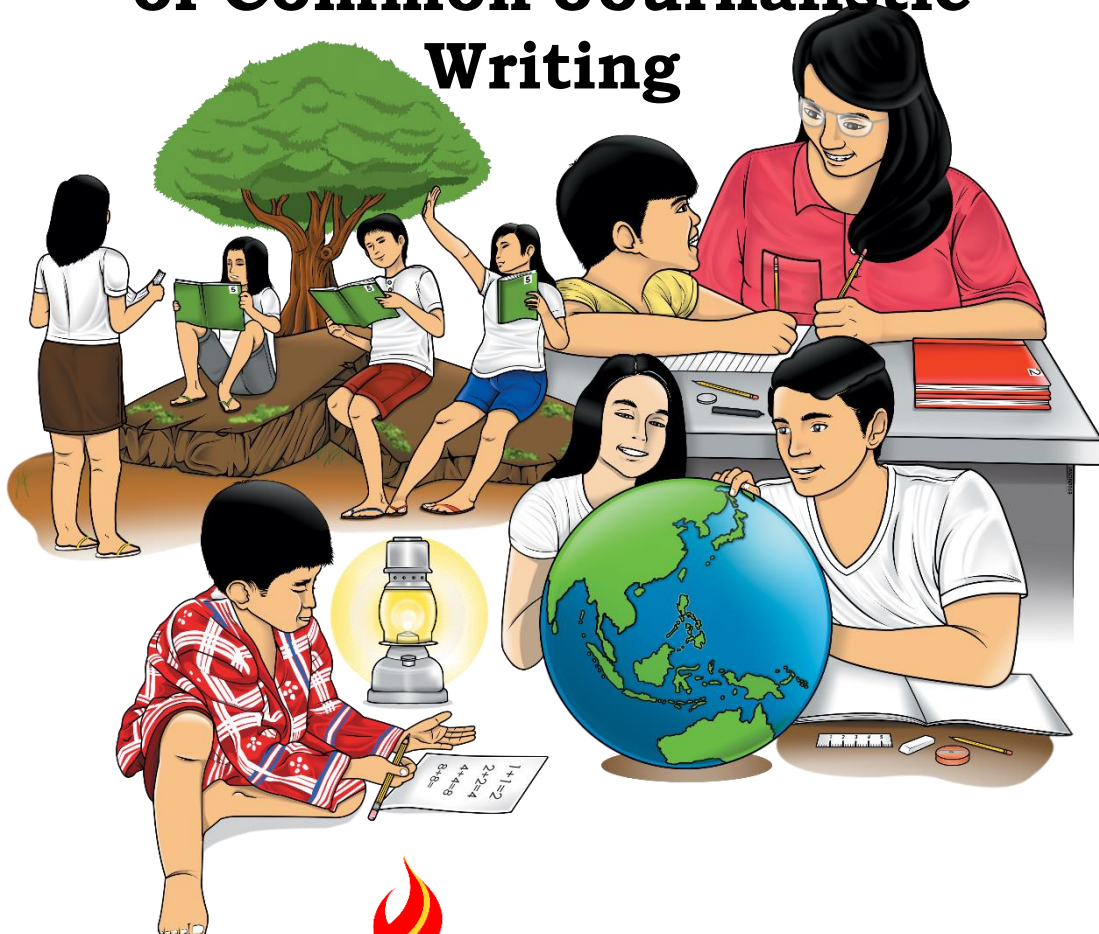


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Writing**

# Introductory Message

This Self-Learning Module (SLM) is prepared so that you, our dear learners, can continue your studies and learn while at home. Activities, questions, directions, exercises, and discussions are carefully stated for you to understand each lesson.

Each SLM is composed of different parts. Each part shall guide you step-by-step as you discover and understand the lesson prepared for you.

Pre-tests are provided to measure your prior knowledge on lessons in each SLM. This will tell you if you need to proceed on completing this module or if you need to ask your facilitator or your teacher's assistance for better understanding of the lesson. At the end of each module, you need to answer the post-test to self-check your learning. Answer keys are provided for each activity and test. We trust that you will be honest in using these.

In addition to the material in the main text, Notes to the Teacher are also provided to our facilitators and parents for strategies and reminders on how they can best help you on your home-based learning.

Please use this module with care. Do not put unnecessary marks on any part of this SLM. Use a separate sheet of paper in answering the exercises and tests. And read the instructions carefully before performing each task.

If you have any questions in using this SLM or any difficulty in answering the tasks in this module, do not hesitate to consult your teacher or facilitator.

Thank you.



## ***What I Need to Know***

In this module, you will learn how to compare and contrast sample articles of common journalistic writing.

The module contains only 1 lesson.

- Compare and contrast sample articles of common journalistic writing

Competency: Compare and contrast sample articles of common journalistic writing (**SPJ4NEW-II d-8; SPJ4EDT-II e-8; SPJ4FTR-II f-8; SPJ4SCW-II g-8; SPJ4SPOR-II h-8**)

After going through this module, you are expected to:

1. compare and contrast sample articles of common journalistic writing;
2. identify articles according to its category; and
3. write a paragraph on the category you like most/best.



## What I Know

**Directions:** Read carefully the following articles and classify them according to their category. Choose your answer in the box and write the letter of your choice on the answer sheet.

- |            |                           |
|------------|---------------------------|
| A. News    | D. Editorial              |
| B. Feature | E. Science and Technology |
| C. Sports  |                           |

### 1. China Coast Guard harassed PH ships anew, says PCG official

MANILA, Philippines- The China Coast Guard (CCG) has again harassed Philippine vessels in the West Philippine, a Philippine Coast Guard (PCG) official said Saturday.

The incident happened on Thursday, April 4, in the vicinity of Rozul Reef, which is located within the West Philippine Sea, PCG spokesperson Commodore Jay Tarriela on X (formerly Twitter).

He said two CCG ships harassed Filipino fishermen supporting PCG and Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources vessels on a mission to drop floating aggregate devices in the area. (Parungao 2024)

### 2. Hidilyn Diaz-Naranjo misses Paris Olympics cut

Hidilyn Diaz-Naranjo is the nation's unrivaled heroine in the Olympics after bringing home the first -ever gold medal from the Summer Games.

So, when Father time might have caught up with her on Wednesday night, no tear should be shed for the greatest Filipino weightlifter of all time.

Diaz-Naranjo will miss what could be her fifth straight and last trip to the Olympics after Cebuana Elreen Ando placed ahead of her in their final qualification face-off at the International Weightlifting Federation World Cup in Phuket, Thailand. # (Navarro 2024)

### 3. Mitigating El Niño, La Niña impact

The mayors of Iloilo City in Iloilo province and Bacolod, Kabankalan, and Enrique B. Magalona in Negros Occidental and four towns in Albay ordered the suspension of classes as intense heat soared to “extreme caution” and “danger” levels of as high as 43 degrees Celsius, putting students at risk of dehydration and heat stroke. But if you think it’s already sizzling now, think again, as temperatures are expected to further rise as the El Niño weather phenomenon blazes on. (Philippine Daily Inquirer 2024)

#### 4. **1,595 pupils participate in the earthquake drill**

Malappo Elementary School (MES) conducted an unannounced Earthquake Drill in adherence to Memorandum no. 2023-04-1668 on the schedule for the conduct of Calendar Year (CY) 2023 Quarterly Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) on March 22, 2024.

As a religious observance, this activity ensures awareness and preparedness for the impending threat of an earthquake even during a pandemic.

One of the responsibilities of teachers is to guarantee that learners are prepared to face such calamity for we never know when calamities would happen.  
# The Riser 2023

#### 5. **The Wonders of Ice Cream**

Dessert is the most wonderful part of a meal. I have never met anyone, from any part of the world, who did not like dessert best. The best dessert is ice cream because it tastes delicious is liked by almost everyone, and it can link us to happy childhood memories.

First, ice cream tastes better than any other food. What food can rival its creamy smoothness, or the delicious feeling of this soft, cold dessert as it slips down your throat? I don't know of any other food that feels as good and clean in your mouth or of any food that comes in so many mouth-watering flavors. At La casa Gelato, for example, you can choose from over 218 flavors! In fact, today you can even get ice cream with protein in it, as the soy ice creams have. Ice cream is good. Who knows? Ice cream may soon be a complete meal on its own. # (Rhea Bercasio 2023)

#### 6. **Cellphones in Our Schools**

When you were a kid, did you ever have to call your mother and the school wouldn't let you? Kids today still must call their mothers sometimes! But their school won't let them! Schools have become much stricter about the phones even when it's an emergency sometimes. So that's why it would be a great thing if schools would let us have cellphones in school.

Cellphones have been an issue in schools ever since they became a bug thing amongst teenagers. Sith grader Amber H. says, "There could be an emergency that no one knows about and there might not be time to reach a phone!" In a lot of schools, teachers take it too far. They take students' cellphones even when they aren't using them, and they are turned off and hidden so that they don't disturb anybody. Teachers shouldn't be allowed to take cellphones when they aren't even bothering anyone they are put on a silent mode, and they are hidden from other classmates! # (Jenny Beasley 2019)

## 7. Lady Blazers stretch run to 30 games

For straight NCAA games spanning four years, College of St. Benilde was nothing short of Immaculate.

Make it 30 in a row.

Brandishing the same deadly and unforgiving roster that has achieved two title sweeps, the Lady Blazers walloped the Emilio Aguinaldo Lady Generals, 25-15, 25-14, 25-23, yesterday to set in motion a three-peat bid in NCAA Season 99 women's volleyball at the Filoil EcoOil Arena. # (Villar 2024)

## 8. The Magnetic Twist: Hybrid Superconductors Unlock Quantum Computing Potential

An international team including researchers from the University of Wurzburg has succeeded in creating a special state of superconductivity. This discovery could advance the development of quantum computers.

Superconductors are materials that can conduct electricity without electrical resistance – making them the ideal base material for electronic components in MRI machines, magnetic levitation trains, and even particle accelerators. However conventional superconductors are easily disturbed by magnetism. An international group of researchers has now succeeded in building a hybrid device consisting of a stable proximitized superconductor enhanced by magnetism and whose function can be specifically controlled. # (WÜRZBURG 2024)

## 9. Charmed

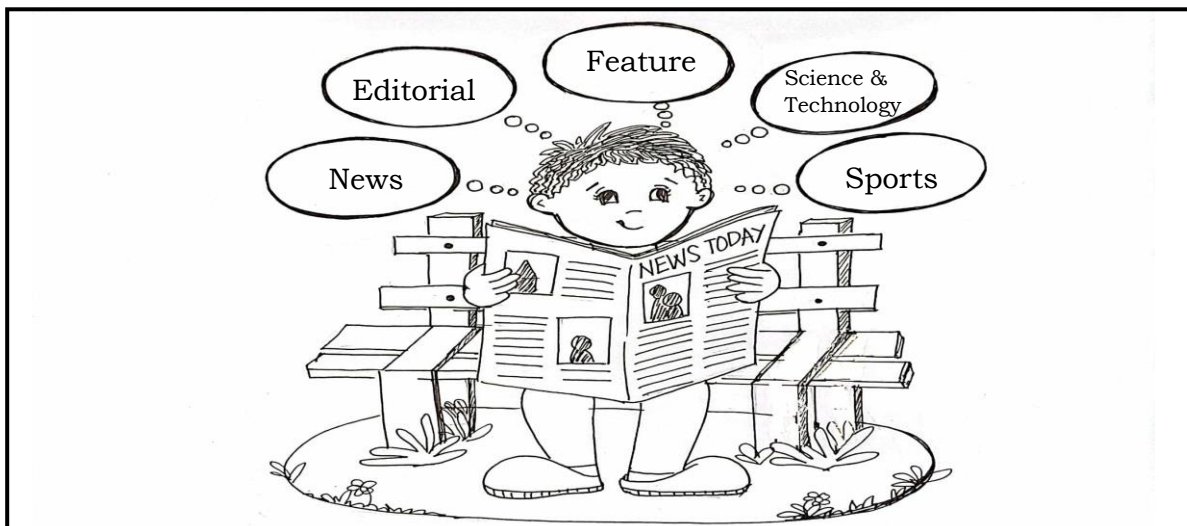
A small city like Hoi An in central Vietnam is typically not my cup of tea as a holiday destination, thinking it's probably quite laid-back. I prefer the megalopolitan buzz and madness, as I want the option of having something to do at any point of the day. While I welcome the idea in theory, I get antsy just lounging by the pool.

But perhaps that's exactly what I needed, I was reminded during a crystal bowl singing meditation class at the Four Seasons the Nam Hai, my home on a recent whirlwind trip. I needed to relax, quiet the mind, be in the moment and submit myself to the idea of doing...nothing. # (Moral 2024)

## 10. The Stupidity of AI

In January 2021, the Artificial Intelligence (AI) research laboratory OpenAI gave a limited release to a piece of software allowed users to enter a simple description as an image they had in their mind and, after a brief pause, the software would produce an almost uncannily good interpretation of their suggestion, worthy of a jobbing illustrator of Adobe-proficient designer- but much faster, and for free. Typing in, for example, “a pig with wings flying over the moon, illustrated by Antoine de Saint-Exupery” resulted, after a minute or two of processing, in something reminiscent of the patchy but recognizable watercolor brushes of the creator of The Little Prince. # (Bridle 2023)



**Lesson****1****Compare and Contrast  
Sample Articles of Common  
Journalistic Writing****What's In**

**Directions:** Read each question carefully then write the letter of the correct answer on your answer sheet.

- \_\_\_\_ 1. For his 150 essays and 66 editorials mostly published in *La Solidaridad* and various anti-friar pamphlets, he is widely regarded as “the Father of Journalism” in the Philippines. Aside from this, he founded the short-lived Tagalog newspaper, *Diariong Tagalog*. Who is he?
- A. Marcelo H. Del Pilar                      C. Rosauro C. Almario  
B. Jose P. Rizal                                D. Armando J. Malay
- \_\_\_\_ 2. He is a prolific writer and an anti- violence hero. He wrote two books namely: *Noli Me Tangere* (Touch Me Not) and *El Filibusterismo* (The Reign of Greed) that have shown the cruelty of the Spaniards. Who is this Filipino hero-journalist?
- A. Jose P. Rizal                      C. Graciano Lopez Jaena  
B. Marcelo H. Del Pilar                      D. Apolinario M. Mabini
- \_\_\_\_ 3. Two of his works, *El Verdadero Decalogo* (The True Decalogue), and *Programa Constitucional dela Republica Filipina* (The Constitutional Program of the Philippine Republic) became instrumental in the drafting of what would eventually be known as the Malolos Constitution, and he

is regarded as the “*Utak ng Himagsikan*” or “Brain of the Revolution.” Who is he?

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|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| A. Jose P. Rizal        | C. Graciano Lopez Jaena |
| B. Marcelo H. Del Pilar | D. Apolinario M. Mabini |

\_\_\_\_ 4. He had subsequently become very well known for addressing the injustices that happened to the Filipino people. His first attempt at addressing problems in local society was through a story entitled, “*Fray Botod*.” Who among the Filipino-journalist is referred to?

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|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| A. Jose P. Rizal        | C. Graciano Lopez Jaena |
| B. Marcelo H. Del Pilar | D. Apolinario M. Mabini |

\_\_\_\_ 5. Who among the notable Filipino journalists is NOT included as a historical contributor in the development of journalism in the Philippines?

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|----------------|------------------------|
| A. Juan Abad   | C. Faustino S. Aguilar |
| B. Coco Martin | D. Rosauo C. Almario   |

\_\_\_\_ 6. If Juan Abad was a Filipino printer turned out a playwright and a journalist, who is this Filipino journalist, a novelist, union leader, and an editor of *Taliba* (Philippine newspaper, 1910)?

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|---------------------|------------------------|
| A. Tomas Pinpin     | C. Faustino S. Aguilar |
| B. Armando J. Malay | D. Dolores Aglay-Elona |

\_\_\_\_ 7. He is known by his nickname Nering, a Filipino-journalist, activist, and sports executive. As a journalist, he advocated a community journalism and promoted the concerns of province-based journalists. He also served as president of the National Press Club of the Philippines. Who is this Filipino journalist?

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|----------------------|------------------------|
| A. Tomas Pinpin      | C. Faustino S. Aguilar |
| B. Nereo C. Andolong | D. Dolores Aglay-Elona |

\_\_\_\_ 8. He is a prominent Filipino writer in Tagalog language. He was a respected journalist, editor, nationalist, politician, newspaper manager, and a proponent of anti-graft practices. Also, he is the editor of *Pagkakaisa*, a daily newspaper in 1926. Who is he?

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|----------------------|------------------------|
| A. Armando J. Malay  | C. Faustino S. Aguilar |
| B. Rosauo C. Almario | D. Dolores Aglay-Eleo  |

\_\_\_\_ 9. If Marcelo H. del Pilar is the “Father of Journalism,” who is the “Prince of the Filipino Printers?”

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|---------------|---------------------|
| A. Jose Rizal | C. Tomas Pinpin     |
| B. Juan Abad  | D. Armando J. Malay |

- \_\_\_\_10. He is a Filipino journalist, scholar, activist during the Marcos administration and became a reporter for the Tribune after the World War II. Who is he?
- |               |                     |
|---------------|---------------------|
| A. Jose Rizal | C. Tomas Pinpin     |
| B. Juan Abad  | D. Armando J. Malay |



***Note to the Teacher***

As an enrichment activity, the learners may cut clippings of varied articles from old/new newspapers and identify the category to which it belongs.



## ***What's New***

Let's see how far you have understood the five categories of journalism namely: News, Editorial, Feature, Science and Technology, and Sports.

Complete the table below by describing the characteristics of each category.

<b>NEWS</b>	<b>EDITORIAL</b>	<b>FEATURE</b>	<b>SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY</b>	<b>SPORTS</b>

1. What are the characteristics of a news?
2. How are news articles different from editorial? Sports? Sci.Tech? Feature?
3. Differentiate the following:

Editorial from a Feature

News from a Sports

Science and Technology from a Feature



## ***What is It***

- **NEWS**

What is a news article?

News is commonly referred to as an acronym of North, East, West, and South. Probably because gathering of news materials happens from any of these geographical directions. It is an accurate, factual, truthful, unbiased, interesting, and timely account of an idea and a narration of past, present and future event or issues that affects a significant number of people.

It attempts to answer all the basic questions about any event in the first two or three paragraphs. Who? What? When? Where? and Why? and occasionally How? (ie. "5 W's"). This form of structure is sometimes called the "inverted pyramid," which means the data gathered are arranged from the most important to the least important information.

**Example:**

**Sagip Litnum rescues 2, 213 learners**

Fatima Anne T. Singson

Aimed to strengthen the literacy and numerical proficiency of every learner and help nurture a culture of reading which is considered a requisite skill in all content areas, Matatag Elementary School implements Sagip Literacy and Numeracy (LITNUM) this school year 2022-2023.

The two-year COVID 19 pandemic created gaps in the literacy and numeracy learning path of our learners. This was evident in the result of the school's Philippine Informal Reading Inventory (PHIL IRI), Early Grade Reading Assessment (EGRA), Early Grade Mathematics Assessment (EGMA) which were used to assess the pupils' literacy and numerical profile during the first quarter.

For PHIL IRI English Pretest, 420 of 1487 or 28.24 percent of the learners are non-readers; 408 or 28.77 percent are classified under Frustration Level; 449 or 31.66 percent are under Instructional; and 279 or 19.67 percent are Independent readers. (The SEED, 2023)

- **EDITORIAL**

What is an editorial article?

An editorial article is a written piece that focuses on the author's opinion of a current event or social issue. They often appear in newspapers, magazines, or journals.

The goal of an editorial article is to convince the reader to change their opinion to match that of the author. These short essays typically provide an opinion, praise a group or a person or argue in favor of a specific viewpoint or belief. (News 2022)

An editorial is an article that presents the newspaper's opinion on an issue. It is usually unsigned. Editorials are meant to influence public opinion, promote critical thinking, and sometimes cause people to take action on an issue. In essence, an editorial is an opinionated news story.

Editorials have:

1. Introduction, body and conclusion like other news stories
2. An objective explanation of the issue, especially complex issues
3. A timely news angle
4. Opinions from the opposing viewpoint that refute directly the same issues the writer addresses
5. The opinions of the writer delivered in a professional manner. Good editorials engage issues, not personalities and refrain from name-calling or other petty tactics of persuasion.
6. Alternative solutions to the problem or issue being criticized. Anyone can gripe about a problem, but a good editorial should take a pro-active approach to making the situation better by using constructive criticism and giving solutions.
7. A solid and concise conclusion that powerfully summarizes the writer's opinion. Give it some punch. ([www.geneseo.edu](http://www.geneseo.edu))

**Example:**

**Ultimate Salvation**  
**SAGIP LITNUM: Bridging the learning gaps in Education**

Briana Sofia S. Agtarap

Tuguegarao West Central School's never-ending struggle to achieve higher literacy and numeracy rates have been an uphill battle for centuries, and the pandemic became its biggest enemy. With some learners already trickling downward prior to the pandemic, remote learning even made things worse for them. School closures and disruptions caused by this health crisis have driven learning losses in education, sending teachers in frenzy.

Creating a language-rich environment on Google Meet and other learning delivery modalities has been hard for teachers, and that also impact reluctant readers, who may not spend enough time reading at home. With some parents having poor literacy skills, having no access to necessary physical resources such as a computer or a tablet coupled with inadequacy in reading instruction, a cascading effect in learners literacy skills became evident.

This can be backed up by the presence of learners who are not able to decode or break up words into syllables during instruction now that face to face classes have

already resumed. Others have the skill to decode words but could hardly understand what they are reading. (The SEED, 2023)

- **FEATURE**

What is a feature article?

A feature is a longer piece of writing than a news story. Features come in many different types and are widely used in magazines, newspapers and online. It will often cover an issue in greater depth than a news story would do; or it might look at an ongoing story from a different angle.

A feature story is distinguished from other types of non-news by the quality of the writing. Stories should be memorable for their reporting, crafting, creativity, and economy of expression. Unlike news reports that mainly focus in factual evidence, feature stories tend to be subjective. Features vary in style, focus, and structure but overall, maintain an entertaining tone rather than strictly informative.

It is one of the most wide-ranging categories of journalism appearing in more than just newspaper articles. A feature tells more than just a story. It emphasizes a certain tone, whether that be entertaining, humorous, saddening, serious or light. It involves and engages readers to the creative, subjective, informative, or entering aspects of the article, differing from informative news. (wikipedia.org)

**Example:**

**Go, Grow, and Glow!**

By: Liz Casey Reyes

“There are so many pupils who cannot read.”

“How can I effectively teach the learning competency required for the day if one third of my pupils do not know how to comprehend?”

“What a pity, majority of my pupils hardly perform the four fundamental mathematical operations!”

“Every day is a dilemma for me, teaching half of my class the slated competency for the day while attending to the other half of my class and teaching them the basic so that they will understand the lesson. They are always one week behind by the advance learners. At the end of the day, I feel exhausted.”

The statements stated above are just some of the remarks from teachers during the First Quarter. Alarmed by these, TWCS through the school project team needs to intensify a sound reading and numeracy program. (The SEED, 2023)

- **SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

What is science writing?

Science writing is meant for a general audience, accessible to all levels of knowledge and understanding, for non-experts and “non-scientists.”

Science Writing is a co-constructive conversation between writer and reader, a means of telling a story and communicating an interesting set of information, of furthering investigations into the world around us and into ourselves. (Reyes 2022)

In this era of fast moving discoveries, inventions, and technological development and computer age, science reporting has become a must. A science writer, therefore, should be able to communicate clearly and effectively so that he can popularize and translate scientific reports into stories.

A science writer should be an all-around man, somewhat of a botanist, a zoologist, a chemist, an electrician, a plumber, and many others who plays a vital role in the programs of the country, not only by telling facts or information, but also by interpreting them to be of relevance to the lives of the people.

**Example:**

**WOW**

Calianne Joelle A. Pauig

*“Time is ticking, what should we do?  
In a few years, will our waters still be blue?  
Why are people being idle, don’t they have a clue?  
War on waste is World War 3, I’m telling you.”*

The War on Waste project has been going on since 2013. It aims to keep the environment clean and free from waste. It is being implemented all over the Philippines, not only in schools, but in the entire country.

Matatag Elementary School joins the wagon and becomes a waste war soldier. All classrooms in this institution have 3 trash bins labeled: biodegradable, non-biodegradable, and recyclable. There are also receptacles for dried leaves, papers, and plastic bottles. Segregation makes recycling so much easier; you do not need to separate all the garbage since everything is already in one spot. The pupils are encouraged to segregate their waste in the proper places, it is important for people to dispose their waste properly, especially at a young age.

The school also have organizations that advocate proper waste disposal, just like the Youth for Environment in Schools Organization (YES-O). Other clubs work as well in the realization of this cause.

War on Waste? We Outsmart Wastes! We Of course Win! (The SEED, 2023)



- **SPORTS NEWS**

Sports writing is a form of creative nonfiction or journalism that covers sports, athletes, or other sports-related issues. A journalist who reports on sports is called a sportswriter.

Basically, sports news answers the five W's and one H (What, Who, Where, When, Why and How). It primarily describes the most thrilling and eventful part of the game.

Sports writing typically covers basic information, such as:

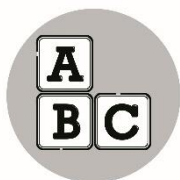
- a. highlights of the game
- b. the names of the teams involved
- c. the type of sport
- d. score or final outcome
- e. when and where the game was played

It also uses special vocabulary called sports lingo. (Alkuino, Sports Writing 2013)

**Example:**

**Diego demolishes Dela Cruz, brings home gold**

Emiterio Diego of Matatag Elementary School posted seven body shots and three headshots, to subdue Pedro Dela Cruz of Hilaga Elementary School and snatch the Gold Medal, 16-4, in the 2024 Inter-School Taekwondo Championship Male-63 kg., held at MES Gymnasium, yesterday.

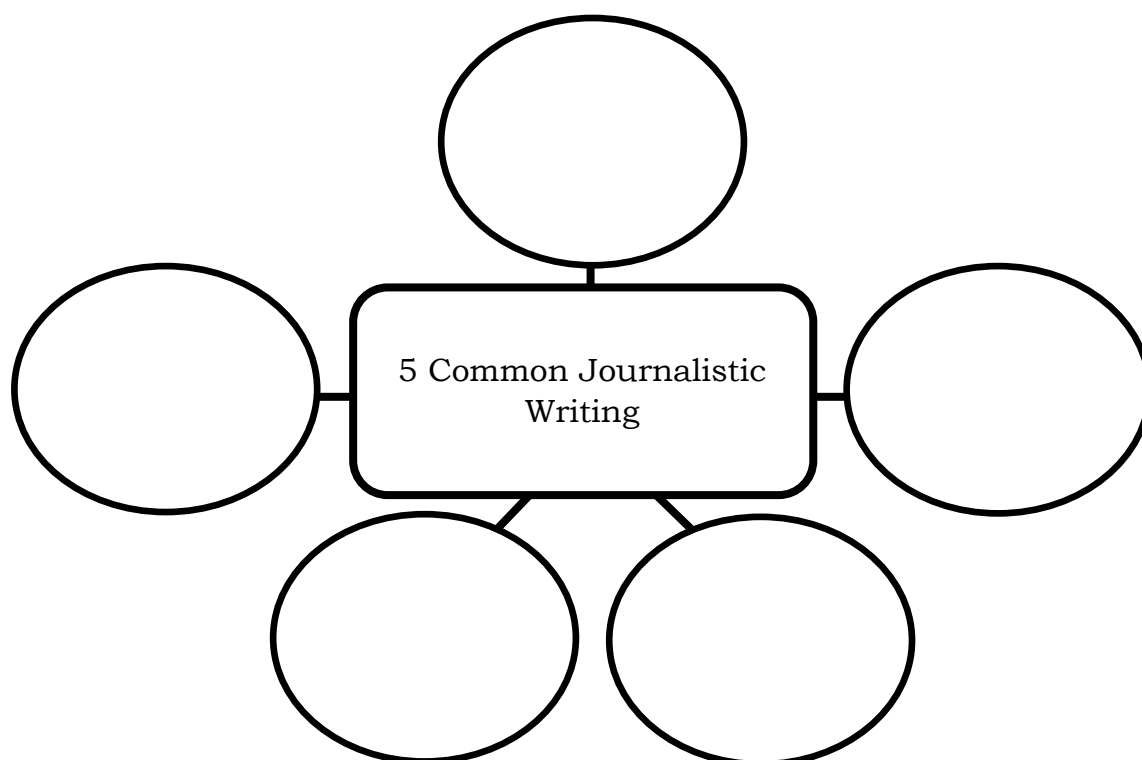


## What's More

**A. Directions:** Match Column A with the descriptions of the common journalistic writing in Column B.

A	B
___1. Sports News Writing	A. can be written in many forms, style and can cover many subjects.
___2. Editorial Writing	B. a timely and factual narration of past, present, and future event.
___3. Science and Technology Writing	C. filled with action and emotion of players who are idolized.
___4. News Writing	D. an expression of fact and opinion.
___5. Feature Writing	E. connecting science to the public.
	F. illustrates an informal drawing of a timely issue.

**B. Directions:** Fill out the concept map below.





## ***What I Have Learned***

**Directions:** Supply the appropriate word/concept that completes the thought of each sentence.

There are five common journalistic writing namely: \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ is timely, factual and attempts to answer all the basic questions about any event in the first two or three paragraphs.

\_\_\_\_\_ article is a written piece that focuses on the author's opinion of a current event or social issue.

\_\_\_\_\_ will often cover an issue in greater depth than a news story would do; or it might look at an ongoing story from a different angle.

\_\_\_\_\_ is connecting scientists with the public.

\_\_\_\_\_ primarily describes the most thrilling and eventful part of the game.



## ***What I Can Do***

**Directions:** Complete the table below by supplying what is asked.

CATEGORIES	SIMILARITIES	DIFFERENCES
1. NEWS		
EDITORIAL		
2. FEATURE		
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY		
3. SPORTS		
NEWS		



## Assessment

**Directions:** Read carefully the following articles and classify them according to their category. Choose your answer on the box and write the letter of your choice on the answer sheet.

- |            |                           |
|------------|---------------------------|
| A. News    | D. Editorial              |
| B. Feature | E. Science and Technology |
| C. Sports  |                           |

1.

**Two Sides of the Coin**  
**Pros and Cons of Face to Face Classes**  
Cyrille Louise H. Melad

For the past two years, learners have been confined in their respective homes, and learning has become limited. Despite this, the different learning delivery modalities kept pupils moving forward their educational milieu. Now that face to face classes have returned, the school community seems to have divergent reactions.

**Avenue for cultivation and growth**

The presence of a teacher and learners inside the classroom is unrivaled. With face-to-face classes, they can grow more within a group of people learning together as they learn from other pupils' questions and past experiences.

**Better understanding of lessons**

Pupils learn differently. During in-person classes, teachers can make use of varied strategies tailored fit to meet the needs and demands of their pupils. From the passive individuals they once were during the height of online learning, they now become active learners who find meaning in what they are learning. Since they take charge of what they study about, it is easier for them to understand concepts better. (The SEED, 2023)

2.

**TWCS Kids Step into the Realm of Fire Safety**  
**Education and Preparedness**  
Kean Antonne Lara

The Bureau of Fire Protection-Region 2 Cagayan Provincial Headquarters organized Fire Square Roadshow at SM City Tuguegarao, Tuguegarao City in observance of Fire Prevention Month showcasing the different roles of a modern firefighter on March 15-16.

In observance of Fire Prevention Month, Tuguegarao West Central School (TWCS) Grade VI SPED pupils and SELG Officers participated in the varied engaging activities to instill awareness in the younger generation about fire prevention education and emergency response.

“Yes, I am satisfied with the activities in the Fire Square Roadshow. As I observed, the pupils were participative, showing much interest in the activities. Also, I appreciate the work of the BFP knowing their duty is not only focused on firefighting but also includes medical and rescue services.” said by SF02 Teresita Yague, the Chief of Community Relations Unit (CRU). (Seed, TWCS Kids Step into the Realm of Fire Safety 2023)

3.

### **'Employees may skip work amid heat, but no pay'**

Workers may opt not to report for work to avoid scorching heat, but will not get paid for the day, according to the Department of Labor and Employment.

As provided under DOLE Advisory No.17-2022, Labor Secretary Bienvenido Laguesma said an employee has the option not to report for work due to dangers linked to extreme heat.

“Extreme heat is a form of weather disturbance, like El Niño. If reporting will expose the worker to danger, whether actual or imminent, then the worker is justified not to report or render work,” Laguesma disclosed (Jaymalin 2024).

4.

### **Lifeguards**

With high temperatures expected to prevail for the coming weeks, swimming will continue to be a popular activity. And the risk of drowning will remain high.

During the Holy Week break alone beginning on March 27, Holy Wednesday, the Philippine National Police recorded 29 deaths from 34 drowning incidents nationwide. The fatalities ranged in age from four to 78, the PNP reported. For the entire week beginning Palm Sunday, March 24, the PNP counted 37 deaths from drowning including 12 minors.

Most of the victims died in rivers; the rest drowned in the sea. The highest numbers were recorded in Calabarzon- Cavite, Laguna, Batangas, Rizal and Quezon – followed by the Ilocos region, Cagayan Valley, Bicol and Western Visayas. (The Philippine Star, April 8, 2024, p.6)

5.

### **Glorious lift in Phuket for Sarno**

Vanessa Sarno will have a chance to prove her worth as the new heiress to Hidilyn Diaz as she virtually booked a spot to the Paris Olympics this July.

The 20-year-old wonder girl from Tagbilaran, Bohol, tipped to succeed Tokyo Olympics gold winner Diaz, topped Group B of the women's 71-kilogram division in the IWF World Cup in Phuket, Thailand with a total lift of 245kg on 110kg from snatch and 135kg from clean and jerk.

Her snatch of 110kg eclipsed the national record of 108kg she set in the IWF Grand Prix in Doha, Qatar in December last year. (The Philippine Star, April 8, 2024, p.12)

6.

### **Aguilar's return puts him in mentor's role**

Japheth Aguilar no longer expected to be a part of Gilas Pilipinas' long-haul cast that will try to return to the next International Basketball Federation (Fiba) World Cup and crack the Summer Olympic Games.

In fact, the many-time skipper was surprised to see his name on the bulletin released by the Samahang Basketbol ng Pilipinas earlier this week.

But as soon as he realized how vital his role is, he was all in (Dalupang 2024).

7.

### **TXT today, 'Tomorrow,' forever SUPER**

SEOUL- Never has a group embodied their name more than the boys of Tomorrow X Together (TXT). Soobin, Yeon-jun, Beomgyu, Taehyun, and Hueningkai have always been known as innate story-tellers. Choosing to weave their emotions and experiences into their music. In their new offering "minisode 3: Tomorrow," the quintet embraces the inevitable uncertainties of the future, by choosing to look back on the past five years they've spent together.

#### **MORSE CODE**

Cutting in a seven-second audio of morse code into your EP is a move only the boys of TXT could get away with. A nod to their genesis and debut single "crown" (2019).

#### **'MIRACLE'**

In the synth-heavy "Miracle," the boys marvel at their present reality. The electronic rock track plays out like a love letter, an intimate message that TXT wrote for themselves and their MOAs (fandom name). It's a song designed to

culminate live performances, infectious bounciness and uplifting, a grateful ode to each other (Cabel 2024).

8.

### **Offline learning 2.0**

Jeff Collins M. Manuel

Say goodbye to boring classes and hello to the offline teacher strategies! Teachers are bringing back offline strategies to make learning more fun and engaging in face-to-face classes.

As digital learning continues to rise, some educators have gone back to traditional methods to make face-to-face classes more interesting. Offline teaching strategies are being implemented to create a more interactive and engaging learning experience.

#### **Having Fun in Learning!**

One popular strategy is using downloaded presentations, such as "Who Wants to be a Millionaire," "Maze Game," and "Spaceship Race." These games challenge students' knowledge and critical thinking skills.

Interactive games using hyperlinks, like "Mobile Legends Character Hunt" and "Throwback or Move On," are also being utilized. These games not only reinforce learning but also provide entertainment for the students. (The SEED, 2023)

9.

### **‘The Flor Contemplacion Story’ is a Call for Safe Spaces for Women**

The safety and security of women, especially those working abroad, continues to be a significant issue in modern society, as reflected in the classic 1995 film *The Flor Contemplacion Story*.

To celebrate National Women’s Month, CCP Cine Icons screened the Filipina domestic helper who was executed in Singapore after being convicted for murdering, a fellow Filipina and a three-year-old boy she was babysitting, and in part, unveiled the plight of Filipina overseas workers.

Directed by Joel Lamangan, written by National Artist Ricky Lee and Bonifacio Ilagan, and starring National Artist Nora Aunor, the film was both controversial and critically acclaimed for its intense portrayal of Contemplacion’s life and tragedy. (The Philippine Star, April 8, 2024, p.C4)

10.

### **Incy, Wincy Blisters**

Brianna Khailie D. Carag

Knocking at the harbor of some children's vanguard at Tuguegarao West Central School is a crude disease that has affected 14 Grade V pupils from the month of February and March.

Have you ever suffered from such? If not, let us learn some facts about the disease for you to be informed of its rudiments.

#### **WHAT IS IT?**

Chickenpox is an infection caused by the varicella-zoster virus. It causes an itchy rash with small, fluid-filled blisters. Chickenpox is highly contagious to people who haven't had the disease or been vaccinated against it.

#### **HOW IS CHICKENPOX SPREAD?**

- Encountering someone who has chickenpox.
- Breathing air from an infected person who sneezes or coughs.
- Coming in contact with fluids from an infected child's eyes, nose or mouth. (The SEED,2023)



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**RUBRIC:**

	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>SCORE</b>
<b>INTRODUCTION (Background) and CONCLUSION</b>	Well- developed introduction, engages the reader, and creates interest. Contains detailed background information. Conclusion effectively wraps up and goes beyond.	Introduction creates interest. Sufficient background information is provided. Conclusion effectively summarizes topics.	Introduction adequately explains the background but may lack details. Conclusion is recognizable and ties up almost all loose ends.	Background details are at random collection of information, unclear, or not related to the topic. Conclusion does not summarize main points.	
<b>MAIN POINTS (Body paragraphs)</b>	The main idea is clearly defined. Appropriate/ relevant information and details are shared from a variety of sources including personal experiences, observations, and prior knowledge. Supporting details are accurate, relevant, and helpful in clarifying the main idea(s).	The main idea can be identified. The writer shares relevant information, facts, and experiences. There is a clear distinction between general observations and specifics. Supporting details are relevant and explain the main idea.	The main idea can be identified. The writer shares some information, facts, and experiences, but may show problems going from general observations to specifics. Stronger support and greater attention to details would strengthen this paper.	More than one of the following problems may be evident. The main idea is not identifiable. The writer shares some information, but it is limited or unclear. Details are missing or repetitious.	
<b>ORGANIZATION (Structure Transition)</b>	Logical progression of ideas with a clear structure that enhances the topic. Transitions are mature and graceful.	Logical progression of ideas. Transitions are present equally throughout the essay.	Organization is clear. Transitions are present.	No discernable organization. Transitions are not present. Connections between ideas seem confusing or incomplete.	
<b>STYLE (Writer's voice, audience awareness)</b>	The paper is honest and enthusiastic. The language is natural yet thought-provoking. It brings the topic to life. The	Writer's voice is consistent and strong. The writer is aware of an audience. The reader is informed and remains	Writer's voice may emerge strongly on occasion, then retreat behind general, vague,	Writing is confusing, hard to follow. Language is vague. No audience awareness. No variety in	

	reader feels a strong sense of interaction with the writer and senses the person behind the words. Writing is smooth, skillful, and coherent. Sentences are strong and expressive with varied structure.	engaged. Sentences have varied structure.	tentative, or abstract language. The writer is aware of an audience. The reader is informed, but must work at remaining engaged. Sentence structure shows some variety.	sentence structure.	
MECHANICS (Spelling, punctuation, capitalization)	Punctuation, spelling, capitalization are correct. No errors.	Punctuation, spelling, capitalization are generally correct with few errors.(1-2)	A few errors in punctuation, spelling, and capitalization. (3-4)	Distracting errors in punctuation, spelling, and capitalization	
<b>GRADE EQUIVALENT:</b> <b>A - 18-20 points</b> <b>B - 15-17 points</b> <b>C - 10-14 points</b> <b>D - 6-9 points</b> <b>E - 1-5 points</b>			<b>TOTAL POINTS:</b>		



## Answer Key

<p><b>What I Can Do</b></p> <p>Answers Vary</p> <p><b>Assessment</b></p> <p>1. D 2. A 3. A 4. D 5. C 6. C 7. B 8. E 9. B 10. E</p> <p><b>Additional Activity</b></p> <p>Answers Vary</p>	<p><b>What's More</b></p> <p>A.</p> <p>1. C 2. D 3. E 4. B 5. A</p> <p>B. Answers Vary</p> <p><b>What I Have Learned</b></p> <p>1. News, Editorial, Feature, Science and Technology, Sports 2. News 3. Editorial 4. Feature 5. Science and Technology 6. Sports</p>	<p><b>What I Know</b></p> <p>1. A 2. C 3. D 4. A 5. B 6. D 7. C 8. E 9. B 10. E</p> <p><b>What's In</b></p> <p>1. A 2. A 3. D 4. C 5. A 6. C 7. B 8. B 9. C 10. D</p>
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