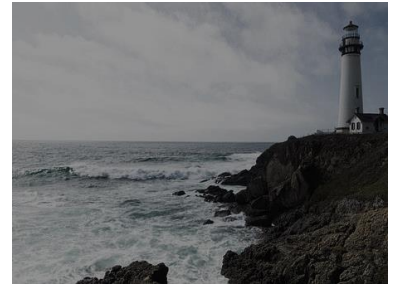


Lighthouse Newspaper Report plan - EXAMPLE PLAN

Remember to write in formal language (third person - he, she, them, they) and past tense.

Remember to include interviews with key characters/witnesses.

Remember to describe how your characters felt and what they said using quotes.



Headline (alliteration, pun (funny) - short, just a few words)	Community Lights the Way / Lighthouse Lamp Disaster Averted / Ship Saved by Caring Community (see below for more ideas)
Introductory Paragraph. Set the scene and briefly describe WHAT happened, WHEN, WHERE and WHO was involved.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community saved the day • Lighthouse keeper smashed lantern • Happened last night • Briar's Rock Lighthouse • Harold Thomas- 56 • Smashed glass / • Making repairs / • Had made repairs before
Further information about the setting. Other character's ideas about main character.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lighthouse is over 100 years old • Stands on Briar's Rock above a particularly hazardous strip of coastline with rock formations known as Poseidon's Footsteps • Briar's Rock village has a population of around 250 people • Quote from villager about Harold Thomas: 'He very rarely comes into the village and has always seemed a bit of a loner. I've lived here for 10 years and I think I've only spoken to him once!'
WHY or HOW - Description of what happened	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boats in danger • The quick thinking villagers leapt into action • Using all the lanterns they had they rushed to his aid • Quote from villager about the incident "We all wanted to help. My family have lived here for 75 years and there has never been a boat lost to the rocks" • Quote from Crew Member "Suddenly we saw a light and realised we were near the rocks. The villagers' actions saved us!"
Further information about the main character.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carrying out repair work, Mr Harold Thomas, 56 had an accident with the main light • After the accident, Mr Thomas feared for the safety of the ships
Further quote from main character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quote from Mr Thomas "I thought they'd all be doomed! I didn't know what to do"
Comment from the reporter	By working together, the community were able to avert disaster and save the lives of the people on the ship.
Final closing sentence.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describing his relief, Mr Thomas thanked the villagers for their actions • Quote from Mr Thomas "If it hadn't been for the folk of the village, the ship would have sank. Thank you for your quick thinking" Repairs are due to be made and the Lighthouse should be working again within 2 days.

Headlines

Community steps up to help
lighthouse keeper

**De-light-fuelled
ending for
lighthouse keeper**

**Boat bypasses boulders
because of rapid response
by residents**

**FRIGHT IN THE NIGHT
WITH NO LIGHT**

**Boat avoids peril
when lighthouse
lantern smashes**

SAVED!

Example Report

Boat avoids peril when lighthouse lantern smashes

A local community came to the aid of a nearby lighthouse keeper last night, when the lantern smashed and left approaching boats in danger.

Briar's Rock Lighthouse sits on the North coast of Scotland, above a particularly hazardous strip of coastline with rock formations known as Poseidon's Footsteps. Last night, the owner of the lighthouse, Harold Thomas, 56, was carrying out some vital cleaning work when disaster struck. Mr Thomas lost his footing, resulting in the 2 metre wide casing of the light to be irreparably damaged. He had made repairs to the light before and the lighthouse itself is over 100 years old. Briar's Rock village has a population of around 250 people. James Harris, 34, a local fisherman, said of Harold Thomas: 'He very rarely comes into the village and has always seemed a bit of a loner. I've lived here for 10 years and I think I've only spoken to him once!'

After the accident, Mr Thomas feared for the safety of the ships. In our interview, Mr Thomas declared "I thought they'd all be doomed! I didn't know what to do"

Unbeknownst to Mr Thomas, the quick thinking villagers leapt into action. Using all the lanterns they had they rushed to his aid. Mrs Green, 75, exclaimed, "We all wanted to help. My family have lived here for 75 years and there has never been a boat lost to the rocks"

The grateful crew members of the ship, HMS Apollo, told us of their relief when the ship was saved, Skipper Annabel Bailey remembers, "Suddenly we saw a light and realised we were near the rocks. The villagers' actions saved us!"

Describing his appreciation, Mr Thomas thanked the villagers for their actions, "If it hadn't been for the folk of the village, the ship would have sank. Thank you for your quick thinking"

By working together, the community were able to avert disaster and save the lives of the people on the ship.