A gorilla has escaped from London Zoo!

There are rumours, opinions & guesses spreading online.

We need YOU to help us find the FACTS!

Instructions:

1. Take a look at the tweets. Can you sort them into facts, opinions, rumours and guesses?
   TIPS:
   a) Question the SOURCE: Who is this tweet from, and are they trustworthy?
   b) Look at the LANGUAGE: Can you see any clue words that tell you it is a rumour, opinion or a guess? Use the language clues on the next page.

2. Well done! You should have found 3 facts. How did you know they were facts?

3. Now put the 3 facts in the order they happened. TIP: Check the times on the tweets to help you. Write (or cut out and stick) the 3 facts to your script in the right order.

4. Grab your microphone, and practise your breaking news report. Challenge: Can you use a dramatic news voice? Can you sing or play news music at the beginning?

5. Three, two, one, ACTION! Perform your breaking news report for your family, or even ask someone to film it.

6. Great work, you have produced a news report! Remember that good journalists like you only include the FACTS in reports.

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## Language clues

### Language of fact

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<th>He confirmed...</th>
<th>Evidence shows that...</th>
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<td>She stated that...</td>
<td>It is proven that...</td>
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### Language of opinion

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<th>I feel...</th>
<th>I think...</th>
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<td>I like/don’t like...</td>
<td>She believes that...</td>
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### Language of rumour

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<th>Apparently...</th>
<th>I heard...</th>
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<td>It is rumoured that...</td>
<td>It seems that...</td>
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### Language of speculation (guesses)

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<th>I wonder if...</th>
<th>I reckon...</th>
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<td>I bet that...</td>
<td>They suspect...</td>
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@BBCNews: London Zoo have stated that #Kumbuka was safely returned to his den before 7pm after drinking 5 litres of squash in the staff area #safeandsound

@NoMoreZoos: dangerous animals have escaped from 50 zoos in the last year, we think this is why zoos should be banned #Kumbuka #animalsindanger #gorillaontheloose

@ZSLlondonzoo: Gorilla escape update, 5.30PM: We can confirm that all visitors have now been safely evacuated from the zoo.

@gorillanewsuk: I reckon the Gorilla escaped because he was angry at all of the stupid visitors banging on the glass all day. #Kumbuka #angrygorilla

@JimBOB: I heard tonnes of visitors are locked inside the buildings at London Zoo while the gorilla is banging on the glass at them! Watch out people! #Kumbuka

@ZSLlondonzoo: We can confirm that at 5.15pm this evening, a gorilla escaped from his den into a staff only corridor as a door was not properly secured. This is an ongoing situation.

@lucy: I feel sorry for the gorilla. If I was in a glass cage with people staring at me all day, I’d want to escape too! #Kumbuka #animalcruelty #gorillaontheloose

@JimBOB: Apparently, a huge silverback gorilla at London Zoo smashed through his den and escaped! Gorilla on the rampage! #Kumbuka #gorillaontheloose
Hello and welcome to NewsWise. I’m [say your name] and we have breaking news!

[Insert fact 1 here]

[Insert fact 2 here]

[Insert fact 3 here]

This has been [say your name] reporting for NewsWise news. Thanks for watching, goodbye!