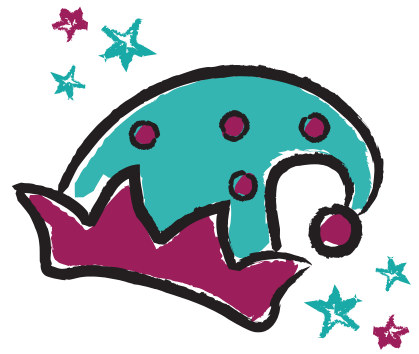


ELVES Schools' Challenge - Key Stage 2



Competition activity - design a newspaper front page

There is a crisis at Santa's workshop and you are the journalist that has the inside story for The Polar Express. Your task is to design the front page of the newspaper!

You can use the provided worksheet template for the front page of The Polar Express, or draw your own. Work alone or in pairs to come up with a story for the front page, a headline and draw a picture to illustrate it.

Maybe someone has broken in and stolen all the presents? Maybe Santa has eaten a few too many pies during lockdown and has got stuck up the chimney practicing for Christmas Eve? Maybe the elves have gone on strike - the more imaginative the stories, the better!

The child who writes the most imaginative article will win tickets for their class to visit The Hullabaloo in 2021.

A good newspaper article has:

- A short, snappy headline
- A summary of what the story is about in the first few sentences
- Is written in the third person and the past tense
- Is split into short paragraphs that are easier to read
- Includes quotes in speech marks
- Has images and photos with pictures captions
- Includes facts and information that give the reader all of the information

