

# NEWSPAPER LANGUAGE

Student Objective: To learn the language of the newspaper

Directions: People who work at a newspaper have a language of their own.

To help you learn about newspaper language, read and answer these questions about your newspaper.

1. The NAMEPLATE is the name of a newspaper. You will find the nameplate on the front page near the top.

Write the name of your newspaper. \_\_\_\_\_

What does the newspaper cost? \_\_\_\_\_

2. A HEADLINE is the title of a newspaper story. Headlines are written in larger type than the rest of the story.

Find a HEADLINE on the front page of your newspaper. Write the HEADLINE. \_\_\_\_\_

3. The INDEX is the list of the main contents of a newspaper and the page number where they appear.

Look in the INDEX of your newspaper and find the page number of the comics. \_\_\_\_\_

4. In a newspaper, the information describing a photograph is called a CUTLINE.

Find a CUTLINE describing a photograph in your newspaper. .  
Write the CUTLINE \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. At the beginning of some stories, a DATELINE will give the location and origin of the story.

In your newspaper, find a DATELINE of a city not in the United States.  
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6. Organizations which sell news and pictures from distant cities to newspapers are called WIRE SERVICES. Common wire services are AP( Associated Press) and Knight Ridder.

Look in your newspaper to find a WIRE SERVICE in the dateline or under a picture. Write the name of the WIRE SERVICE you found in your newspaper. \_\_\_\_\_

7. Some authors of newspaper articles have their name printed at the head of a story. Their printed name is called a BYLINE.

Find a BYLINE in your newspaper. List the headline and who wrote the story. HEADLINE \_\_\_\_\_  
AUTHOR \_\_\_\_\_

8. The EDITOR of the newspaper assigns stories to the reporters and makes decisions about the stories printed such as their importance and location in the newspaper. Some newspapers have several editors. The name of the EDITOR(S) is often found on the EDITORIAL PAGE.

Find the name of the EDITOR of your newspaper and the page number of the EDITORIAL PAGE. \_\_\_\_\_  
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