Genre features: Newspapers
Year 3
Year 4

I have included a catchy headline

My introduction sets the scene with the five Ws (who, what, where, when, why)

I have recounted events in chronological order

My closing statement brings the writing to a conclusion

It has a neat last line to grab attention

It is in the past tense

I have used the third person

I have linked paragraphs using time conjunctions

I have included emotive and descriptive language

I have included some direct speech

Year 5 Year 6

My article has a short, effective headline (which may include a pun or alliteration)

My first paragraph is packed with information

It provides a strong image and hooks the reader

The beginning of my article answers the questions of the five Ws (who, what, where, when, why)

 $My\ article\ is\ organised\ into\ many\ paragraphs\ which\ add\ detail\ to\ the\ information\ in\ the\ first\ paragraph$

My final paragraph looks ahead to the future

I have included quotes from several people/eyewitnesses

I have included indirect/reported speech

I have used unbiased and descriptive language

Genre features: Discussion Texts	
Year 5	Year 6
Persuasive Argument	I used a question for the title
I stated my point of view clearly in the introduction and in the conclusion	My introduction explains what the argument is about
I backed up each argument with relevant evidence and detail	I gave statements for and against, with reasons to support them
My argument is mainly in the present tense I used modal verbs to convey degrees of possibility	I supported the arguments with evidence, facts and statistics
I used conjunctions: o to structure the argument (first, finally)	My final paragraph sums up and may offer suggestions
 to link ideas within the argument (because, consequently) 	I used at least three examples of the language of debate (no-one can deny, some people believe)
I used persuasive devices such as:	I used verbs:
o statistics	 Mainly in the present tense
 emotive language 	 Including examples of the passive
 rhetorical questions 	 Including modal verbs
	I used impersonal pronouns
	I used a personal pronoun in the final paragraph
	only
	I used conjunctions that:
	o introduce more points (furthermore)
	o give a balanced view (however)
	o draw to a conclusion (consequently)
	I used the subjunctive form where appropriate