

LO: To innovate a newspaper report using your box up and toolbox

The last few weeks we have learnt all about the Twin Towers, Philippe's daring feat, grammar for parenthesis, reporting clauses, and direct and reported speech. You have also boxed up a newspaper report and identified a newspaper report toolbox.

Now you will continue to put all these together to write your newspaper report about what happened that day at the Twin Towers. Today you will write the eye witness reports and give some history and background about Philippe and the Twin Towers.

Make sure that you use the **model example**, your **box it up** and **toolbox**. Keep checking them to help.

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Brilliant Bolt Grabs Gold Again!

Jamaican Sprinter Takes London by Storm Winning Three Olympic Gold Medals

Exclusive Report by John Stevenson

Usain Bolt reaffirmed his title as the World's Fastest Man by achieving a marvellous third gold medal of the games this week. In front of a deafening capacity crowd in London's Olympic Stadium, the 25-year-old world record holder completed a remarkable set of victories to establish himself as one of the greatest sprinters of all time.

Following earlier victories in both the 100m and 200m individual sprint, Bolt inspired his Jamaica team-mates to a third triumph in the 4x100m relay. The three gold medals are added to his personal collection alongside similar achievements in the corresponding individual events of Beijing in 2008.

Afterwards, the reigning 100m and 200m world champion was understandably buoyant in his celebrations.

"It's a brilliant feeling. It's been a long road. I'm happy, but I'm relieved. It's great to be in the history books as one of the greatest. I'm proud of myself," he told reporters.

Although other athletes have won more medals than Bolt, including American sprinter Carl Lewis who was commentating for a television network, no-one else can match the explosive power and unrivalled pace exhibited by Bolt.



Usain Bolt: winner of three Olympic gold medals in London

The sprinter's Jamaican team-mates were equally jubilant following their relay victory, describing it as a momentous day in Athletics history. Even the American team, who were disqualified from the relay following a disastrous illegal baton handover, were gracious in defeat. Admitting disappointment at missing out on a team medal, Justin Gatlin promised supporters that the team had given it all they could and refused to criticise the officials' decision, but did apologise to the US fans.

Now thinking ahead to his future and the potential of bringing down the curtain on a glittering Athletics career, Bolt confirmed that he intends to compete in 2016 but retire before the next Olympic Games in 2020. Instead, he will focus on charity work, a likely ambassador role in the sport or could even consider a dramatic switch to another sport such as football. As the crowds filtered out of the magnificent stadium, the talk was all about just one man - the incredible Usain Bolt, who is surely already an Olympic legend.

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| Quotes from eye witnesses and police | <p>Eye witness - first person to spot: I had to put my glasses on to be sure of what I was seeing. At first I thought it was a big bird!</p> <p>A <u>forty year old</u> woman - was getting her morning coffee - My heart was in my mouth. I was sure he was going to fall.</p> <p>A twenty something male - works for a major bank: I'm disgusted. This guy was only thinking of himself and not the danger to others. I'm furious.</p> |
| History/background of event | <p>Philippe Petit - from France - Paris - a street performer - tightrope walks, juggling - done before - Notre <u>Damn</u> Cathedral - was arrested. When he <u>see</u> a gap - he wants to walk between.</p> <p>Amazingly - even though only opened in 1973 - not first Twin Tower stunts - three men jumped from top and parachuted down - 12 mountain climbers scaled the twin towers.</p> |

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Which of the toolbox have been used in the third and forth sections?

A 25-year-old woman - who was the first person to spot Philippe, said "I had to put my glasses on to be sure of what I was seeing. At first, I thought it was a big bird". James Smith, a 40-year-old male who was out getting his morning coffee, said "My heart was in my mouth. I was sure he was going to fall! He did put on one wild and wonderful show though!".

Not everyone was so effusive in their praise of what had happened. Another eye witness, who works for a major bank, exclaimed that he was disgusted by the stunt and felt that the guy had only been thinking of himself and not the danger to others.

This is not the first time that Philippe Petit, from France, had done something like this. It is known that he had previously been arrested for also walking on a tightrope between the Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris (his home town). It is also understood that when Philippe see a gap, he has a need to walk between them.

It is also not the first time that the World Trade Centre has been scene of a dangerous stunt. Surprisingly, despite having been only open for a little over a year now, not only have three men parachuted down from the top of the towers but also twelve mountain climbers scaled them.

Self-assessment

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Underline

- a use of direct speech
- a use of reported speech
- linking words between sentences or paragraphs
- a relative clause beginning with a pronoun
- parenthesis for extra information
- a use of the 1st person past tense