



### Writing a newspaper article

**1** Think about the writing style. Find other examples in the newspaper articles on page 50.

- 1 Write a title:  
Shark in Sydney!
- 2 Start with an opening statement: Children were swimming in the ocean when they saw the animal.
- 3 Write the facts. Who? Children  
When? Yesterday afternoon  
Where? City Beach
- 4 Say what happened (use past tense or past progressive tense): While the children were playing, a man was diving in the ocean.
- 5 End the story with the words a person says:  
He said, "It wasn't a dangerous shark. It was a dolphin!"

### 2 Work it out.

Look at the example: She said, "It was amazing."

Do we use quotation marks (" ") before and after a question? or before and after the words a person says?

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**3** Make notes for your own newspaper article.

- 1 What's your title?
- 2 What's your opening sentence?
- 3 What are the facts? Who was there?  
When did it happen? Where did it happen?
- 4 What happened?
- 5 What did somebody say?



**4** Write your newspaper article using your notes from Activity 3 and your Writing File Worksheet.

Headline
Unit 5 Lesson 4
Name

## Today's news!