**Written Comprehension and Expression 6 Teacher: KHELEF Embarka**

**Articles and News Reports**

**Introduction**

Articles are types of writing intended for publication in magazines; newspapers newsletters which present opinions and arguments debating different issues; social, political, environmental…etc or in brochures and leaflets which, on the other hand, aim at attracting new customers locally or around the world. These writings have a set of norms that writers need to conform to in order to be effective.

**Format**

1. Articles and brochures have an eye-catching title whose aim is to attract the reader's attention;
2. Each sub-theme is developed in a separate paragraph;
3. Each paragraph can be preceded by an appropriate sub-heading;
4. The topic is stated clearly in the first sentence of the paragraph;
5. Concluding by summarizing the topic.

**Purpose and Style**

Articles are written for different purposes. They may be descriptive, narrative, discursive…etc. Titling is a basic characteristic of articles. Depending on the context; audience and purpose, articles may need to be formally written in impersonal language, or in informal language. Appropriate techniques and style and expressions should be used. Each paragraph should start with a clear topic sentence.

**News Reports**

A news report is a piece of writing for publication. It aims at informing about important current events. It gives factual information.

**Format and style**

A news report is a formal, impersonal type of writing where facts are objectively and unemotionally stated in a specific layout including:

1. An eye-catching headline usually bold-typed in upper-case letters.
2. An introduction that summarizes the event and gives information about involved people. The time and the place of the event should also be included.
3. A body which develops and details relevant information. It also presents the causes and the results of the event.
4. A conclusion where the significance of the event is given in addition to the future action(s) to be taken. The conclusion may also present the reactions and comments of one or many witnesses or a spokesman.

**Conclusion**

Reports , whatever their purpose is, are informative. The writer needs to handle them with a special care to format, language, and style. Like any other type of writing, the writer' effective use of appropriate word and structures is very crucial in achieving one's purpose for writing.

NOTE:

1. Go to the Reference 1 for more details and tasks to practice, and to reference 2 to check and evaluate your work. (Compulsory)
2. I am looking forward to receiving feedback in case you find any kind of mistake or ambiguity in the posted lessons.

**Thank you in advance**