

Vocabulary exercises

THE NEWS

- Complete the texts below with the words in the box; you may need to change the form of some of the words.

Catch up on / grab / leak / scan / scoop / spread

A. I like to keep up with what's going on in the world. I usually 1. _____ The news every morning by listening to the radio. I sometimes buy a newspaper, but I don't read it in detail, I just 2. _____ the deadlines and read a few stories that catch my attention. I can't resist reading the latest celebrity story which has been 3. _____ all over the front pages.

B. The news of the president's affair was 4. _____ To the press via an anonymous phone call. The newspaper went to print with it because they wanted to make sure they 5. _____ th story before any of the other publications. They knew such a huge scandal would 6. _____ the headlines and sell millions of copies.

- Choose the correct word to complete the sentence.

- The police officer called a **press conference** / **press release** to appeal for help from the public.
- They've **censored** / **edited** my quotation! That's isn't what I said at all!
- And now some **break the news** / **breaking news** of a rescue situation in China.

CONNECTIONS!

- Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions. There may be more than one possibility.

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- I'm as worried _____ the news as he is!
- The game begins when a messenger comes in _____ the news that the king is coming today.
- Immigration is a topic which is constantly _____ the news.
- We haven't heard any more news _____ the escape convict.
- Mary surprised us _____ the news that she was moving abroad.
- Why is news _____ the latest I phone in the headlines?

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