

A graphic of a spiral-bound notebook with a yellow cover and a white page. The spiral binding is at the top. The page contains a checklist for writing a news story.

NEWS STORY INGREDIENT CHECKLIST

- I followed the recipe for writing a news story.
- My story is about a worthy news event.
- I included a headline, or title, for my story.
- My introduction (lead) tells readers what my story is about.
- I believe readers will understand the main idea of my story.
- I used details, facts or examples that give more information about the event.
- I used more than one source for my information and made sure each fact was accurate and true.
- My readers will be able to find the 5 W's and H in my story.
- I stayed on topic throughout my story.
- I described events in the same order in which they happened.
- I included quotes in my story.
- My conclusion included new and important information.
- I checked my writing for misspelled words.
- I checked my writing for errors in punctuation.
- I believe my paper is "delectably" neat and easy to read.