REPORTING ON A NEWS STORY

Before writing a news article, reporters of professional journalism always take notes on the facts of the event or story that they will be reporting on. They often use the 5-W questions—who, what, where, when, and why—to help them get started.

Think about an event that happened in your town or school that you would like to write a news article on. Write the name of the event in the blank space below, then answer the questions to describe the event.

When did it happen?

Where did it take place?

Who was involved?

What happened?

Why was it important?

NAME: _____

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Now that you have gathered the facts for your news story, it's time to write the article! Use your notes on the previous page to guide your writing. Be sure to think of a creative title for your article!

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