

Pretend the main character wrote a short letter to a newspaper advice columnist seeking advice about the major problem your character faces in the story. Create an assumed name for your character to use to sign his or her letter. (This is a fake name) Then write the response from the columnist that reflects how the problem was solved.

1. Make it look like an advice column
2. Create a headline that relates to the article. (ex. Dear Abby, etc.)

☐ *Book Review*

Write a review for the book you read.

1. Explain your likes and dislikes.
2. To whom would you recommend this book? Why?
3. Create a headline for your book review.

☐ *Editorial*

Choose an issue related to your book and take a position on it.

1. Write a letter to the editor describing how you feel about this issue.
2. Think carefully and honestly about what you want to say.
3. Create a headline for the editorial.

☐ *Comics*

Design a four-panel comic strip that illustrates something funny that happened in the story.

1. Use the four squares as a guide or as the actual comic strip.
2. Create a title for your strip.

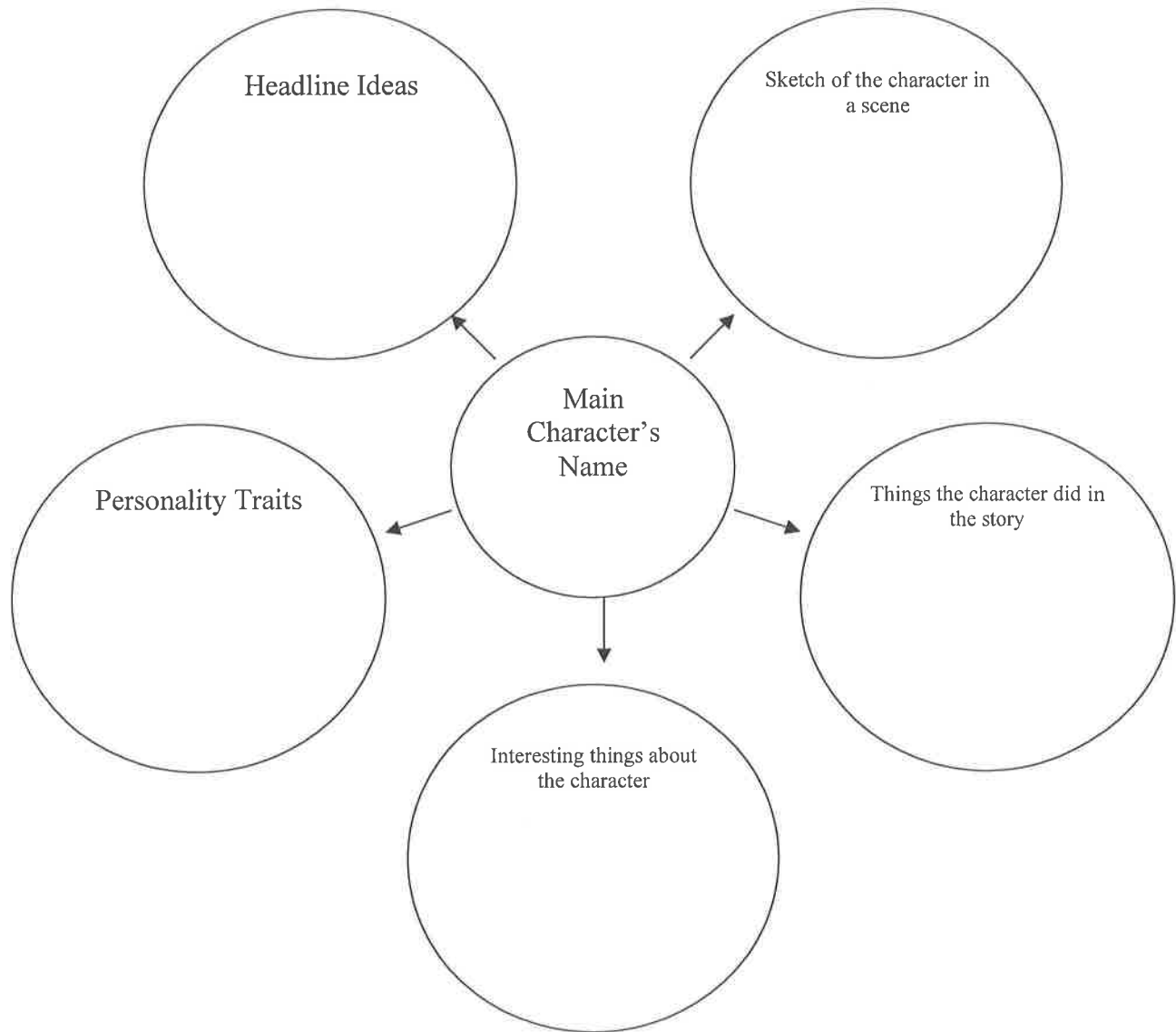
☐ *Advertisements, Crosswords, and More*

All the space in your newspaper should be filled. After you have written all that is required, be creative to fill up the remaining spaces. Suggested possibilities include want ads, advertisements, crossword puzzles, word searches, riddles, or obituaries if a character in the book dies. Make sure everything relates to the story you read.

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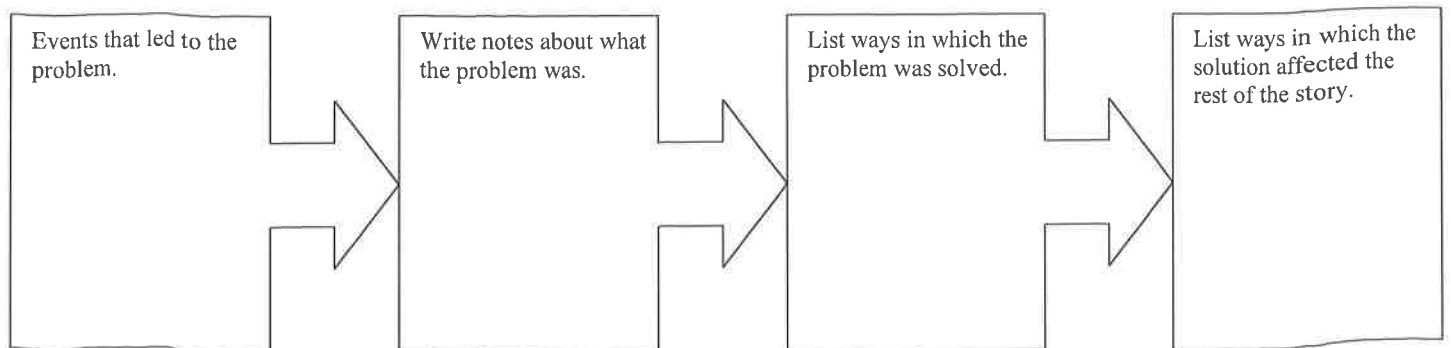
MAIN CHARACTER

Fill in the data disk to help you write your article about the main character in your book.



ADVICE COLUMN

Fill out the sequencing chart to help you write your advice column.



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NEW ENDING

Write notes to describe two possible new endings and outcomes to the story. Choose one to help you write your article.

New Ending 1	→	New Out come 1
New Ending 2	→	New Out come 2

BOOK REVIEW

List e three things you liked about your book and three things you disliked to help you write your review.

Liked	Disliked
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EDITORIAL

Choose an issue related to your book and take a position on it. List three reasons you might agree or disagree with your position.

Agree	Disagree
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COMICS

In the space provided, draw a thumbnail sketch of your comic strip. Include dialogue.

Comic Strip Title: _____

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