# The press and the media

VOCABULARY PRACTICE

PRE-INTERMEDIATE | A2-B1

**Name:** _____ **Date:** _____

## 1 Match each media word with its meaning.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1 newspaper | ____ | a title printed above a news story |
| 2 headline | ____ | b person who writes or presents news |
| 3 article | ____ | c conversation in which someone answers questions |
| 4 journalist | ____ | d television or radio station |
| 5 interview | ____ | e people watching, listening to or reading something |
| 6 report | ____ | f printed publication containing news |
| 7 channel | ____ | g piece of writing about a subject |
| 8 audience | ____ | h spoken or written account of an event |

## 2 Complete the everyday media expressions.

**article | channel | headline | interview | news | paper | report | story**

**1** read the _____

**2** watch the evening _____

**3** change the television _____

**4** write an _____

**5** conduct an _____

**6** publish a front-page _____

**7** present a weather _____

**8** write a clear _____

## 3 Choose the correct word or phrase.

**1** The main story has a large *headline / audience*.

**2** A *journalist / channel* asked the questions.

**3** We watched the news *report / paper*.

**4** The interview was *live / alive*.

**5** The article appeared *in / on* the newspaper.

**6** This channel *broadcasts / publishes* every evening.

**7** The story is on the *front page / first paper*.

**8** The reporter spoke *to / at* three witnesses.

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## 4 Complete the school-news report with words from the box.

article | audience | headline | interviewed | journalist | live | report | story

A student **1** _____ wrote an **2** _____ about the school concert. She **3** _____ the musicians and chose the **4** _____ 'Young Stars Shine'. The local radio station also prepared a short **5** _____. One song was broadcast **6** _____. The **7** _____ received positive comments, and the online **8** _____ grew during the programme.

## 5 Read the text. Write T (true) or F (false).

**A mistake in the local paper**

A local newspaper reported that the town library would close permanently. The information came from an old meeting note, but a journalist did not check it with the library. The library was only closing for two weeks for repairs. Readers complained, and the newspaper corrected the online article within an hour. The next printed edition included an apology and the correct reopening date.

**1** The library was closing forever. T / F

**2** The information came from an old note. T / F

**3** A journalist checked the story with the library. T / F

**4** The closure was for repairs. T / F

**5** The online correction took several days. T / F

**6** The printed paper included an apology. T / F

## 6 Rewrite using the word in capitals.

**1** The station showed the event as it happened. **LIVE** _____

**2** She asked the actor questions. **INTERVIEWED** _____

**3** The newspaper fixed the mistake. **CORRECTED** _____

**4** The story was on page one. **FRONT** _____

## OVER TO YOU

Write **70-90 words** about a school or local event as a short news report. Include a headline, key facts and one quotation.

[ ] Use at least eight target words. [ ] Answer who, what, where and when. [ ] Keep facts separate from opinion.

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## ANSWER KEY

### 1 Media words

1 **f** 2 **a** 3 **g** 4 **b** 5 **c** 6 **h** 7 **d** 8 **e**

### 2 Media expressions

1 **paper** 2 **news** 3 **channel** 4 **article** 5 **interview** 6 **story** 7 **report** 8 **headline**

### 3 Correct choices

1 **headline** 2 **journalist** 3 **report** 4 **live**
5 **in** 6 **broadcasts** 7 **front page** 8 **to**

### 4 School-news report

1 **journalist** 2 **article** 3 **interviewed** 4 **headline** 5 **report** 6 **live** 7 **story** 8 **audience**

### 5 Reading - suggested answers

1 **F** - Two weeks. 2 **T** 3 **F** 4 **T** 5 **F** - Within an hour. 6 **T**

### 6 Rewriting - possible answers

1 The station showed it **live**. 2 She **interviewed** the actor. 3 The paper **corrected** the mistake. 4 It was a **front-page** story.

**Over to you:** Answers will vary. Check clear facts, suitable news vocabulary and a concise quotation.