



7TH GRADE NEWSPAPER PROJECT



Mission: The community you live in does not have a newspaper. You are to create one of your own in your word processing program.

DIRECTIONS:

1. Create a name for your newspaper.

Some newspaper ending names are: Times, Journal, Eagle, Chronicle, Constitution, Post, Herald, News, Press, Tribune, etc.

2. At the top (in the header):

Type: Newspaper name, Editor's Name (your name), Volume Number (exploratory number—make up a number), Date, and Cost of your newspaper. If you need the cent symbol or any other type of symbol, use the character map. The largest use of a font must be the title of the newspaper in the heading and it must be a unique font.

3. Create a border:

Make a border of your own design around the title of your newspaper.

4. Write four (4) different articles:

Two of the articles should be serious (one of those must be positive). The other two articles can be filler articles such as weather, sports, style, fashion, business, advice (Dear Abby), etc. Using "Drop Cap" under the "Format/Paragraph" menu makes for a nice presentation.

You may look up information on news sites such as CNN, ESPN, InfoOhio and search engines such as Yahoo, Dogpile, Google, Altavista, and Ask. You can restate information, but it must be in your own words. You WILL NOT plagiarize information.

Each article must have a title and an author. The article title must be in a larger font than the article itself. You may make up the author's name for each article.

5. Must have two columns and clipart:

Under the format menu, select (2) for the number of columns and that you put a separator line between columns. Also, be sure to choose "justified" for your alignment of the columns.

You must have at least two graphics (clip art, paint pictures, Internet pictures, etc.) for two articles. The pictures must be appropriate for school and for the articles. Remember when pasting to use "Paste Special" for your newsletter. Be sure to "wrap" your pictures.

6. Spell Check and Page Preview:

Be sure to check your document for errors. Make sure you change your print properties to "Fast Color" and that you print this project to the Xerox Phaser.