

# What is Journalism?

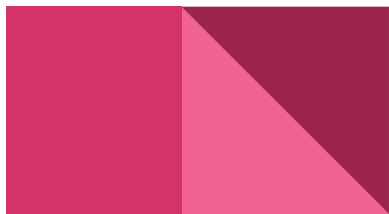
Learning where we get our news and information



# Journalism

(non-fiction)

*The work of gathering, writing, editing, and publishing or disseminating news through text messages, Tweets, newspapers, Internet, magazines, radio, television, etc.*



# What is news?



Al Qaeda leader dies in a firefight near Pakistan



News is information about a break from the normal flow of events, an interruption in the expected. News is also information that people need to have in order to make sound decisions about their lives.

**News stories are built on the 5 W's and 1 H:  
Get them into the story as soon as possible!  
News stories are top-heavy with facts so  
that the first sentence or two can stand  
alone, if need be.**

**Who** did the news happen to? Who was involved?

**What** happened? What makes this event *news*?

**When** did it happen?

**Where** did it happen?

**Why** did it happen? What was the motivation behind it?

**How** did it happen?

