

# LO: Writing a newspaper report

Now you have the plan for your article, you will write it out.

- ▶ Remember to use you plan.
- ▶ Include a direct quote from an eye witness.
- ▶ Mix fact and opinion to balance the argument.
- ▶ The first paragraph has to GRAB the reader's attention.
  - **Do not** start with 'hello, and welcome to...'
  - **Do not** end with 'goodbye' or 'the end'
  - It is not an interview on television or a conversation between two people.
- ▶ Your success criteria is on the following slide.

# Success Criteria for your news article

- ▶ Headline attracts attention and may include a pun.
- ▶ First paragraph answers the questions: Who? What? When? Where?
- ▶ Details such as names of people and places given in full.
- ▶ Information logically organised into paragraphs.
- ▶ Some opinions may be included, possibly disguised as facts.
- ▶ At least two interviews with participants / eye witnesses / experts / spokespeople.
- ▶ Direct and reported speech used correctly.
- ▶ Final paragraph brings the reader up to the present / future.
- ▶ A semi-colon used correctly.