

Week 2 English Lessons

LO: To write a television news
report

Lets watch a news report to see what they are like.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/33525806>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/34179816>

A new planet has been discovered

You are to create a news report for television about the discovery.

What key facts should be included

- **The 5 W's**

- What
- When
- Where
- Who
- Why

Watch this cartoon – use this to design your new planet.

<https://www.literacyshed.com/the-sci---fi-shed.html>

Draw your planet

- **Now answer these 5 questions**
- What has been discovered?
- When was it discovered?
- Where is it located?
- Who discovered it? How?
- Why is this important or not found before?

Using the answers to your questions, you are now going to write a news report about your planet discovery. Ensure it is interesting – you don't want the viewer to switch channels!

Peutherer Planet Discovered

Last Friday, 5th March, a primary teacher, Mrs Peutherer, was using her son's telescope to view the stars and planets of our solar system. To her surprise, she noticed a bright purple star that she had never noticed before.

On hearing the news, the Astrophysics department at the University of Leicester investigated further. The planet, nick-named the Peutherer Planet, lies between Mars and Earth and seems to follow a similar orbit to Mars so it usually hidden from view by it. Using satellite cameras, the planet has now been photographed and it appears to have some form of life inhabiting it. The creatures, which look like skinny kangaroos, live in harmony together farming the purple rocks. Here is a first image of the creatures.



Further investigation will take place by the University and NASA to make contact with these alien creatures.

LO: To write and present a script for a news report

Space is full of litter!

- Watch this clip to learn more about the problems.
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d0TpAMWVxIA>

Imagine you were going to report about a new way to clear up the rubbish that is now in space.

- You are going to write a script for the report that you will then perform in pairs for filming.

Space Rubbish Sucker!

Tim: A new development for space has taken inspiration from a garden blower.

Hannah: A schoolboy from Leicester, Josh, has developed a way to use a modified blower to collect the debris currently flying around in our atmosphere.

Tim: The incredible invention was made as part of a school science project and has now NASA has taken an interest and plans to use the device to clear the space above our planet. So how does the machine work?

Hannah: An automated robot controlled from within the international space station will direct a tethered robot with 'garden blower' arms. The robot will force the rubbish towards a giant space bin.

Tim: Just like on star wars – it uses the force!

Hannah: Once safely in the space bin, it is pumped full of oxygen and set alight. The dramatic explosion will incinerate the rubbish. The fireball will be visible from space and may temporarily disrupt the satellite communication systems. But once the rubbish is all cleared, the signals transmitted in space will be far more powerful and reliable.

Tim: That sounds wonderful – when will it be up and running?

Hannah: The first tests will take place in just 1 month time. Josh, the inventor, will be travelling to NASA to watch the machine on their live screens.

LO; To create a daily news report including the 5 W's and key facts

Now create another news report in the same way about an event that is of interest to you.

It could be the current pandemic, it could be about the birth of twin lemurs at Chester Zoo, or it could be anything else.

Have fun and see if you can report each day on a new event. Remember to include the 5 W's