

Edit a Story for a Newspaper

Try editing a piece of text down to about 100 words, for a newspaper article. It can be a story, non-fiction or even a poem you've written or found. You could do this alone or in a group. That way, you will be able to talk about the meaning and form of the words and phrases you are using. You'll need to decide what you think is important and essential to the text.

This kind of exercise is called *précis*. A *précis* (pronounced "pray-see") is a type of summary or abridgment.

You could go to the Key Stage 2 Science site,
<http://durhambadgers.org.uk/page.php?pageid=61>

Use the 'All About Badgers' Section and choose a piece to edit.

Or try this one:

KIDS!

Why not have a look at our Education and Fun site? (You might think that some of the education stuff will be a bit 'schooly', but I'm sure you'll enjoy some of the activities.)

There are some fun badgery maths sheets and some story ideas, (We'd love to see some of the stories you come up with. Why don't you email them to us?) In science there are fun badger science activities to do, which will explain some of the work we do in the Badger Group. Have a look at the Badgery Art. (Can you come up with some new ideas for art? We'd love to see them.) Do you know what badger bits are called in French, German, Polish and Spanish? Have a look at our languages section. In the geography and history sections, you'll find magazine articles on County Durham. You can just browse them, (like a magazine), or look at the items marked in blue. They'll give you ideas for great IT research projects!

But, of course, the best site is Badger Fun! Have a go at our animal grids, wordsearches and our great badgery board games! Fantastic! And don't forget our great powerpoint quiz! Enjoy!

Can you cut this down from just over 200 words to about 150? Why not look at our Education section at:

<http://durhambadgers.org.uk> Go to 'Education' and see what you can find.

