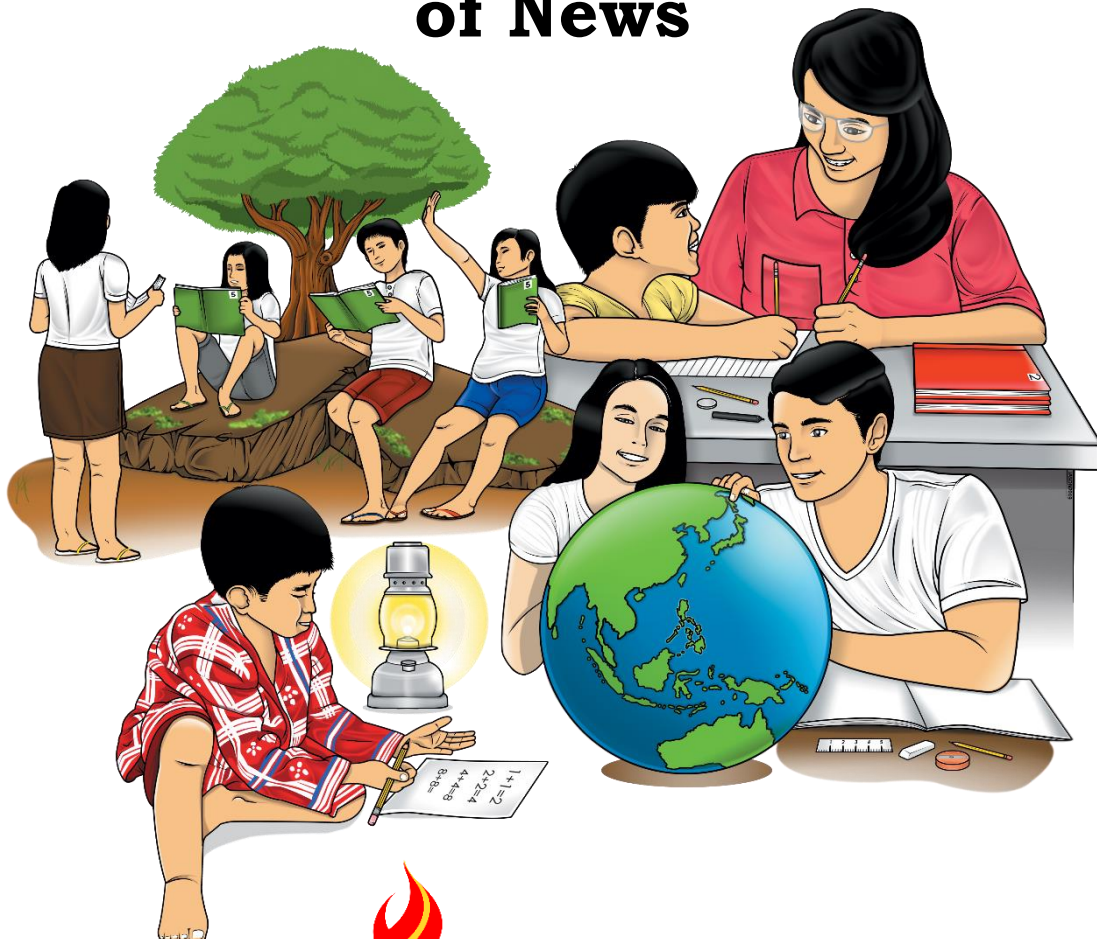


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# Introductory Message

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 define, and identify the characteristics and elements of news.

The module is divided into two lessons, namely:

- Lesson 1 – Identifying news and determining its characteristics
- Lesson 2 – Identify the elements of news

Competency: Identify the characteristics and elements of news  
***(SPJ5NEW-IIa-1 SPJ5NEW-IIa-2)***

After going through this module, you are expected to:

1. define news;
2. identify the characteristics of news;
3. differentiate the elements of news; and
4. compose an article using the different elements of news.



## ***What I Know***

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

- \_\_\_\_ 1. Which of the following refers to a timely and factual narration of past, present, and future events?  
A. Events  
B. Ideas  
C. Issues  
D. News
- \_\_\_\_ 2. Which of the following statements **does not** characterize news?  
A. News can create public awareness.  
B. News can be a source of public opinion.  
C. News can give updates for proper decision-making.  
D. News can solve all the problems of the teachers in the school.
- \_\_\_\_ 3. Karen read a news article narrating a story that happened a year ago and **does not have** any connection to the current events. What characteristic of news is missing in the story?  
A. Accurate  
B. Concise  
C. Objective  
D. Timely
- \_\_\_\_ 4. Jhonas read the news with specific details, and he was able to report exactly to his class all the details he got from it. What characteristic is evident in the news that Jose read?  
A. Accuracy  
B. Concise  
C. Objective  
D. Timely
- \_\_\_\_ 5. Mrs. Sanchez heard a news report of certain happenings in which she was involved. She was delighted to hear everything exactly as it happened. What characteristic of news is shown in the situation?  
A. Balance  
B. Factual  
C. Concise  
D. Timely
- \_\_\_\_ 6. What element of news deals with persons, places, things, and situations that are familiar to or of importance to the reader?  
A. Immediacy  
B. Oddity  
C. Prominence  
D. Proximity
- \_\_\_\_ 7. Jenny is interested in an article she is reading. She is from Barangay Masaya and the news story happened in the same barangay. What element is present in the news story?  
A. Human Interest  
B. Numbers and Statistics

- C. Prominence
- D. Proximity

- \_\_\_\_ 8. The people of Barangay Tahimik created much noise lately on social media. They posted an article that claimed that a cow in their neighborhood bore a goat. What news value does this article contain?
- A. Conflict
  - B. Calamity
  - C. Immediacy
  - D. Oddity
- \_\_\_\_ 9. What element of news deals with any disagreement between a man and his fellowman, man and nature, or man and himself?
- A. Calamity
  - B. Conflict
  - C. Name
  - D. Prominence
- \_\_\_\_ 10. Which element of news deals involves newsworthy people like those who pass the board examinations or win a contest?
- A. Names
  - B. Numbers and Statistics
  - C. Proximity
  - D. Significance

## Lesson

# 1

## Definition and Characteristics of News



This event just happened yesterday. How timely this is!



### ***What's In***

**A. Directions:** Identify the parts of the school publication described in each item. Choose the correct answer from the box below and write them on a separate sheet of paper.

Nameplate	Sports Page	Sci-Tech Page
Features Page	News Page	Folio

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. This contains the latest story on a basketball game played between two teams.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. It contains a text which discusses the healing properties of Gumamela.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. This is where we can read about the life story of Mang Bernardo, the school's utility worker and how he, as a widower, was able to send all his five children to school.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. It is the page that contains the banner story or the most important and latest event in the school or the community.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. This shows the name, volume, and issue number of the school paper.



## Guess Who?

**B. Directions:** Which editorial staff member is described in each item. Match column A with column B.

### A

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Checks facts, errors in grammar, spelling, punctuation usage and other errors of every article.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Helps in the page designing of the school paper.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Leads the team of writers who cover sporting events.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Assists the Editor-In- Chief in editing articles.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Takes pictures of events for the publication.

### B

- A. Associate Editor
- B. Sports Editor
- C. Features Editor
- D. Copy Editor
- E. Photojournalist
- F. Layout Artist



### ***Note to the Teacher***

As an enrichment activity, the learners may cut news articles from old newspapers and underline the words which are evidences of specific characteristics of news.



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

Do you read the daily news? What is news? Is it important for us to read the daily news?

Read the article below and find out what is it all about.

### **1,595 pupils participate in 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.

Furthermore, the School Disaster Risk Reduction Management (SDRRM) Team led by Juan Dela Cruz, SDRRM coordinator gathered the group to review the roles and responsibilities of each one to make sure that the activity will be done smoothly according to its plan.

To demonstrate some of the realities that can happen in an actual scenario, some learners were left in their rooms and were rescued.

The learners trapped in some of the buildings were assisted and those who acted to be injured during the so-called earthquake were given first aid so that children could witness how it is done.

Meanwhile, a post-evaluation of the activity was done at the school's gymnasium where pupils and all MES personnel were convened and processed the impact of the drill.

The psychosocial team conducted activities that relieved the stress that the learners experienced during the drill.

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1. What is the article all about?
2. Where did the event happen?
3. When did it happen?
4. How many people participated in the drill?
5. Why did the school conduct the drill?
6. Does the article show accuracy, balance, timeliness of the news? How?



## ***What is It***

The article presented is an example of News. What is news?

Campus Journalism defines news as a timely and factual narration of the past, present, and future events (Cecilia Cruz). This could be presented through oral, written, or visual mediums. It is oral if the medium used is the radio, written if it is through newspaper, magazine, and other reading material, and visual if it is through television, movie, and online/internet.

According to Soriano, et al (2012), the news is any oral, or written report of an event that happened, is happening, or will happen in the North, East, West, and South (NEWS) that is of interest to the reader, and which should be reported.

Malinao (2008) also attempted to define news by pointing out that news is basically about an event, idea, or reaction that is presented factually and simply in written form to give the reader an idea of what is currently happening around him or her, particularly on matters of interest to the community.

Another perspective about news is given by Estrada and Singh (1987), news is a timely factual report of events, ideas, or situations interesting or significant to people.

An additional viewpoint is also written by Puig and Flores (2005), news is any information that is significant to a particular set of readers.

News has different characteristics.

### **Characteristics of News**

1. **Accuracy** - It refers to the correctness of statements, names, figures, and other information.

#### **Examples:**

##### **CORRECT:**

At least 1,595 pupils of Malappo Elementary School (MES) participated in an unannounced Earthquake Drill in adherence to Memorandum no. 2023-04-1668 on the scheduled conduct of Calendar Year (CY) 2023 Quarterly Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) on March 22.

##### **INCORRECT:**

At least 1,000 pupils of Masippo Elementary School (MES) participated in an unannounced Earthquake Drill in adherence to Memorandum no. 2023-04-1668 on the scheduled conduct of Calendar Year (CY) 2023 Quarterly Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) last February 22.

2. **Objective** - The news does not take sides and is free of any impartiality.

**Examples:**

**CORRECT:**

Furthermore, the School Disaster Risk Reduction Management (SDRRM) Team led by Marites Palma, SDRRM coordinator gathered the group to review the roles and responsibilities of each one to make sure that the activity will be done smoothly according to its plan.

**INCORRECT:**

Furthermore, the School Disaster Risk Reduction Management (SDRRM) Team led by the brilliant and intelligent Marites Palma, SDRRM coordinator gathered the group to review the roles and responsibilities of each one to make sure that the activity will be done smoothly according to its plan.

3. **Factual** - It consists of actual persons and events with nothing invented.

**Examples:**

**CORRECT:**

At least 1,595 pupils of Malappo Elementary School (MES) participated in an unannounced Earthquake Drill in adherence to Memorandum no. 2023-04-1668 on the scheduled conduct of Calendar Year (CY) 2023 Quarterly Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) on March 22, 2024.

**INCORRECT:**

At least 1,595 teachers of Mabuti Elementary School (MES) participated in an unannounced Earthquake Drill in adherence to Memorandum no. 2023-04-1668 on the scheduled conduct of Calendar Year (CY) 2023 Quarterly Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) on March 22, 2024.

4. **Balance** - It gives proper emphasis on each fact concerning other facts; it also gives attention to both sides in a controversial issue.

**Examples:**

**CORRECT:**

This activity is observed religiously to ensure awareness and preparedness for the impending threat of an earthquake even during the pandemic.

**INCORRECT:**

This activity is observed religiously to ensure awareness and preparedness of Malappo Elementary School compared to other schools in the division.

5. **Concise** - It is short enough to contain the most important facts.

At least 1,595 pupils of Malappo Elementary School (MES) participated in an unannounced Earthquake Drill in adherence to Memorandum no. 2023-04-1668 on the scheduled conduct of Calendar Year (CY) 2023 Quarterly Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) on March 22, 2024.

**Examples:**

**CORRECT:**

At least 1,595 pupils of Malappo Elementary School (MES) participated in an unannounced Earthquake Drill in adherence to Memorandum no. 2023-04-1668 on the scheduled conduct of Calendar Year (CY) 2023 Quarterly Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) on March 22, 2024.

**INCORRECT:**

At least 1,595 pupils of Malappo Elementary School (MES) participated in an unannounced Earthquake Drill in adherence to Memorandum no. 2023-04-1668 on the scheduled conduct of Calendar Year (CY) 2023 Quarterly Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) on March 22, 2024 and this activity is observed religiously to ensure awareness and preparedness for the impending threat of an earthquake even during pandemic.

6. **Timely** - It refers to the freshness or immediacy of the event.

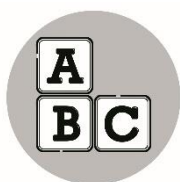
**Examples:**

**CORRECT:**

At least 1,595 pupils of Malappo Elementary School (MES) participated in an unannounced Earthquake Drill in adherence to Memorandum no. 2023-04-1668 on the scheduled conduct of Calendar Year (CY) 2023 Quarterly Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) on March 22, 2024.

**INCORRECT:**

At least 1,595 pupils of Malappo Elementary School (MES) participated in an unannounced Earthquake Drill in adherence to Memorandum no. 2019-04-1668 on the scheduled conduct of Calendar Year (CY) 2019 Quarterly Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) on March 22, 2019.



## ***What's More***

**Directions:** Write **C** if the paragraph lifted from the news exhibits the characteristics of a news story and **IC** if it does not.

- \_\_\_\_\_1.      a. More than 50,000 Tuguegaraoños including tourists witnessed the Pavvurulun Afi Festival, street dancing held at the Sts. Peter and Paul Cathedral grounds near People's General Hospital, August 10.
- \_\_\_\_\_      b. More than 50,000 Tuguegaraoños including tourists witnessed the Parruvulun Afi Festival, street dancing held at the Sts. Peter and Paul Cathedral grounds near Saint Paul University, February 16.
- \_\_\_\_\_2.      a. The ever-active and generous Alibabag barangay captain, Jake Procopio, turned over five big plastic trash bins to the recipient school, Malappo Elementary School, for being declared as the Cleanest School in the 2024 Search for the Clean and Green School last February 14.
- \_\_\_\_\_      b. Alibabag Barangay Captain Jake Procopio turned over five big plastic trash bins to the recipient school, Malappo Elementary School, for being declared as the Cleanest School in the 2024 Search for the Clean and Green School last February 14.
- \_\_\_\_\_3.      a. Filipinos celebrate Labor Day to remember the heroism of their Filipino forefathers every June 22.
- \_\_\_\_\_      b. Filipinos celebrate Independence Day to remember the heroism of their Filipino forefathers every June 12.
- \_\_\_\_\_4.      a. Masippo Elementary School (MES) received tons of donations in kind, cash, and services during the implementation of Brigada Eskwela (BE) and bagged the most coveted title Best Brigada Eskwela Implementer- Mega category for this School Year 2023-2024.
- \_\_\_\_\_      b. Masippo Elementary School (MES) received tons of donations in kind, cash, and services during the implementation of Brigada Eskwela (BE) and bagged the most coveted title Best Brigada Eskwela Implementer- Mega category for this School Year 2022-2023. MES through the leadership of Gregorio Magalpoc,

principal, conducted a kick-off program participated by its internal and external stakeholders where the planned activities and projects for the duration of Brigada month were presented.

- \_\_\_\_\_5. a. To achieve the goal of No Child Left Behind and Every Child a Reader, Minammarulo Elementary School (MES) designed a reading intervention program dubbed Project HELPER (Honing Emerging Learners in Literacy through Pull-out Program to Enhance their Reading Skills) for the school year 2010-2011.
- \_\_\_\_\_ b. To achieve the goal of No Child Left Behind and Every Child a Reader, Minammarulo Elementary School (MES) designed a reading intervention program dubbed Project HELPER (Honing Emerging Learners in Literacy through Pull-out Program to Enhance their Reading Skills) for the school year 2023-2024.



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

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

News is a factual and \_\_\_\_\_ narration of the past, present, and future events. This could be presented through \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, or visual mediums.

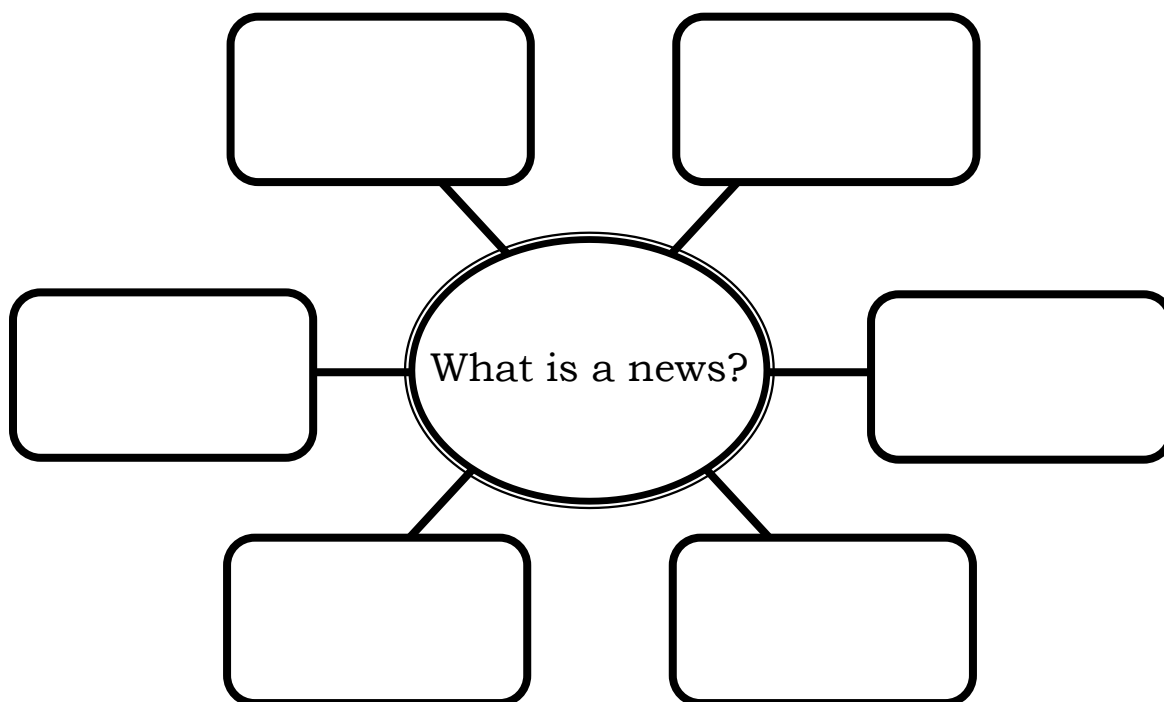
News has different characteristics. Accuracy refers to the \_\_\_\_\_ of statements, names, figures, and other information. Objective news does not \_\_\_\_\_ and is free of any impartiality. \_\_\_\_\_ news consists of actual persons and events with nothing invented. \_\_\_\_\_ news gives proper emphasis on each fact concerning other facts. \_\_\_\_\_ news is short enough to contain the most important facts. Lastly, \_\_\_\_\_ news refers to the freshness or immediacy of the most important event.



## What I Can Do

### Activity 1: Fill Me

**Directions:** Write at least 6 words associated to news.



### Activity II: Find Me

**Directions:** Look for the different characteristics of news written horizontally and vertically in the word search. Encircle them.

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## Assessment

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



- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Which of the following refers to a timely and factual narration of past, present, and future events?  
A. Events  
B. Ideas  
C. Issues  
D. News
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Which of the following statements best defines news?  
A. News can create more problems in school.  
B. News can eradicate problems in the school.  
C. News does not help eliminate problems in school.  
D. News can eradicate specific problems only in school.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. News can be accessed through different platforms. They can be accessed through the following except one. Which one is it?  
A. Newspaper  
B. Online  
C. Radio  
D. Textbooks
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Which is the commonly used platform where learners at the elementary level publish their news stories?  
A. Brochure  
B. Flyer  
C. Poster  
D. School paper
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. What characteristic does the news have if it is short enough to contain the most important facts?  
A. Balance  
B. Concise  
C. Factual  
D. Timely
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. What characteristic does the news have if it gives proper emphasis on each fact in relation to the other facts?  
A. Accuracy  
B. Balance  
C. Objective  
D. Timely
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Nora read news from an online source about an event which has just happened. What characteristic of news does it have?  
A. Accurate  
B. Concise  
C. Objective  
D. Timely

- \_\_\_\_\_8. Jose read the news with too many details, and he was not able to understand it. What characteristic is not evident in the news that Jose read?
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| A. Accuracy | C. Objective |
| B. Concise  | D. Timely    |
- \_\_\_\_\_9. Michael read an advance news about an event which will be held at the People's Gym on March 22. On that day, Michael went to the People's Gym, and to his dismay, the place was empty. What characteristic of news is missing?
- |             |            |
|-------------|------------|
| A. Accuracy | C. Factual |
| B. Concise  | D. Timely  |
- \_\_\_\_\_10. Mrs. Santos heard a news report of certain happenings where she was involved in a vehicular accident. The reporter aired the side of the driver but her side as a victim was not aired though she was interviewed. What characteristic of news is not shown in the situation?
- |            |            |
|------------|------------|
| A. Balance | C. Factual |
| B. Concise | D. Timely  |



## Additional Activities

**Directions:** Read and evaluate the news. Basing on the characteristics of news, identify if each paragraph is correct or incorrect. Put a check mark ( ✓ ) on the space provided if the paragraph is correct and a cross mark ( ✕ ) if it is incorrect. Underline the errors found, then, rewrite the news with the necessary corrections made.

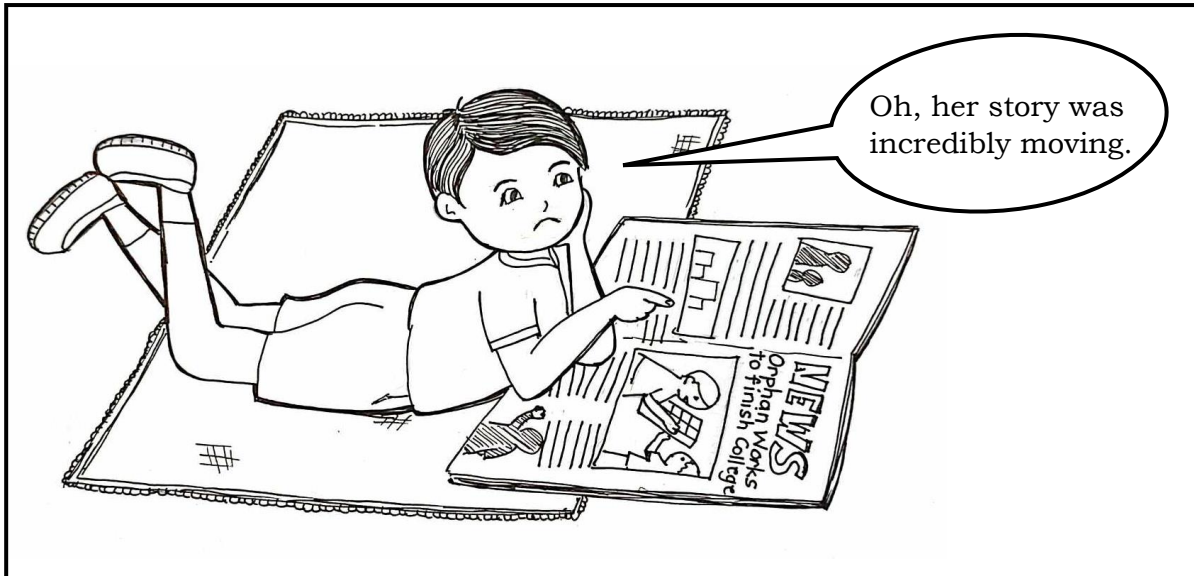
<div style="text-align: center;">  or  </div>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TWCS Kids Step Into the Realm of Fire Safety Education and Preparedness</b> Kean Antonne Lara</p>
	<p>The Bureau of Fire Protection-Region 2 Cagayan Provincial Headquarters organized Fire Square Roadshow at SM City Tuguegarao, 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.</p>
	<p>“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 the ever active and supportive SF02 Teresita Yague, the Chief of Community Relations Unit (CRU).</p>
	<p>The event offered a wide variety of educational and fun learning activities such as the BFP Uniform Exhibit, Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus, Firefighting equipment, First-Aid Kits, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation(CPR), Smoke Control Room Maze, Wall climbing and Rappelling, Snake and Ladder Game, Fire Extinguishment, and Electric game designed to promote fire awareness in a creative and adventurous way that highlights the need for educating the youth about safety through interactive and engaging activities.</p>
	<p>This roadshow was an impactful and collaborative event that sought to inform and empower the local population by instructing fire safety and preventive actions to mitigate the danger caused by disasters.</p>

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## Lesson

# 2

## Identifying Elements of News



### What's In

#### Activity I: Configuration Clues

**Directions:** Fill the box with the appropriate letter to complete the word. The words tell us the different elements of news.

1. involves newsworthy people like those who pass the board examinations or win a contest

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2. refers not only to the importance of the event but also to how it will affect the readers

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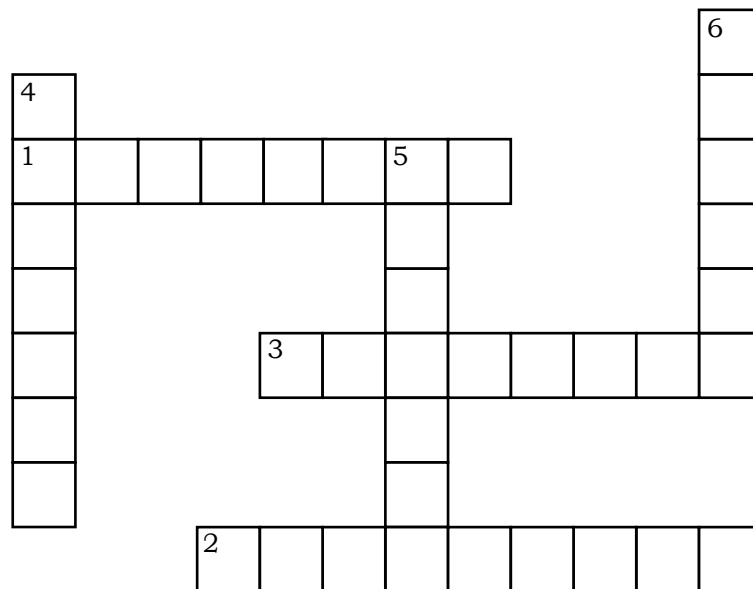
3. deals with persons, places, things, and situations which are familiar to or of importance to the reader

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- A diagram of a linked list structure. It consists of seven rectangular nodes arranged in a horizontal row. The first node contains the letter 'c'. The second node is empty. The third node contains the letter 'n'. The fourth and fifth nodes are empty and are connected by a vertical line, indicating they are part of the same node or a multi-cell node. The sixth node contains the letter 'i'. The seventh node contains the letter 'c'. The nodes are connected by horizontal lines, suggesting a sequence or a linked list structure.

**Directions:** Use the clues below to fill in the crossword puzzle with the correct word.



1. It refers to the correctness of statements, names, figures, and other information.
2. The news does not take sides and is free of any impartiality.
3. It consists of actual persons and events with nothing invented.

4. It gives proper emphasis on each fact concerning other facts; it also gives attention to both sides of a controversial issue.
5. It is short enough to contain the most important facts.
6. It refers to the freshness or immediacy of the event.



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

Are you fond of reading the newspaper? Which part of the newspaper is your favorite one?

News is information published in newspapers and broadcast on radio and television about recent events in the country or world or a particular area of activity.

News has different elements. Journalists are the best judges of what news is and what is not. They make this decision based on certain news values or elements.

**Read the article below then decide if it is news or not.**

LUCENA CITY — The biggest public high school in Quezon province located in this city will limit its days for in-person classes starting Monday, April 8, to protect teachers and students from the extreme heat.

“The Office of the School Principal announces the transition to limited face-to-face classes starting April 8, 2024 (Monday) until such time that the temperature becomes tolerable again,” the Quezon National High School posted this advisory on its Facebook page on Thursday, April 4.

The advisory announced that “Junior High School (JHS) students will attend school twice a week during the morning hours only, while students belonging to the Special Programs will adhere to their usual schedule but will only report to school twice a week as well.”

“Senior High School (SHS) students will attend classes only in the morning. Grade 11 students are scheduled to report on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, whereas Grade 12 students will report to school on Tuesdays and Thursdays,” the advisory stated.

The morning session and Special Programs will have their face-to-face classes on Mondays and Wednesdays, while the sessions will hold their classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

“Fridays will continue to be designated as catch-up Fridays. Teachers are required to send reading activity sheets to students for completion at home,” the announcement said.

It said that teachers handling the morning session are not required to report to school on Tuesdays and Thursdays, while the afternoon session teachers are not required to report on Mondays and Wednesdays “to give them time to prepare activity sheets to be used for the limited F2F or conduct online classes (if needed) at the comfort of their homes.”

## QUESTIONS:

1. What is the story all about? Is it a news story? Why? Why not?
2. When did the news story happen? Is it timely?
3. Where did the news story happen?
4. Is the content of the news story important to you? Why? Why not?
5. If you are the mayor of the Lucena City, would you also do the same? Why? Why not?



## What is It

Knowing the elements of news is significant to you as a learner. Why? Understanding the elements of news will also help you understand and appreciate news stories more.

The following are the different elements of news:

### Elements of News

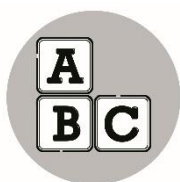
1. **Prominence** – deals with persons, places, things, and situations which are familiar to or of importance to the reader. For campus papers, prominent personalities include the *Supreme Elementary Learners' Government (SELG) president, the principal, the pupil who won in a national/international competition, and the like.*
2. **Proximity** – is the nearness of the event to the readers. *In the context of the news in the school for pupils in Tuguegarao what is happening to Tuguegarao East Central School will be of interest to them than what is happening to Palawan Central School.*

The new schedule, according to the advisory, complied with Regional Memorandum No. 233 s. 2024 or the Adoption of Modular Distance Learning and Preventive Measures during Extremely High Temperatures issued by lawyer Alberto Escobarte, director of the Department of Education in Region 4A on April 1.

Based on the state weather bureau's latest forecast, several areas across the country are expected to experience "danger category" heat indexes exceeding 42 degrees Celsius. (Delfin T. Mallari 2024)



3. **Immediacy** – refers to the timeliness of the event. *For instance, Pertussis is more appealing to the pupils rather than the news about COVID-19.*
4. **Oddity** – is an unusual or deviation from the normal course of events like a *pregnant man, a bearded woman, a twenty-eight-year-old pupil who has just graduated from elementary*, and others that are newsworthy.
5. **Human Interest** – deals with events that are appealing to the emotions. An example of this, is a *grandfather repairing shoes along the sidewalk to support his eight grandchildren, an orphan supporting himself at an early age, and others that touch the heart.*
6. **Conflict** – deals with any disagreement between a man and his fellowman, man and nature, or man and himself.
7. **Names** – involves newsworthy people like *those who pass the board examinations or win a contest.*
8. **Numbers and Statistics** – *results of sweepstakes, raffle draws, vital statistics of celebrities, cases of COVID-19 positive, deaths and recovered and even peso-dollar equivalent make good news.*
9. **Romance and Adventure** – “Love makes the world go round,” so a song says. Hence, *stories about love, including adventure, especially among celebrities and prominent people can arouse/ignite the reader’s interest.*
10. **Significance** – refers not only to the importance of the event but also to how it will affect the readers. In the campus setting, highly significant topics include *new rules imposed by the administration or the pupil government, upcoming big events/ projects, results Philippines Science Entrance Examination, and the like.*
11. **Development and progress** - like *putting up of schools, buildings, bridges, newly donated laboratory equipment from alumni abroad, and the like that could be news items.*
12. **Animals** – especially those unusual ones are also newsworthy like a *dog sent for an errand because its master is sick or cannot do the job.*
13. **Calamity** – newspaper pages devote stories and photos describing casualties caused by *earthquakes, typhoons, and other disasters.*



## ***What's More***

**Directions:** Read the following part of articles lifted from the web then identify the elements shown.

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. Based on the state weather bureau's latest forecast, several areas across the country are expected to experience "danger category" heat indexes exceeding 42 degrees Celsius. (Delfin T. Mallari 2024)

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. MANILA, Philippines — President Ferdinand "Bongbong" Marcos Jr. instructed his cabinet secretaries to submit their proposals on how to alleviate the country's worsening traffic crisis, according to National Economic and Development Authority (Neda) Secretary Arsenio Balisacan on Thursday. (Mangaluz 2024)

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Influencer Slammed for Wearing Live Chick on Her Head as Bizarre Headgear

Filipino online influencer Adan Abanada has come under fire for alleged animal cruelty after being spotted wearing a live chick in a small metal cage on his head on the streets of Manila. (Spooky 2024)

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. 2023 Bar topnotcher receives almost P2 million in incentives

MANILA, Philippines — The 2023 Bar exams topnotcher Ephraim Bie has received almost P2 million worth of incentives from members of the University of Santo Tomas (UST) Law community.

Bie scored 89.2625 percent in the 2023 Bar exams, the results of which were released on December 5. (Parungao 2023)

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. For the past two weeks, the Philippines army has been fighting Islamist militants in the southern city of Marawi. So far, the conflict has killed at least 170 people, including 20 civilians, and more than 180,000 residents have fled. The BBC's Southeast Asia correspondent Jonathan Head reports from Marawi. (BBC 2017)

\_\_\_\_\_ 6. What made Anne Curtis accept lead role in 'It's Okay to Not Be Okay' PH remake

The moment Anne Curtis watched "It's Okay to Not Be Okay" in 2021, she knew in her heart that she wanted to portray the role of Ko Moon-young which originally starred Seo Yea-ji.

Three years later, she will star as Emilia "Mia" Hernandez in the Philippine adaptation of the hit K-drama. She will be joined by Joshua

Garcia and Carlo Aquino who will take on the local counterparts of Kim Soo-hyun and Oh Jung-se's characters, respectively. (MALLORCA, 2024)

\_\_\_\_\_7. 2 Filipinos killed in Israel-Hamas conflict: DFA chief

MANILA – The Philippine government confirmed on Wednesday that two Filipinos were killed in the war between Israeli forces and the Hamas group. (Rocamora, 2023)

\_\_\_\_\_8. Meet Binangonan's 'hero' teacher

To capture the interest of students, teacher Aileen Sto. Domingo wears different costumes of Filipino heroes and literary characters in class. (inquirer.net,2024)

\_\_\_\_\_9. 30,000 beneficiaries receive P286-M aid in CDO BPSF

MANILA, Philippines — House of Representatives Speaker Ferdinand Martin Romualdez on Friday said a total of P286 million worth of assistance and government services and programs were delivered to beneficiaries during the Bagong Pilipinas Serbisyo Fair (BPSF) in Cagayan de Oro City.

Romualdez, in a statement, said that around 30,000 beneficiaries received assistance during the two-day BPSF in Cagayan de Oro city from May 16 to 17. (LALU, 2024)

\_\_\_\_\_10. A hero can be anyone: Puppy saves 5-year-old girl from burning house in GenSan

MANILA, Philippines — A four-month-old Belgian Malinois puppy saved a five-year-old child sleeping inside a burning house in General Santos recently. (Severo, 2024)



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

**Directions:** Match Column A with Column B. Write your answer on the space provided before the number.

### **A**

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. It refers to the timeliness of the event.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. It is the nearness of the event to the readers.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Deals with persons, places, things, and situations which are familiar to or of importance to the reader.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. It deals with any disagreement between a man and his fellowmen, man and nature, or man and himself.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. It deals with events that are appealing to the emotions.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Which news element refers not only to the importance of the event but also to how it will affect the readers.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. News element which involves newsworthy people like those who pass the board examinations or win a contest.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. It is an unusual or deviation from the normal course of events like a pregnant man, a bearded woman, a twenty-eight-year-old pupil who has just graduated from elementary, and others that are newsworthy.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. It is an element which refers to progress like putting up of schools, buildings, bridges, newly donated laboratory equipment from alumni abroad, and the like that could be news items.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. It is an element of news that deals on stories about love, including adventure, especially among celebrities and prominent people can arouse/ignite the reader's interest.

### **B**

- A. Proximity
- B. Prominence
- C. Conflict
- D. Human Interest
- E. Immediacy
- F. Romance and Adventure
- G. Oddity
- H. Names
- I. Significance
- J. Development



## What I Can Do

### Activity I: Bubble Speech

**Directions:** Identify the element of news present in the following speech bubbles.

**1 LGU implements Blended Learning in Tug. City due to excessive heat**

The Local Government Unit of Tuguegarao City through Mayor Maila Rosario S. Ting implemented a blended modality in all public schools from Kindergarten to Senior High School in the Division of Tuguegarao City due to the excessive heat starting April 4 to May 06.

**2 Love and Resilience**

An average bahay kubo or nipa hut can last for 20 years. The marriage of Tatay Poldo and Nanay Ester Abu has now outlived their house for the third time. This time, their house is now as resilient to disasters as their marriage.

**5 2050 pupils join fun run for a cause**

A total of 2050 learners participated in the "Fun Run for a cause" organized by the Alumni Association of Fugac Elementary School in order to raise funds for their projects.

**3 Love prevails amid Covid-19 pandemic**

MANILA – Not even the coronavirus disease 2019 (Covid-19) pandemic can dampen the innate romantic traits of Filipinos on Valentine's Day Monday. Social media platforms were filled with posts and photos of flower gifts among couples and within families. Au Pangan-Martillo proudly posted a picture of the roses she and her three teenaged daughters received from her husband, Chi.

**4**

Angela Baccay of Brgy. Dabba in Lagum, Peñablanca, Cagayan was surprised when her carabao gave birth to a six-legged caracalf. The caracalf, dubbed as 'Baby Kalabaw,' has four front legs and two hind legs. It is also cross-eyed and has a misplaced tail.



## Activity II: Mix and Match

**Directions:** Read the leads below then match it with the correct element from the box.

Names	Calamity	Human Interest
Significance	Development	

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. The Supreme Elementary Learners Government of Matatag Elementary School implemented the new school policy on “Anti-Bullying” aimed to respect and protect the rights of every learner in school.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Maligaya Elementary School tendered a thanksgiving party to honor Dionicia Dela Cruz, one of their alumnus who topped the Licensure Examination for Nurses recently.

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Agusan Sur declared under state of calamity

BUTUAN CITY – Agusan del Sur province has been placed under a state of calamity as floods hit most towns in the area due to heavy rains caused by the shear line and trough of the low-pressure area in the last three days. (Lopez, 2024)

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Tahimik Elementary School inaugurated its newly turned-over four-story building donated by the Local Government Unit intended for Grades-4-6 classes.

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. Kids brave streets’ dangers to earn

Despite the dangers they may encounter in the streets, some kids in Lapu-Lapu City continue to sell newspapers late at night till early dawn to help provide for their families’ needs.

At 11 p.m., “Gil” carries four dozen local newspapers in his hands, as he calls out to taxi drivers, pedicab drivers, and passengers to buy tomorrow’s newspapers. (News, 2024)



\_\_\_\_\_1. The principal of Nemammo Elementary School suspends class due the on-going conflict between Military forces and the lefties in their barangay where the school is located.

- \_\_\_\_\_2. The Magayayya Elementary School recognized one of their alumna, Teodoro Magalpoc after topping the Licensure of Examination of Criminologist.

- \_\_\_\_\_3. Reyma Soria, a 44-year-old who finished her Kindergarten education at Ziraya Elementary School was interviewed by a famous broadcast journalist last Saturday.

While running errands for some teachers she attended classes in kindergarten and last July, she was among the kindergarten completers.

- \_\_\_\_\_4. Malappo Elementary School is geared toward addressing the shortage of classrooms by the construction of a four-story building, scheduled to be opened next school year 2024-2025.

- \_\_\_\_\_5. At least nine people were killed and more than 800 injured on Wednesday by a 7.4-magnitude earthquake in Taiwan that damaged dozens of buildings and prompted tsunami warnings that extended to Japan and the Philippines before being lifted. (France-Presse 2024)

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**B. Directions:** Identify the element of news described in each item. Choose your answer from the given options.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Which element is the results of sweepstakes, raffle draws, vital statistics of celebrities, cases of COVID-19 positive, deaths and recovered, and even peso-dollar equivalent?
- A. Development                      C. Numbers and Statistics  
B. Names                                D. Significance
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. What element is seen in news stories like putting up of schools, buildings, bridges, and newly donated laboratory equipment from alumni abroad?
- A. Development                      C. Numbers and Statistics  
B. Names                                D. Significance
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Jenny is interested in an article she is reading. She is from Barangay Masaya and the news story happened in the same barangay. What element is present in the news story?
- A. Human Interest                      C. Proximity  
B. Prominence                          D. Numbers and Statistics
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. What element of news is present in stories like a dog sent for an errand because its master is sick or cannot do the job?
- A. Animals  
B. Numbers and Statistics  
C. Prominence  
D. Proximity
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. The people of Barangay Tahimik created much noise lately on social media. They posted an article that claimed that a cow in their neighborhood bore a goat. What news value does this article contain?
- A. Calamity                                C. Immediacy  
B. Conflict                                 D. Oddity





## Additional Activity

**Directions:** Write a news lead showing the following element of news. Be guided by the Rubrics below.

1. Prominence
2. Proximity
3. Oddity
4. Names
5. Human Interests

### RUBRIC FOR EVALUATING THE ELEMENTS OF NEWS

Criteria	1	2	3
1. Does the lead contain <b>prominence</b> ?	The news does not contain any prominent person in its story	The news uses a character who is not quite popular with the readers.	The news contains a prominent person in its story
2. Does the setting show <b>proximity</b> ?	The setting is described with vague details and setting are very far from the readers.	The setting is described with some details and it shows that the distance to the readers is somewhat near.	The setting is described with complete details and it's very near to the readers.
3. Is there an element of <b>Oddity</b> in the lead?	The news did not use any element related to oddity.	The news shows oddity but it's vague.	The news shows oddity and it is presented clearly.
4. Are the names in the lead newsworthy	The news contains names that are not newsworthy	The news story contains names that are a bit newsworthy	The news story contains that are newsworthy
5. Does the lead contain a human interest story	The lead does not contain any element of human interest.	The lead contains a little element of human interest	The lead contains more elements of human interest.



## Answer Key: Lesson 1

<p><b>What I Can Do</b></p> <p>A. Answers Vary B. 1. Accuracy 2. Objective 3. Factual 4. Balance 5. Concise 6. Timely</p> <p><b>Assessment</b></p> <p>1. D 2. B 3. D 4. C 5. B 6. B 7. A 8. B 9. A 10. A</p>	<p><b>What's More</b></p> <p>1. C 2. IC 3. IC 4. C 5. IC 6. C 7. IC 8. C 9. IC 10. IC</p> <p><b>What I Have Learned</b></p> <p>1. timely 2. Oral 3. Written 4. Correctness 5. Take sides 6. Factual 7. Balance 8. Timely</p>	<p><b>What I Know</b></p> <p>1. D 2. A 3. C 4. A 5. A 6. C 7. D 8. D 9. B 10. D</p> <p><b>What's In</b></p> <p>1. Sports Page 2. Sci-tech Page 3. Feature Page 4. News Page 5. Nameplate</p> <p><b>Guess Who?</b></p> <p>1. D 2. F 3. B 4. A 5. E</p>
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## **Additional Activities**

### **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).

The event offered a wide variety of educational and fun learning activities such as the BFP Uniform Exhibit, Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus, Firefighting equipment, First-Aid Kits, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation(CPR), Smoke Control Room Maze, Wall climbing and Rappeling, Snake and Ladder Game, Fire Extinguishment, and Electric game designed to promote fire awareness in a creative and adventurous way that highlights the need for educating the youth about safety through interactive and engaging activities. This roadshow was an impactful and collaborative event that sought to inform and empower the local population by instructing fire safety and preventive actions to mitigate the danger caused by disasters.



## Answer Key: Lesson 2

<p><b>What I Can Do</b></p> <p><b>A. Bubble Speech</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prominence</li> <li>Human Interest</li> <li>Romance and Adventure</li> <li>Oddity</li> <li>Number</li> </ol> <p><b>B. Bubble Speech</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Significance</li> <li>Names</li> <li>Calamity</li> <li>Development</li> <li>Human Interest</li> </ol> <p><b>Assessment</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A</li> <li>A</li> <li>A</li> <li>B</li> <li>A</li> <li>C</li> <li>A</li> <li>C</li> <li>A</li> <li>D</li> </ol> <p><b>Additional Activity</b></p> <p>Answers Vary</p>	<p><b>What's More</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Immediacy</li> <li>Prominence</li> <li>Oddity</li> <li>Names</li> <li>Conflict</li> <li>Prominence</li> <li>Conflict</li> <li>Oddity</li> <li>Numbers</li> <li>Animals</li> </ol> <p><b>What I Have Learned</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>E</li> <li>A</li> <li>B</li> <li>C</li> <li>D</li> <li>I</li> <li>H</li> <li>G</li> <li>J</li> <li>F</li> </ol>	<p><b>What's In</b></p> <p><b>A. Configuration Clues</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Name</li> <li>Significance</li> <li>Prominence</li> <li>Immediacy</li> <li>Conflict</li> </ol> <p><b>B. Crossword Puzzle</b></p> <p><b>Across</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accuracy</li> <li>Objective</li> <li>Factual</li> </ol> <p><b>Down</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Balance</li> <li>Concise</li> <li>Timely</li> </ol>
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