

Article types



Here are five types of articles that you will come across in a newspaper.
Can you find one of each in a copy of First News?

News reports

News reports are based on and filled with facts, such as names, dates, places and statistics. They are written in a formal style and try to be unbiased. The points of view of people involved in the news story will be included as quotations. They rarely include the opinion of the journalist.

Your example found on page: _____
Headline: _____

Editorials/opinion pieces

These articles give the opinion of the writer on a particular topic in the news. They are flagged as 'Opinion', 'Comment' or 'Editorial' to make it clear that they give personal opinion and are not news reports. *First News* includes a weekly article called 'Editor's Comment', where the editor speaks directly to the reader in the first person.

Your example found on page: _____ **Journalist:** _____

Reviews

Reviews of books, films, plays and computer games also offer opinion. The reviewer gives a personal verdict on the entertainment, but also provides enough information so that readers can decide whether they are interested in trying it themselves.

Your example found on page: _____ **A review of:** _____

Interviews

An **interview** is an article written as questions and answers that gives the detailed opinions of a famous or important person. It can be read as a conversation between two people: the reporter and the interviewee.

Your example found on page: _____ **An interview with:** ____+_____

Adverts

Adverts are content that has been paid for by a company or organisation in order to promote a company, product or event. Sometimes an advert is written and presented to look like an article.

Your example found on page: _____ **An advert for:** _____

