



Newspaper Style





Journalistic
Style

NEWSPAPER STYLE

- purposeful and thematic arrangement of interrelated lexical, phraseological and grammatical language means as a separate unity



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that basically serves the purpose of informing and instructing the reader in order to bring up-to-date, accurate, convincing information on current affairs



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D. Crystal:

"... present a wider range of linguistically distinctive varieties than any other domain of language study".



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text

being compact and coherent



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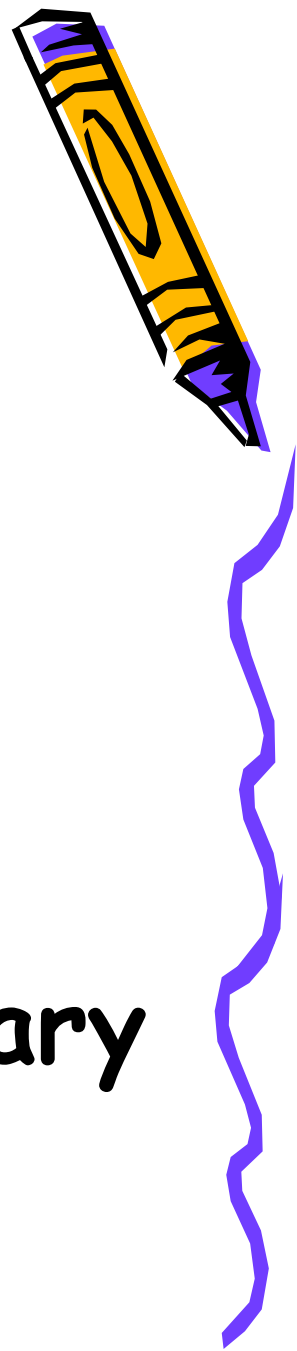
- the last of the English literary styles to be recognized



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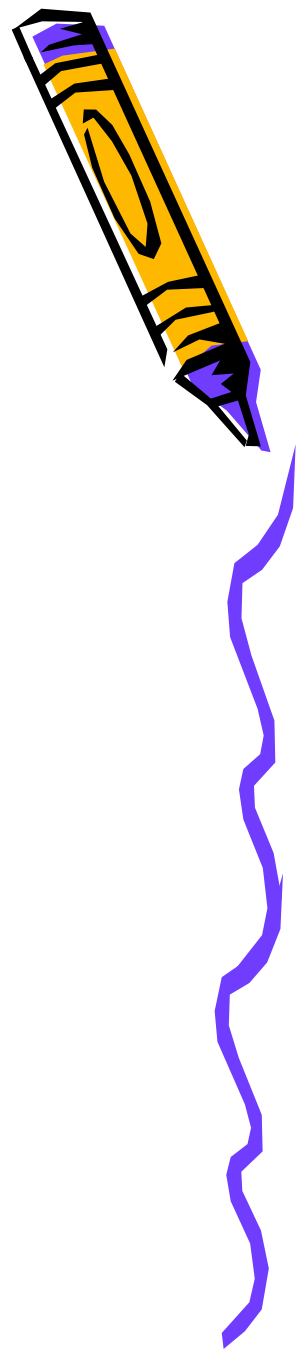
- 1) Special political and economic terms
- 2) Non-term political vocabulary



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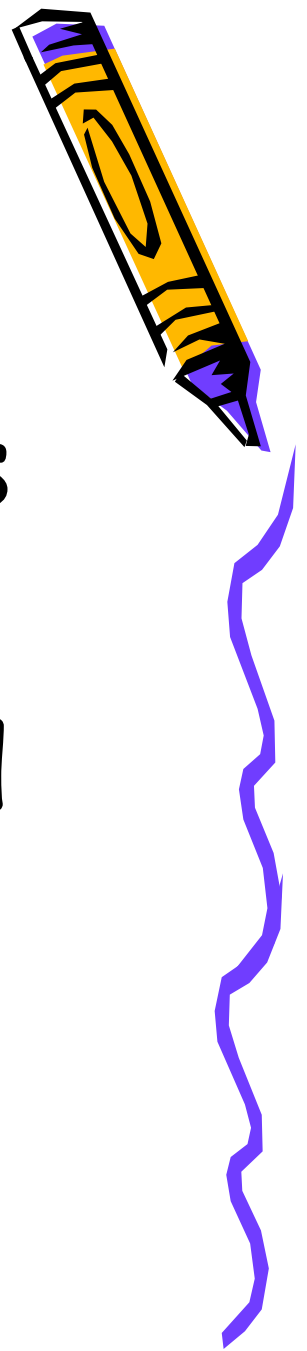
3) Newspaper clichés

4) Clichés



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5) Abbreviations of various types as it helps to save space and time

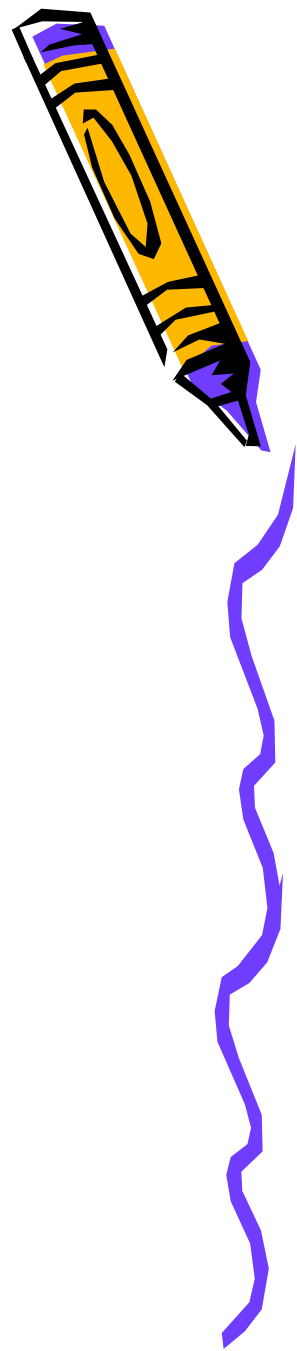


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read as individual letters:

WHO

World Health Organisation



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NATO /'neitou/

North Atlantic Treaty Organisation

OPEC /'oupek/

Organisation of Petroleum Exploring
Countries

acronyms



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6) Abundant use of Neologisms

(Gorbymania)



“WEEKLY NEWS”

First English Newspaper

May, 23, 1622



“LONDON GAZZETTE”

The first
governmental newspaper

February, 5, 1666



“DAILY COURANTS”

First English daily newspaper

March, 11, 1702



EARLIEST ENGLISH NEWSPAPERS

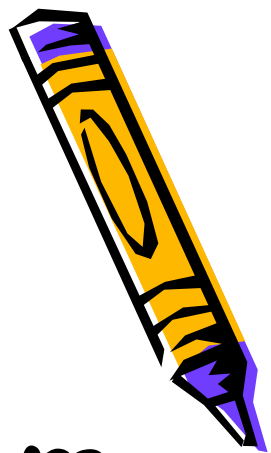


Absence of any comments



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title given to a news item
or
a newspaper article

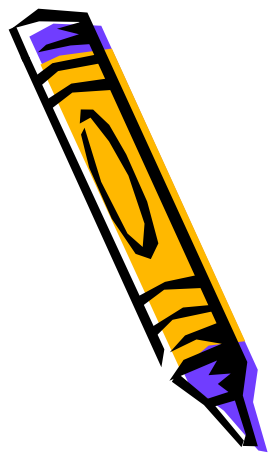


HEADLINES

Function:

to catch the readers'
attention

and at the same time



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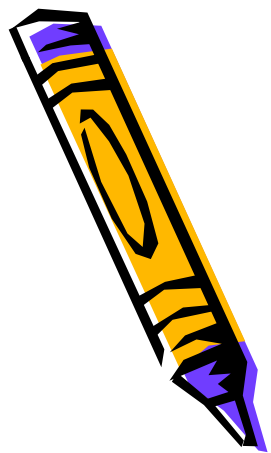
to provide brief
information what the
news that follows is about



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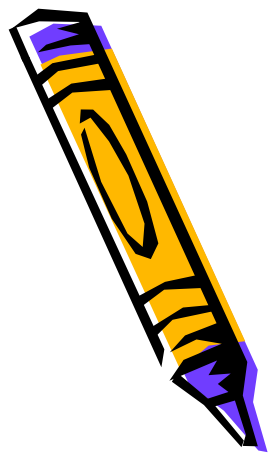
- as few words as possible
- the words tend to be short and sound dramatic



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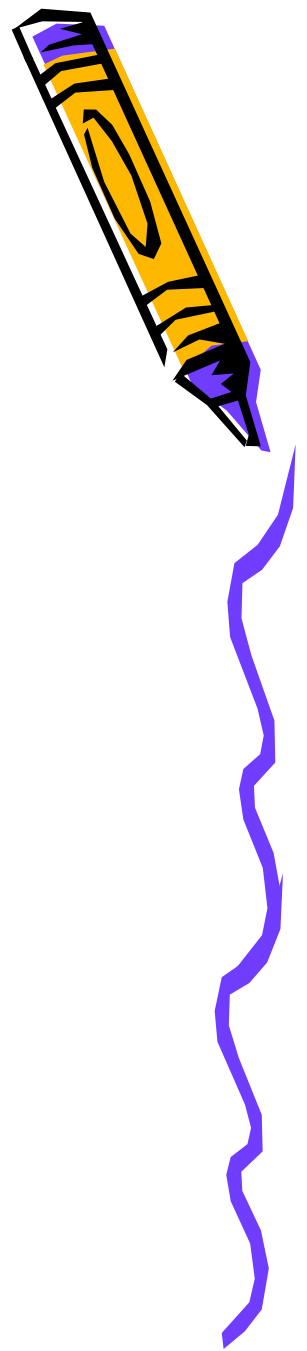
□ Concise syntax

- Full declarative sentences
- Interrogative sentences
- Rhetoric questions



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- Nominative sentences
- Elliptical sentences
 - a) auxiliary verb omitted
 - b) subject omitted
 - c) subject and part of the predicate omitted

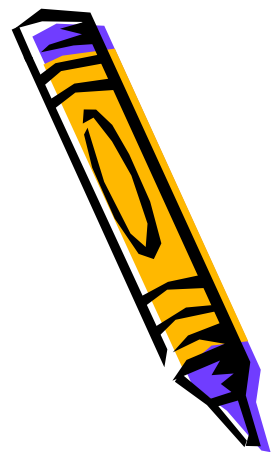


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Phrases with verbals

a) infinitive standing for
"going to happen"

b) participial and gerundial
constructions



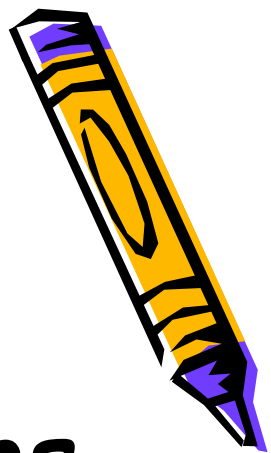
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- Use of direct speech
- Emotive syntax and vocabulary suggestive of approval or disapproval
- Allusive use of self-expressions and sayings



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- Deformation of special terms
- Use of stylistic devices producing strong emotional effect



BRIEF NEW ITEMS

Function:

To inform the reader



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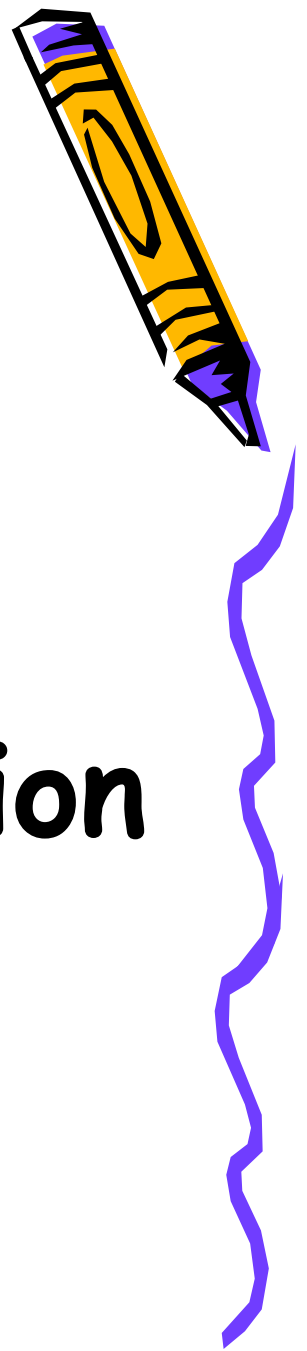
state facts without giving
explicit comments



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Features:

- 1) absence of any individuality of expression and lack of emotional colouring



BRIEF NEW ITEMS

2) matter-of-fact and stereotyped forms of expression



BRIEF NEW ITEMS

3) peculiar syntactical structure as the reporter is obliged to be brief:

a) complex sentences with a developed system of clauses



BRIEF NEW ITEMS

b) verbal constructions
(infinitive, participial,
gerundial);
and verbal noun constructions



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c) syntactical complexes,
esp. the nominative with the
infinitive, used to avoid
mentioning the source of
information



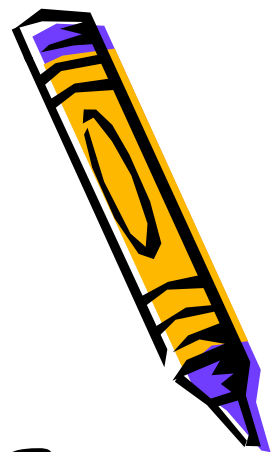
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d) attributive noun groups

e) special word order

f) occasional disregard for
the sequence of tenses

rule



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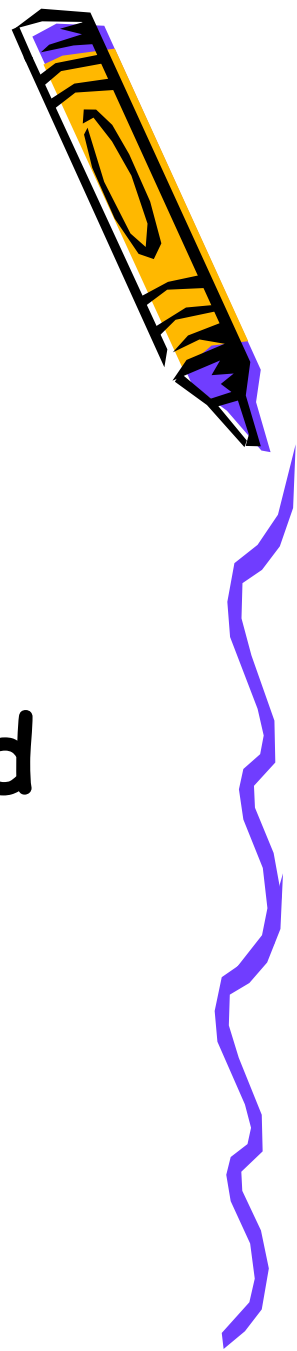
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- **classified**
- **non-classified**



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Classified:

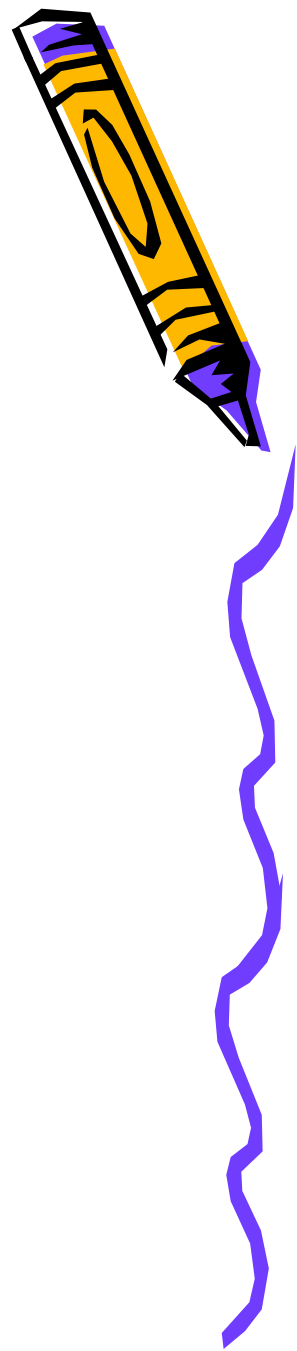
birth

marriages

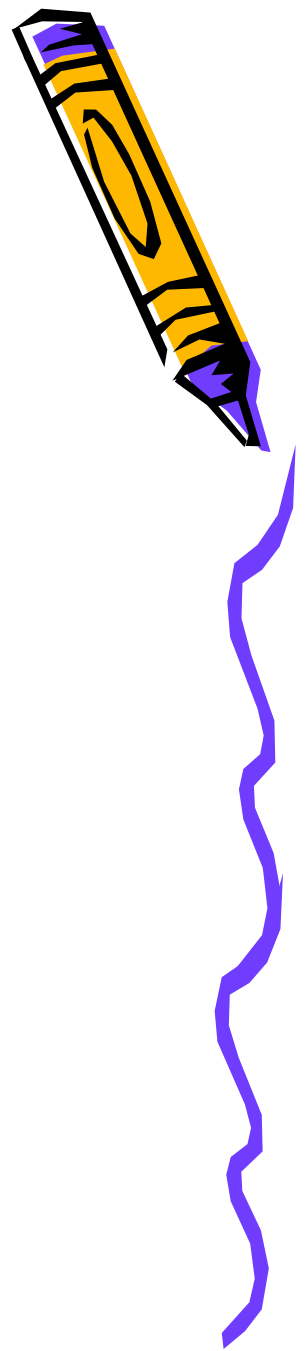
death

in memoriam

business offers



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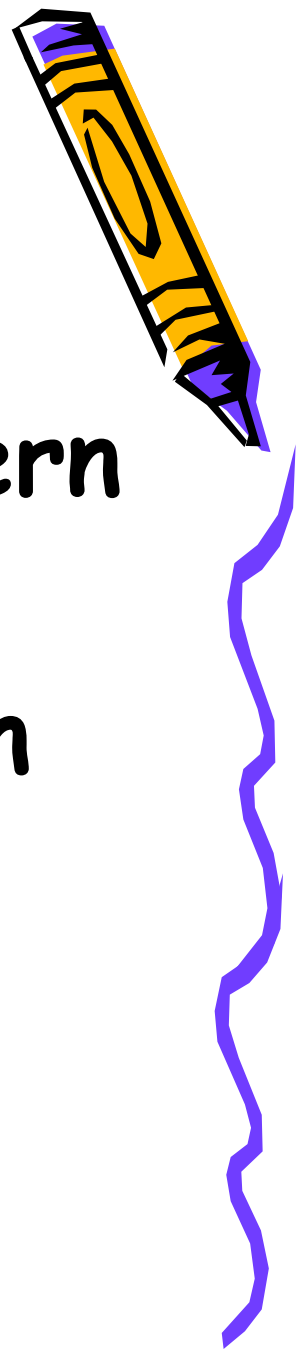
Features:

- mostly neutral vocabulary with rare usage of emotionally coloured words or phrases used with the only purpose of attracting readers' attention



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- fixed, often elliptical, pattern
- telegram-like statements, with articles and punctuation marks omitted



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**Non-classified
the variety of
language forms and
subject-matters**



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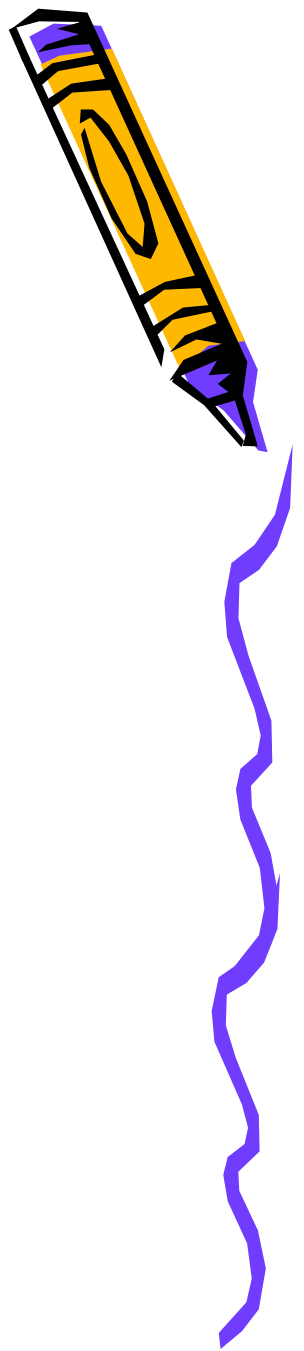
- Feature article
- Reports
- Editorials



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Function:

to influence the reader by
giving an interpretation of
certain facts



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Features:

- combination of different vocabulary strata



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- usage of emotionally coloured language elements, both lexical and structural



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- accepted usage of colloquial words and expressions, slang, and professionalisms



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- usage of various stylistic devices but trite and traditional in nature



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traditional periphrases,
Wall Street (American financial circles),
Downing Street (the British Government),
Fleet Street (the London press),
the third world
(the remnant of the dated division of the
world into three parts - socialist,
capitalist and developing countries)



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- genuine stylistic means also possible, but comparatively rare

