

STORY ASSIGNMENT

Instructions: By the end of class today, I want one news story from you. The story should be 350 words. Please write the story based off a press conference video that I've provided below.

When crafting each story, think to yourself, what information is most relevant and should be used in the lede? What are the supporting facts or figures I could use in my nut graf to further support what I've written in the lede? What quotes should I use and where should I put them in the story? You will also need to ask yourself: is there any additional information I could find by doing online research that will help my story make more sense to the reader?

Using your knowledge of the inverted pyramid structure, you will write a lede, nut graf, and use quotes for the story. You will have to determine what type of lede you will use. You will have to determine which quotes belong and how to structure those quotes. You will also have to determine what information is important to keep in the story and what is unnecessary. You are allowed to use your notes from my lectures on ledes, nut graf, quotes, etc., to help produce these stories.

You are allowed to go over the word limit by only 10 additional words. After finishing your stories, please email them to me at brooksk@oldwestbury.edu. At the top of the page of your story, on the top left side of a new word document, please type your byline, a word count, and the day's date.

You have two options for your story:

<https://tinyurl.com/borderchildrenassignment>

<https://tinyurl.com/winterstormassignment>