

Media: newspapers and television

► Activity 1

Put these words into the correct column according to whether they are connected with newspapers or television. Some of the words can go in both columns. Then check in the dictionary.

advert broadsheet cable caption
cartoon channel columnist correspondent
feature editor episode gossip column
headline horoscope journalist paparazzi
presenter remote control repeat satellite
series subtitles supplement switch over
tabloid viewer widescreen zapping

newspapers	television
<i>advert, broadsheet</i>	<i>advert, cable</i>

► Activity 2

Look at the TV page extract opposite and decide what kinds of programmes are being shown. Write the time when each programme is on.

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| a cartoon | <u>6.30</u> | f news | _____ |
| b chat show | _____ | g reality show | _____ |
| c current affairs programme | _____ | h soap | _____ |
| d documentary | _____ | i sitcom | _____ |
| e game show | _____ | j wildlife programme | _____ |

- 6.30 The Mickey And Donald Show**
Animated Disney fun for younger viewers.
- 7.00 Giant Of The Ocean**
A from-birth-to-death look at the amazing life of the blue whale, the biggest animal on Earth.
- 7.30 EastEnders**
A repeat of this afternoon's episode. The Walker family make a terrible discovery and Angela looks forward to her 18th birthday party.
- 8.00 Who Wants To Be A Millionaire**
More contestants hoping their general knowledge will win them a million.
- 8.30 Big Brother**
Who will be evicted from the house tonight? Plus highlights of yesterday's events.
- 9.00 News At Nine O'Clock**
- 9.30 The Royle Family**
More hilarious moments from the family that spends its life in the living room. Last in the series.
- 10.00 In Conversation With Jonathan Parkinson**
This week's guests are singer Robbie Owen, TV presenter and author Michael Chapman, and to chat about her new film, actress Barbara Buckingham.
- 11.00 Panorama**
An investigation into homelessness on our streets.
- 11.30 A Week In Politics**
A look at the major political stories in the last seven days at home and around the world.

► **Activity 3**

Look at these newspaper extracts. Match them to the correct names of the different parts of the newspaper in the box.

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| business news | classified ads | editorial |
| gossip column | horoscope | news in brief |
| sports section | letters page | TV page |
| weather forecast | | |

a business news

NRG to get new chairman

b _____

TAURUS: Today's the day to make those important decisions

c _____

Sir,
Following the recent debate on educational standards, I would like to remind your readers that

d _____

Beckham penalty saves the day

e _____

PICK OF THE DAY: 9.00 Channel 4 Where are they now?
Takes a look at what has happened to some of the people who have made the headlines in the last ten years

f _____



g _____

For sale: Mercedes SLK, 2002, 34,000 miles, silver, one owner, immaculate, **£25,000**

h _____

Car theft up: Latest police figures show that car theft has risen 15% since 2000.

Lottery ticket blues: A £2.5 million winning lottery ticket belonging to James Harris of Sheffield was accidentally put through the washing machine by his mother. The ticket, which was in a pair of brand new jeans, was dyed blue and is unreadable and therefore invalid.

Teachers' strike to go ahead: The five-day strike by teachers in London will go ahead, starting on Monday.

i _____

The Sun says: The proposed strike by teachers is wrong. Our children should not

j _____

Robbie and Britney share late-night taxi

► **Activity 4**

Work with a partner. One of you think about your answers to the questions about television and the other think about your answers to the questions about newspapers. When you have done this, ask and answer questions. Ask each other further questions to find out more information.

Television

- How much TV do you watch?
- When do you usually watch TV?
- Which channel(s) do you usually watch?
- Which kinds of TV programmes do you usually watch?
- Which is your favourite soap, sitcom, game show, chat show and reality show?
- Who is your favourite TV presenter?
- What is TV in general like in your country?

Newspapers

- How often do you read a newspaper?
- Which newspaper(s) do you usually read?
- When do you usually read the newspaper?
- Do you usually read it thoroughly or flick through it?
- Which sections of the newspaper do you read first?
- What do you like about your favourite newspaper?
- What are the different newspapers like in your country?