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# The Front Page:

## Geography Culminating Assignment

### Assignment Overview

As a newly promoted journalist (congratulations on your last successful assignment!), you have been hired to produce the front page of a special newspaper issue around the theme of **Sustainable Settlements**.

You will choose **one settlement** and will create a **front page** that presents a main theme or message around **sustainability**.

### Big Ideas:

- A relationship exists between human settlements, the environment and sustainability
- Human technology can be used to create sustainable solutions
- Media texts, like the front page of a newspaper, use a variety of text features, forms and conventions to communicate meaning

### Key Components:

#### ● Media conventions including:

- *For the newspaper:* a masthead, a newspaper logo, a picture and a caption, and a map of the community
- *For each article:* a headline, standalone, byline

**\*\* CHOOSE ONE OF THE TWO ARTICLES BELOW TO WRITE \*\***

#### ● Article One: An environmental issue in your chosen settlement

- *4 paragraphs:* introduction, description of the issue (cause/ consequence), potential solutions, conclusion
- should be written in third person using professional language

#### ● Article Two: Editorial on one solution to an environmental issue (Is the solution sustainable?)

- *4 paragraphs:* introduction, description of problem/ solution, your opinion of the solution, conclusion
- should be written in first person and use evidence and examples to justify your opinion

### ASSIGNMENT TIMELINES AND CHECKLIST

- I have chosen my settlement, the environmental issue and the solution by November 17, 2014.
- I have researched my articles by \_\_\_\_\_
- I have planned and drafted article one by \_\_\_\_\_
- I have self and peer-edited my article by \_\_\_\_\_
- I have planned out the front page of my paper by \_\_\_\_\_
- I have published my newspaper front page by \_\_\_\_\_

### Success Criteria

#### Geography:

- I have used inquiry research to investigate environmental issues
- I demonstrate an understanding of the theme of sustainability

- I use appropriate vocabulary

#### Media:

- I use conventions (headlines, pictures, captions, writing) to write for a specific meaning and purpose

#### Writing:

- I use the writing process to research, revise & publish my work
- I use proper paragraphs

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EORUM CLARITATEM VESTIGATIONES

NOVEMBER 16, 2014



# Article Planner

Please complete and submit this planner to your editor for approval by \_\_\_\_\_.

**SETTLEMENT I HAVE CHOSEN:**

The settlement I have chosen to research is \_\_\_\_\_.

I have chosen this settlement because:

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**ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUE:**

An environmental issue affecting my settlement is \_\_\_\_\_.

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This environmental issue affects sustainability because:

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**ARTICLE CHOICE:**

The article I have chosen to write is

- Article 1 (third person)
- Article 2 (first person)



I chose to write this article because:

- I am comfortable writing in third person/ first person and want to continue to practice
- I am new at writing in third person/ first person and want to try it out!

Other: \_\_\_\_\_