

## Lesson 19

### LC: Can I edit my newspaper report?

Read through your entire newspaper article. You should have at least four paragraphs.

- A lead paragraph
- A chronological recount paragraph
- A quotes paragraph
- A closing paragraph

There is an example of a piece of greater depth writing attached to this lesson. It is a newspaper article about the Giant's Necklace. Look through it and see if you can find any techniques that this greater depth child has used. What makes the piece of writing effective? Can you edit your piece further to gain the same tone?

You should make sure that your writing is formal. You should use formal verbs. Underline your verbs in yellow to help you to check. You can use an online thesaurus to find alternative words – just make sure that they fit in the sentence and make sense. <https://www.collinsdictionary.com/dictionary/english-thesaurus>

You should have a mixture of sentence types. Compound sentences using coordinating conjunctions (for, and, nor, but, or, yet, so). Complex sentences using subordinating conjunctions (If your sentence begins with a subordinating conjunction, then your sentence should have a comma to separate the main and subordinate clause). Relative clauses to add extra information about a noun. You can underline your conjunctions and relative pronouns in green.

Correct punctuation throughout. Check your sentence lengths. Have you used full stops in the correct places? Have you included brackets? Is your direct speech punctuated correctly?

Challenge: Have you used passive voice? Have you used the subjunctive? Have you used colons and semi-colons?

Remember to use your CGP grammar study book to help you correct these things. The front of the book has a contents page which allows you to find the page number of the grammatical area you want to focus on.