

Check list for news stories

- Does the lead begin with a noun?
- Is the lead short and included all important WWWWWH?
- Is a billboard included? Is it short?
- Is the first quote a power quote from the main source?
- Do you have transitions before each quote that introduce what the next quote is about?
- Are transitions and quotes in their own paragraph?
- Does the story have four to five good quotes?
- Is an attribution included for each quote?
- Is the attribution at the end (or middle) of the quote?
- Is the word said used instead of stated, commented or anything else?
- Are commas inside quote marks?
- Did you cover the story and show all sides of the issue?
- Is the most important issue at the top of the story?
- Did you use paragraphs? Are you indents obvious?
- Names are spelled correctly?
- Is the classification of the student before his/her name and not capitalized?
- Did you end with a power quote that sums up the story?

Name _____

Story _____

Peer Evaluator _____