



Y2 Spring 2.2

Write to inform: Newspaper report



Purpose: To give the reader information about an important event



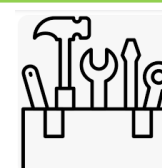
Key features

Structural:

- Headline
- Columns
- Photo or drawing with a caption

Language:

- Past tense: people rushed
- Adverbials of time: On Saturday night
- Conjunctions: and, but, so



Writer's toolbox

Adverbials of time:

Over the last few days By 3am
On Saturday night Later that night
Finally

Apostrophes for possession:

They show that something belongs to someone, e.g. The King's men (the men belong to the King)

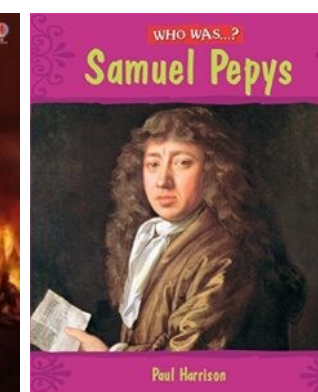
Punctuation:

Remember to use capital letters and full stops.
Try and use commas in a list.

Vocabulary:

Swept across Destroying
Initial Aight
Rapidly Under threat

Recommended reads



DAILY NEWS LONDON BURNING

6th September 1666

Over the last few days, a huge fire has swept across London destroying huge numbers of buildings.

On Saturday night, the fire began in a bakery in Pudding Lane. It is believed that a spark from the oven fell to the floor and started the initial fire.

Once the bakery was alight, the flames spread rapidly due to the strong wind, the closeness of the buildings and the fact that the houses are all made from wood. People rushed from their homes carrying as many of their belongings as they could and made their way to the river.

By 3am, over 300 houses had been burned and many more were under threat. Attempts to put the fire out were made and buckets of water were thrown onto the flames but the fire was too strong.

Mrs Smith, who was helping to put the fire out said, "The flames were just too fierce. We didn't stand a chance."

Later that night, the King heard about the tragedy so he sent soldiers to assist. The King's men began blowing up houses to try and stop the fire spreading.

After burning for 3 days, the wind died down and the fire finally stopped.

The people of London must now face the difficult task of rebuilding what has been lost.

Reported by Charles Jones



View of the fire from the river