

Activity: Write a brief newspaper article for the Portsmouth Gazette or Mottley's Naval and Military Journal about the choice of Port Jackson for the convict settlement. Save a copy to your desktop, type over the sections in the template below, then delete these instructions. If you are working on paper, use the template as a guide.

Date of issue

**Name of your newspaper**

MAIN STORY HEADLINE

Your main photo should grab the reader's attention. Copy and paste a photo from a website.

Name of writer

Write a caption for your photo.

Newspapers usually lead with a dramatic and attention-grabbing headline and story so as to entice people to buy the paper. Your story will be about 150-200 words.

More stories:

Story 1 headline............page xx

In newspapers, paragraphs and sentences are short. Often the paragraphs are only one or two sentences.

Story 2 headline ..page xx Story 3 headline............page xx

'Choose a sentence from your story to highlight an important point. Write the sentence in single quotation marks.'

Continue your main story.

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