

Features of a Newspaper Report Checklist

You are a reporter for a popular newspaper (you can decide the name). You have been tasked with writing an article for tomorrow's paper about **what happened to this man and his lighthouse**. Today you are going to PLAN your article using the check list and planning sheets below. You can decide what part of this man's story is the most interesting and therefore what you are going to write about.

Features	
The name of the newspaper	
A headline that uses a pun, rhyme or alliteration	
A subtitle which gives a bit more information about what the report is about	
The reporter's name (your name!)	
An introductory paragraph containing the 5 Ws (who, what, where, when, why) and 1 H (how)	
Information about the main events presented in chronological order (explain what happened to this man using storyboard to help you)	
Pictures with captions	
Written in the third person and in the past tense	
Direct and reported speech (quote what others have told you e.g. eye-witnesses)	
Formal language (imagine you are talking to Mr Mooney or the Prime Minister)	
Rhetorical Questions	
A conclusion paragraph to explain what might happen next	

Possible angles to write about:

- This man is/ was an outcast in society
- The Scrooge of the sea
- How this man was transformed by what happened to him
- The importance of friendship/ community

Any angle of your choice!