

READ ALL ABOUT IT

Newspapers are a really good way to give messages to the public.
At Severn Trent we try to use them to give customers information and
sometimes even ask them to help us tackle some of our
problems!

HOW IS A NEWSPAPER ARTICLE WRITTEN?

Have a look at the Trent Times and see what you can find!

Get a pen ready and underline where you find the following:

1. **Headline** – bold; few words; catchy; grabs reader attention; alliteration
2. **Orientation** – Introduces the story; should *GRAB* our attention; sets the scene; summarises the main points of the article; often only one sentence
3. **Main Body of report** – written in past tense; paragraphs; clear sentences; contains 5 W's what; where; when; who; answers why and how.
4. **Photo** – shows snapshot of what; where or who action happened to; tries to make the reader feel and want to read on
5. **Fact or opinion** – facts are true; opinion is someone's belief
6. **Punctuation** – include full stops; capital letters; commas and semi colons; speech marks around words that are spoken



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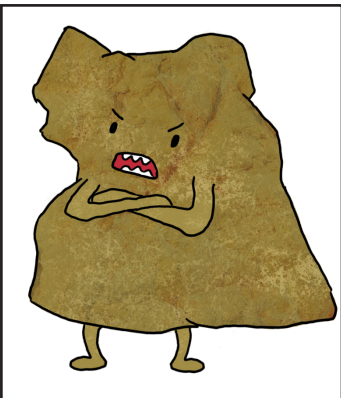
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SPECIAL ISSUE

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FATBERGS REMOVED LOCALLY

FATBERGS REMOVED FROM MIDLANDS SEWER



MENACING MONSTERS

A spokesperson for Severn Trent last night reminded us all to “Only flush down the loo, toilet paper, pee and poo and put your all your **FOG** in the bin.”

If we all act responsibly, then we can rid our sewers of these menacing monsters.



Do you know what's under your garden?

Hidden under foot, deep within our sewers there may well be a monster fatberg just lurking, waiting to cause chaos!

They are made from fats, oils and greases (FOG), wipes and other rubbish. Putting these items down the sink or toilets causes these Fatbergs to form in the sewers, which can then produce blockages and ultimately flooding; maybe even in your own home! So, how can we make sure that we **DON'T** cause a fatberg ourselves? **Easy – DON'T pour FOG down your sinks and DON'T flush wipes down the toilet.**

Instead, Severn Trent would love it if you would ‘capture’ FOG in some other way. Making a Fat Trap is a quick and simple solution to where you can store all the fat, oil and grease which is left over when you have finished cooking your meals.

Did you know?

Severn Trent deal with over **45,000** blockages a year from people putting the wrong stuff down the toilet and sink!

The sewers are only made to deal with bio-degradable human waste; that is toilet paper, pee and poo or The 3Ps. All this sewage can all be recycled. Severn Trent do amazing things with it's poo or sludge, as it can be turned into a biogas, which when burned produces electricity. This electricity can then be used to power some of the company's buildings and offices.... They prefer to call it **POO POWER!**

QUESTIONS

Now you've read the article see if you can answer the questions below

1. How many blockages does Severn Trent deal with a year?

2. Find a word in the first paragraph that the author uses to show the size some fatbergs get to

3. Name two things that can cause a fatberg to be created?

_____ and _____

4. What do Severn Trent recommend we do to stop fatbergs occurring in our sewers?

5. How do you think Severn Trent workers feel when they find a fatberg?

6. Create a headline which best summarises this news story

WRITE YOUR OWN

Use the below as a guide when writing your own newspaper article.
Pick any subject you like just make sure its exciting!

NEWSPAPER NAME

DATE

COST

WEBSITE

TEXT

TEXT

PHOTOGRAPH
OR PICTURE

ANSWERS

1. How many blockages does Severn Trent deal with a year?

Over 45,000.

2. Find a word in the first paragraph that the author uses to show the size some fatbergs get to.

Monster.

3. Name two things that can cause a fatberg to be created?

Fats, oils, greases (FOG) and wipes.

4. What do Severn Trent recommend we do to stop fatbergs occurring in our sewers?

Make a fat trap. Don't pour FOG down the sink, don't flush wipes down the loo.