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WRITING ASSIGNMENT #1 - A Separate Peace

PROMPT

So far in the book, there have been several newsworthy events. Your assignment is to  take one of those events and write a hard news story about it.

PREWRITING

* Browse back through your study guides or the book and make a list of all the events you believe were newsworthy.
* After carefully considering the list, choose the one event you would most like to report. On your scrap paper, write down " who, what, when, where, why, and how" down the left side of the page.
* Write the appropriate information about your event next to each.
* Next, decide on a caption for your article. Jot down several ideas and then decide which is best.

DRAFTING

* Write your caption at the top of your page.
* Keep one of the hard news newspaper articles handy as you begin to write your article. Pattern yours after that one.
* The first paragraph should give all the basic information from the list you made on your scratch paper.
* The following paragraphs should fill in the details.

REMEMBER TO BE OBJECTIVE: NO OPINIONS-- ONLY FACTS.

PROMPT

* When you finish the rough draft of your paper, ask a student who sits near you to read it.
* After reading your rough draft, he/she should tell you what he/she liked best about your work, which parts were difficult to understand, and ways in which your work could be improved.
* Reread your paper considering your critic's comments and make the corrections you think are necessary.

PROOFREADING

Do a final proofreading of your paper double-checking your grammar, spelling, organization, and the clarity of your ideas.