



NEWS & MEDIA



VOCABULARY



A

Read the definitions and write the correct word.

review • weather forecast • reporter • vlog • headline
current affairs • documentary • sports page • news report • talk show

- 1 A programme that gives facts about real people, places, or events. _____
- 2 The title of an important news story. _____
- 3 A person who collects and presents news. _____
- 4 Information about what the weather will be like. _____
- 5 A video in which someone shares their experiences or ideas online. _____
- 6 Important events and issues happening in the world now. _____
- 7 An opinion about a film, book, game, or show. _____
- 8 A programme where a host talks to different guests. _____
- 9 A section with news and information about sport. _____
- 10 A report that gives information about something that has happened. _____

B

Complete each sentence with the correct word from the box.

reporter • sports page • review • weather forecast
headline • documentary • vlog • current affairs

- 1 Dad checks the _____ to see if it will rain tomorrow.
- 2 The _____ interviewed people after the accident.
- 3 I watched a _____ about animals living in the Arctic.
- 4 The big _____ on the front page caught everyone's attention.
- 5 Leo reads the _____ to find out his team's latest results.
- 6 Mia posted a _____ about her weekend in Madrid.
- 7 I read a _____ before deciding whether to watch the new film.
- 8 My parents watch _____ programmes to learn about important events around the world.



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A WRITE THE PAST SIMPLE FORM OF THE VERBS.

1 take _____	2 find _____	3 write _____	4 meet _____	5 see _____
6 come _____	7 sell _____	8 win _____	9 go _____	10 hear _____

B COMPLETE THE NEWS REPORTS.

Complete each news report with the Past Simple form of the verbs in brackets.



SCHOOL NEWS

Yesterday, a student reporter
_____ (meet) a famous author
at school.
She _____ (take) several photos
and _____ (write) an article for
the school website.



SPORTS NEWS

Our school team _____ (win)
the final on Saturday.
Hundreds of students _____
(come) to watch and _____
(see) the players celebrate.



LOCAL NEWS

A family _____ (find) a lost dog
near the park yesterday.
They _____ (bring) it to an
animal centre and _____ (give)
it some food.



MEDIA NEWS

A young reporter _____ (go)
to a local festival.
She _____ (hear) an
interesting story and later
_____ (tell) her editor about it.

PAST SIMPLE vs PAST CONTINUOUS

PAST CONTINUOUS

= action in progress in the past

was / were + verb-ing

PAST SIMPLE

= completed action or event in the past

past form of the verb

Example: The reporter **was interviewing** the actor when the phone **rang**.

A Read and choose the correct form.

1. The reporter **interviewed** / **was interviewing** the actor when her phone rang.
2. We **watched** / **were watching** the news when the electricity went out.
3. The photographer **took** / **was taking** pictures when he saw the accident.
4. Mia **wrote** / **was writing** her report when the editor called.
5. The journalists **worked** / **were working** in the newsroom when they heard the news.
6. The presenter **spoke** / **was speaking** when the camera stopped working.
7. Leo **read** / **was reading** an online article when his teacher came in.
8. The news team **filmed** / **was filming** outside when it started to rain.
9. The reporter **talked** / **was talking** to a witness when the police arrived.
10. The students **watched** / **were watching** a documentary when the bell rang.

B Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs from the dropdown.

BREAKING NEWS

Yesterday afternoon, reporter Mia Clark 1. _____ (**travelled** / **was travelling**) to the city centre when she 2. _____ (**saw** / **was seeing**) a large crowd outside a building.

People 3. _____ (**waited** / **were waiting**) outside when the police 4. _____ (**arrived** / **were arriving**). Mia immediately 5. _____ (**took** / **was taking**) out her phone and called the newsroom.

While she 6. _____ (**spoke** / **was speaking**) to her editor, a police officer 7. _____ (**came** / **was coming**) over to her. He 8. _____ (**explained** / **was explaining**) the situation to Mia and then returned to the building.

Mia 9. _____ (**wrote** / **was writing**) down the information when her cameraman 10. _____ (**arrived** / **was arriving**). Together, they started preparing a live news report.