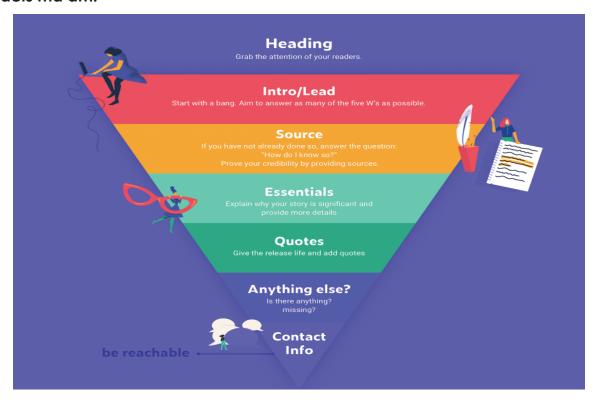
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- Be creative think of a headline to catch the readers attention.
- The lead sentence should attract the reader to find out more.
- Use the inverted pyramid style and give the most important information at the beginning. Answer the five W's: what, when, where, why and who cares...
- Think of some interesting facts or program plans to add interest.
- Add some quotes for validity like this: "The Illinois Valley News was first published in 1937," said editor Laura Mancuso.
- Don't forget your contact information Name, address, phone, email or website.
- Remember, 350 500 words is plenty, more than 500 words is too long. "Just the facts ma'am."



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