

INTRODUCTORY ACTIVITIES

Create a scavenger hunt. List items to be found. Set up a search and match. Show items to be matched.

WHOLE NEWSPAPER

Make an alphabet book. Find sets of pictures and words. Classify the pictures and words. Letters and numbers come in many sizes. Make a display of them. Find the longest words and list them. Divide the words into syllables. Start a collection of quotes.

HEADLINES

Read stories and write your own headlines. Create a letter hunt. Make a hunt of vowels, blends, suffixes, etc. Create crossword puzzles using words in headlines.

NEWS SECTION

Take a trip with a famous person in the news. (Politicians, sports figures and entertainers do a lot of traveling). Where are they going and why? Find the continents in the news and locate them on a map. Find the countries in the news and locate them on a map. Sequence current events by the time they occurred. Classify them by location. Decide if stories are “good” or “bad” news. Good or bad for whom?

COMICS

Classify photos by subject and emotion. Guess what the photo is about, then read the caption. Name game — Write down names of people in the news then see if you can match them to pictures. Make a bulletin board of “What’s happening?” Write stories to go with the photos. Name the nouns in a photo. What verbs can be found in the caption.

WEATHER

Find the national city with the highest and lowest temperature. Fronts - Where are they coming from and where are they headed? How high will the waves be on the lake tonight?

DISPLAY/CLASSIFIED ADS

Match prices in grocery ads. Be a comparison shopper. Create a shopping game using coupons with the highest and lowest value. Pick a job you like from the Help Wanted section. Role play a job interview.