

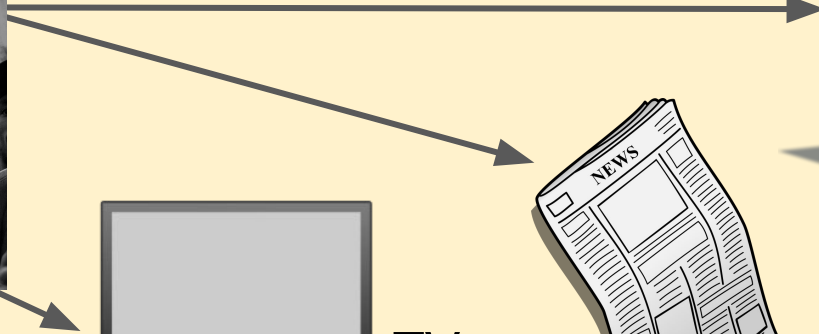
Newsworthy stories

What do we mean by news?

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



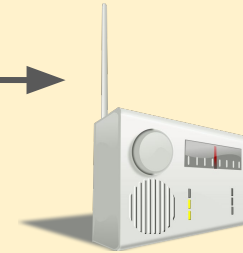
Event



TV



Newspaper



Radio

What do we mean by newsworthy?

- Worthy = having value or merit



What do you think
makes a news story
worth watching,
reading or listening to?



What makes a story newsworthy?



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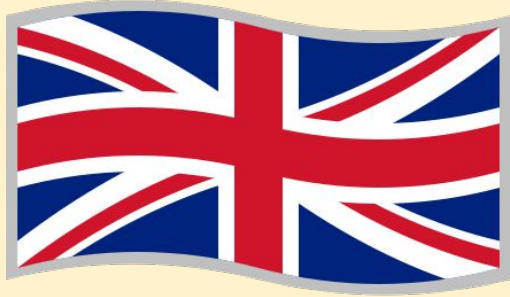
Time - when did the story happen?

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Learning check

1. What is meant by news?
2. What is meant by newsworthy?
3. What are the four factors that make a story newsworthy?

Types of news



What categories?

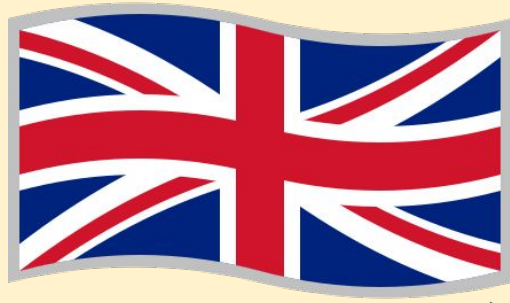


Sections of news

Which Section would you place the following stories you will see on the next slides?

1. UK Stories
2. International Stories (stories about other countries)
3. Science and environment
4. Sport
5. Entertainment and Culture

New cancer drug shows good results in early tests



UK



International



Science and Environment

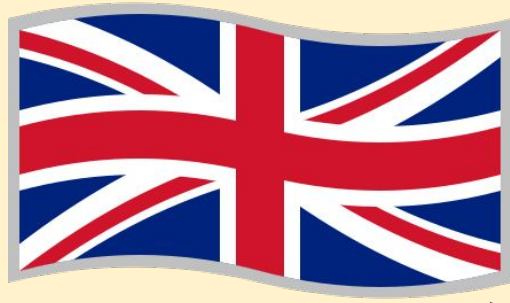
Which section?

Entertainment and Culture

Sport



Prime Minister to announce new plan to create jobs



UK



International



Science and Environment

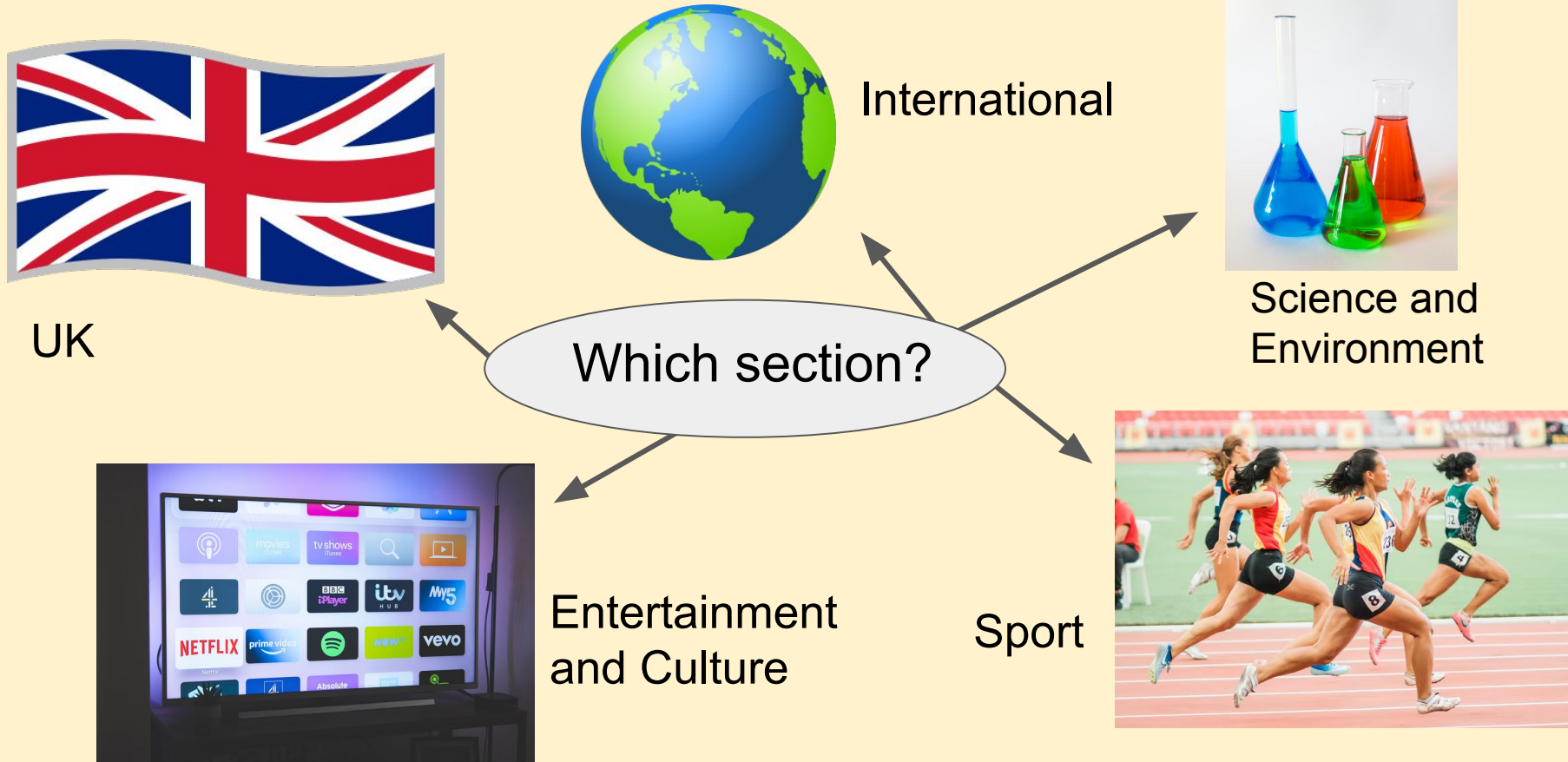
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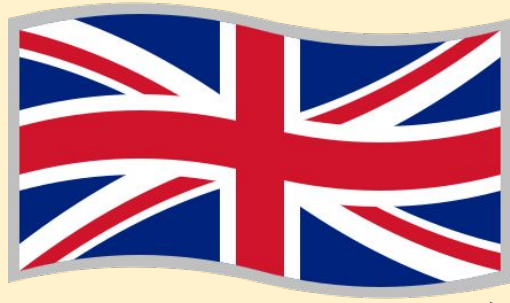
Sport



Billie Eilish announces new world tour



Climate change film reaches record number of views



UK



International



Science and Environment

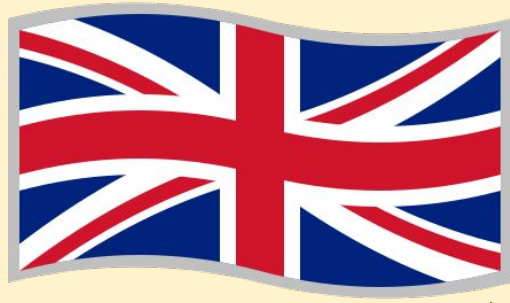
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Entertainment and Culture

Sport



Football matches in Germany cancelled due to floods



UK



International



Science and Environment

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Who makes the decisions?

An important role in a news organisation is an editor. They make decisions about what news stories reporters should research and write about.



Learning check

1. What are the four factors that make a story newsworthy?
2. Who decides which stories get reported?
3. What type of stories go in the International section?

Prioritising news

Editors also need to make choices about what stories are the most important or newsworthy.

You will now take on the role of an editor. You need to make the decisions about what news people should find out about.



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What have you learnt?



Final question

Now that everyone has chosen your stories, what would you choose as the top story of the day?



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