

## Writing a newspaper report

### Activity 2: answers

1. What is the first thing at the very **\*\*top\*\*** of the page?

*The headline*

2. Does the **first** paragraph give away all the information about the story?

Why do you think this is?

*No, it doesn't. I think this is to keep the reader interested in reading the rest of the article.*

3. Is the article written in the **past tense**? Find a verb to prove this.

*Yes. Some examples of past tense verbs to prove this are: 'discovered', 'believed' and 'were'.*

4. Find an example where a **quote** is used in the article.

Does it express a **fact** or an **opinion**?

*Ella Al-Shamahi, an archaeologist and explorer said: "The site is so new, they haven't even given it a name yet." This is a fact.*

5. Does the article answer the **5 Ws**: what, when, who, where, why?

*Yes, it does.*

**What:** *Tens of thousands of prehistoric cave paintings have been discovered*

**When:** *Last year*

**Who:** *The drawings were found by a British-Colombian team, funded by the European Research Council.*

**Where:** *In the Amazonian rainforest.*

**Why:** *It's not clear why the paintings were drawn, but archaeologists are studying them because they will give us a glimpse into a lost civilisation.*

6. What do the following underlined phrases from the article suggest?

The paintings are believed to be at least 12,500 years old.

**It hasn't been confirmed** who made the drawings **but some people think** they could have been...

*These phrases suggest that there are still things that are unknown about this discovery. It's very new and the archaeologists don't know all the facts yet.*