

Unit 3:2a Types of Sports Stories



Figure 122

- Advance Sports Story
 - Before the game is played
 - The essentials of an upcoming season or an upcoming game
 - Anything unique about the new season
 - Starting lineups
 - Entries
 - Lists of competitors

– Background information about the teams involved
Rivalry involved



– Can be written in inverted pyramid form or feature format

- Predictions in advance should be motivated by team records not school loyalty
balanced and attributed.

All quotes need to be

Unit 3:2b Types of Sports Stories



Figure 124

- Coverage Story
 - These stories cover games AFTER they have been played
 - The reporter should attend the game along with the school photographers

- Take notes during the game



Figure 125

–Types of Notes to take during the game

- What does the crowd react?
- What is the game momentum?
- Unusual moments?
- Anyone ejected?

Any moments where the game momentum changed?

- Coverage Story
- Game Highlights
- Outstanding plays

- Story may be written in chronological or time order. Score and key information is always given in the lead

Unit 3:2c Types of Sports Stories

- Advance-coverage Stories
 - Carries summaries of past games with scores
 - Gives advance of future gamesVery common in scholastic newspapers.



Figure 126

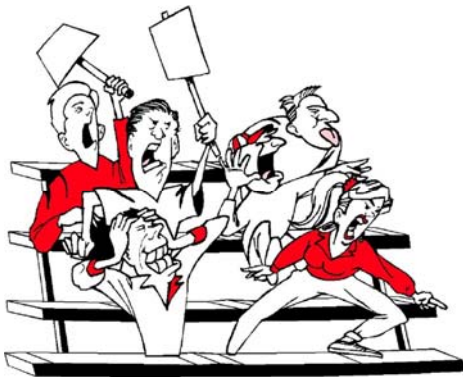
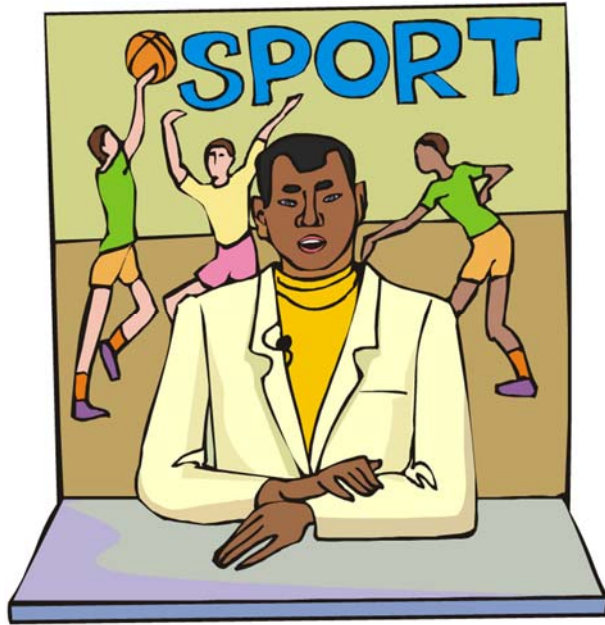


Figure 127

- Sports Features
 - The world of sports is full of feature possibilities
 - Personality sketches
 - Stories about athletic injuries and treatmentsProfiles of athletes, sports officials, fans.

- Stories about the Athletic Facilities
- Historical Stories about rules changes
- Equipment changes

Unit 3:2d Types of Sports Stories



- Sports Columns
Observations by the sports writing staff and consist of commentary about the various sports teams and players

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Figure 127