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Writing Sports Coverage

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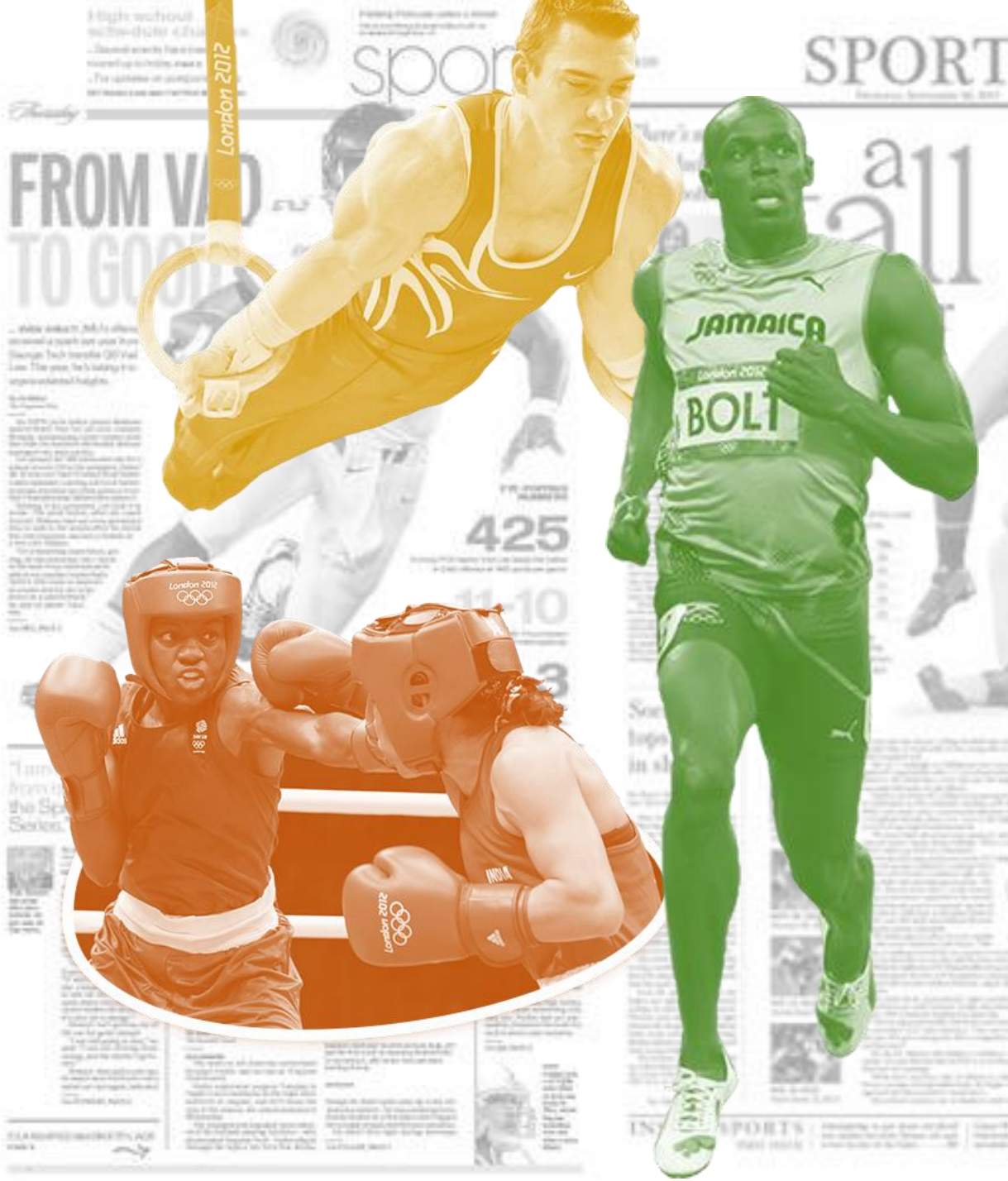

Our targets for today:

- Define sports writing and its elements;
- Distinguish between news writing and sports writing structure;
- Explain the different sports leads;
- Analyze examples of leads and headlines;
- Write sports news story/article

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SPORTS WRITING

It is a specialized form of journalism that documents the world of athletic competition. It’s the art of capturing action and highlights, and the human drama of victory and defeat.

Why cover or write sports stories?

- To master the action narrative
- To go beyond the action and court
- To understand data and analytics
- To explore human interest angles

Bagwis Catanduanes
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WINNING MOMENT | Emosyonal na niyakap ng kaniyang mga magulang at coach si Jhon Michael Nazareno matapos itong nakasungkit ng gold medal sa swimming.

Bumiyahe pa mula Tubli, Caramoran patungong Legazpi City ang kaniyang mga magulang upang sumuporta sa kanilang bunso.

Kuwento ng kaniyang inang si Corazon Nazareno, matindi ang pagnanasa ni John Michael na manalo sa Palarong Bicol dahil nais niyang makakuha ng mga pabuya.

Ani Jhon Michael, nais niyang matapos ang muling itinatayong bahay nila nang ma-wash out ito ng bagyong Uwan noong nakaraang taon.

Mangingisda ang hanabuhay ng kaniyang ama habang nagtitinda naman ng isda ang kaniyang ina kaya't mangarap umano nitong makatulong sa kaniyang pamilya sa pamamagitan ng isports | via Ricky V. Tid/Bagwis Catanduanes

Alysa Liu released the pressure, reclaimed her joy and turned it into Olympic gold

EALA'S INCREDIBLE JOURNEY FROM PHILIPPINES TO GLOBAL STARDOM

AUG 13, 2026

Sports writing becomes a daunting task for student-writers because …

- **Lack of interests** in sports;
- **Limited time** for workshops (game watching & writing sports stories); and
- **Mediocre** school-based intramurals

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a different writing experience

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2019

ROAD TO REDEMPTION

Cat'nes vows to move forward, never give up in Palarong Bicol '19

DAVE S. TOLENTINO

MASBATE CITY—Fully-recovered from a heavy heartbreak over yesteryear's misfortune in the regional sports meet, the Catanduanes athletic delegation promised this time to keep moving forward without any thoughts of surrender.

Yelling their battle chant before a jam-packed Masbate Sports Complex, 589 strong Catanduanes delegates said that "[they] are proud to be Oragons. Sulong Catandungan! Laban daing atrasan!" during the kick off program of the Palarong Bicol 2019 on February 24, 2019.

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FROM DOWNTOWN
Hanzelle Rodulfo of Catanduanes 3x3 basketball team releases a long distance two-pointer in the crunch time. Catanduanes showcases hot outside shooting to subdue Sorsogon Province.

DTolentino

Master chef to athletes: Expect healthy, hearty food in your plate

DAVE S. TOLENTINO

THE ONLY WAY to strengthen a champion's heart is to care for his stomach.

Local athletes who are set to battle their way to victory in 2019 Palarong B should expect nutritious and delicious meals in their nearly two-week stay in Ma City, a DepEd food expert said.

"The foods that we will serve will power them up during their games. We w also make sure na masarap sa, masustansya pa ang ilalagay namin sa mga plato n said Roderick Matienzo, the official master chef of this year's Catanduanes deleg

Catanduanes reaps 5 gold in Special Events

IT'S A FAITHFUL DAY!

Lady wood pusher Olalo bags 1st gold for Cat'nes

Kiddie tanker nets bronze in 50-m breast stroke

Bagwis strikers gain momentum in sepak takraw

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Bagwis dribblers take down Camarines Sur

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Rowers to coaches: Defeat is not failure

Cat'nes beats Sorsogon City, moves to semifinals

Bagwis footballers upset Legazpi City

Gigmoto kid ranks 2nd in gymnastics

I was really happy because we went through a period of hardships before the contest
–Coach Daydwon

Bagwis ends sepak takraw stretch with silver medal

Cat'nes softbelles slip past Cam Norte, to face Legazpi anew

WE ARE STILL KICKING.

DAY 4

Junior strikers set gold medal showdown against Masbate Prov

ON A STREAK

RISING BAGWIS. Jet Ed Bo delivers a lead crunch to rookie Masbate Province Catanduanes secondary rookie Rose Pamentian locks his eyes on the basket as he prepares for a power crowdball.

Bagwis dribblers demolish Cam Norte

Palarong Bicol 2019

A Special Coverage

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Fighting in Milagros, Bagwis batters are victors of Day 2

PITCH READY. Catanduanes secondary baseball pitcher Rose Pamentian locks his eyes on the batter as he prepares for a power crowdball.

#BagwisStats

DEFENSE IS THE BEST OFFENSE

21 TEAM STEALS

15 TEAM BLOCKS

TRIPLE DOUBLE
RC Javier
No. 15

11 points
8 assists
11 rebounds

GOING TO FINALS

Bagwis batters Naga City, to face defending champ Cam Sur for gold

#BagwisStats

BAGWIS SOFTBELLES vs CATANDUANES

BAT FOR GOLD. Catanduanes secondary pitcher Rose Pamentian locks his eyes on the basket as he prepares for a power crowdball.

CAM NORTE	10-0
SORSOGON	14-3
ALBAY	13-6
NAGA CITY	6-1

Catanduanes eskrimador bags bronze on her birthday

Cat'nes claims runner-up title in women's billiards tourney

BOUND TO PALARONG PANAHANAN

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GOLDEN BOY

SOARING HIGH – After a forgettable performance in Tokyo three years ago, Carlos Yulo redeems himself with a golden performance in the men's floor exercise final of the 2024 Paris Olympics on Saturday, Aug. 3, 2024, at the Bercy Arena. (AP)

Yulo crowned king of Paris floor exercise

By REY C. LACHICA

PARIS – The moment has finally arrived, and Carlos Yulo seized the opportunity with a performance beyond imagination to win the country's first gold medal in the 2024 Paris Olympics on Saturday, Aug. 3, at the Bercy Stadium.

But he started his a while before completing his incredible journey being the third to perform in the 8-player finals.

And when the score of the last gymnast – British Luke Whitehouse – was flashed on a giant TV monitor above – Yulo dropped to his knees, covered his face with both hands in disbelief.

Tears started to roll over on his face and eventually cried unabashedly.

It was a great sight and almost magical.

Even to those watching him – the Filipinos inside the arena – were also teary-eyed – all happy and proud that another Filipino with an indomitable spirit emerged triumphant in the biggest sports show on earth.

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Stop Manila Bay reclamation

By JEL SANTOS

After underscoring that reclamation negatively impacts natural waterways and causes intense flooding, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) was urged to immediately revoke the environmental permits issued to more than 20 reclamation projects in Manila Bay.

The Freshwating Labas ng Kilusang ►4

Marcos grants salaries increase, health benefits for gov't workers

By ARIEL CYRUS BORRICO

President Marcos has issued Executive Order (EO) No. 64, increasing government workers' salaries and granting them an additional allowance.

Executive Secretary Lucas P. Bersamin, by authority of the President, signed EO 64 on Aug. 2, 2024.

►4

Vice mayor in Maguindanao del Sur, aide slain in ambush

By TRISTAN LOZADA and KEITH BACONGCO

The vice mayor of Sultan Upi, Maguindanao del Sur and his nephew who served as his security aide were killed in an ambush on Friday afternoon, Aug. 2.

Police identified the vice mayor as Bobbit Manalo. The identity of his nephew was not disclosed.

►4

SC supports Philippine Muslim Judges Association

By REY PANALIGAN

The Supreme Court (SC) has expressed its full support to the formation of the Philippine Muslim Judges Association (PMJA) in the country's shari'ah district courts and shari'ah circuit courts.

The PMJA was set up to establish a platform for facilitating collabo- ►4

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GOLDEN BOY

The Philippines' Carlos Yulo kisses his medal as he celebrates during the podium ceremony and (left) throws his arms in the air after his winning routine in the men's floor exercise finals at the Paris Olympics Saturday.

From Page 1

By NELSON BELTRAN

For the second straight Olympics, the Philippine national anthem was played at the greatest sporting show on earth.

Yulo rated his yet-to-end with a chance to become an Olympic double-gold winner as he's also vying in the vault final Sunday.

It would have been a brighter golden Saturday for Team Philippines if not for the sorry split decision loss by 57kg boxer Carlo Paalam to an Australian foe over in the Pure North Arena.

Adding to the joy was EJ Obiena overcoming a faulty start and thundering to the pole vault final at the Stade de France.

The biggest cheers belonged to Yulo, the newest member of a short list of Filipino Olympic medalists, joining fellow gold winner Diaz (also with a silver), silver winners Anthony Villanueva, Onyok Velasco, Nestory Peteio and Paalam, and bronze holders Teofilo Stevenson, Simeon Pedia, Jose Villanueva, Miguel White, Leopoldo Serantes, Roel Velasco and Ioana Maniale.

With Yulo's feat, the Olympic medal stash of the country continued to grow. Diaz' silver feat in 2020 in Rio is the 1-2-1 gold-silver-bronze breakthrough in 2021 in Tokyo and to these Games where Team Philippines is in a good position to even strike harder, punch stronger and soar higher.

At night, Ato Village, was to seek a spot in the women's 50kg semifinals vs a rare bronze.

Parilaos missed the same in a 2-3 loss to Australian Charlie Senior. The Bukidnon bet would have made history as the first Filipina boxer to collect two Olympic medals if not for the shock call. With two bronzes now overcome Yildezza.

Yulo, however, quickly soothed the pain and heartaches felt by the Nationals on Diokno's loss.

A packed mandate of Filipinos inside the grand Paris arena by the River Seine and millions watching on television back in the country celebrated with Yulo as he took his place among the best – a spot in the pantheon of Filipino sporting greats.

Beating other finalists Jake Jarman of Great Britain, Illia Kovtun of Ukraine, Mikail Katsuv of Kazakhstan, Luke Whitehouse also of Great Britain, and Zhang Boheng of China, Yulo's exercise took him first in the hearts of Filipinos and in Philippine sports lore for a long, long time.

Delgaco took the silver while Jarman, a EU British, earned the bronze.

Petecio too good for French pride

By NELSON BELTRAN

PARIS – Nesthy Petecio is a fighter experienced enough to leave the need to dig deeper to beat a home bet and home crowd.

Dig deep she did to get past French boxer Amina Zidani and march to the quarterfinals of the women's featherweight division of the South Paris Arena Friday night.

She knows how to play the home crowd, too.

Entering the fight versus making no claims of "Amina Zidani," Petecio even succeeded the crowd to get louder.

Like in her previous bout, she absorbed it as "Filipinas' Fight Night."

Zidani took care of business, getting up a methodical effort in clip Zidani, silence the crowd and not allow a hometown decision to come into play.

Coming through with a 4-1 win, the Tokyo silver medalist moved on the cusp of another Olympic podium finish.

Petecio fights for a place in the semifinals as she next targets world champion Xu Zuhuan at 9:30 p.m. Sunday (Manila time).

"One bout at a time po eh. Malaray laro ang kalaban. Ito ay laro," said Petecio.

Against Zidani, Petecio had to deal with things outside – the fighting style of the French boxer and the judging favoring a home fighter.

"Noong una, ang gusto pala nung mauna kinda ako eh, dapat ako ang mag-umpisa. Nagulat ako sa resulta – expected ko na 3-2 yun pero ako ang nanalo. Nagulat ako sa laban (especially) – said Petecio.

She then engaged in aggressive fighting, working hard to the body, knowing Zidani's weak at the midsection.

"At least nagulat ko sa," said the proud fighter from Davao.

Petecio put up a six-third round last home crowd tonight (over the judging). Also onto Jun Ring bout to show match at last country," she pointed out.

For coach Jon Alvarez, Petecio's close shot was about picking punches.

"She knew the best to pick punches and she picked it up well. She did what she had to do," said ABAP's Australian coach.

Throwing volleyes to complete domination in the second bout, Petecio connected with a hook that sent Zidani down.

Team USA 'second to none'

Barring any major hiccup, the armored Team USA is poised to empty supreme in the Paris Olympics for the 40th straight goal.

LA Lakers guard Austin Reaves, member of the Team USA squad that settled for fourth in the 2023 FIBA World Cup in Manila has this belief in his component's capability to regain foothold of the world basketball order in the ongoing Summer Games.

"I really like their chances. Their talent is second to none," said Reaves, who was unveiled as the newest ambassador of Aptus Plus at the Shangri-La The Fort yesterday.

"If they'll continue to play alongside each other the right way, build the chemistry and trust one another, I don't think anybody can beat them," he added – John Bryan Ulanday

TEAM PHL SCHEDULE

EJ shakes off slow start, gains finals

By NELSON BELTRAN

PARIS – There was a gripping, tense moment for Team Philippines at high noon at the Stade de France Saturday.

But EJ Obiena flew the nest, escaped blunder and later thundered to qualification to the final round of the 2024 Olympics men's pole vault competition.

In danger of bowing out at 5.6m distance with two missed attempts, the giant Filipino ace went for 5.7 on his third and final attempt, and gave everyone a big sigh of relief with a clean, clean, clean vault.

The world No. 2 then also cleared 5.75 and made the medal play among 12 finalists led by superstar Mondobler Armand "Mondo" Duplantis of Sweden.

Yet, when they cover the high bar at 5.75m with Latvia's Valters Karlis and Australian Kurtis Marschall completing the chosen medal spot list with their matching 5.72m efforts.

After nearing past 5.75 were Ukraine Gutsmeister of Sorrows, Greek Emmanouil Karalis, Turkey's Ersu Sasna, Germany's Oleg Zernikel, the Netherlands' Menno Vloon, American Sam Kendricks, Canada's Huang Bohan and another German Bo Kanda Lavillenie.

They will be back at France's cavernous national stadium Monday for Olympic glory.

Obiena is to attempt his shot in Olympics pole vault final for the second time. He was 11th in Tokyo in 2021.

OLYMPICS MEDAL TALLY

COUNTRY	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOTAL
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA	6	5	4	15
FRANCE	5	3	10	18
AUSTRALIA	5	3	1	9
GREAT BRITAIN	4	6	3	13
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	4	10	7	21
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	3	1	2	6
JAPAN	3	1	1	5
ITALY	3	0	4	7
NETHERLANDS	3	0	3	6
CANADA	2	1	1	4
GERMANY	2	1	0	3
HUNGARY	2	1	0	3
NEW ZEALAND	2	1	0	3
HUNGARY	2	0	1	3
HONG KONG, CHINA	1	2	1	4
IRELAND	1	1	0	2
PHILIPPINES	1	0	0	1

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6D LOTTO	2 7 5 4 6 5
6/42 LOTTO	
6/58 GRANDLOTTO	35 32 7 5 11 23
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In what ways have you cared for God's creation? How can you become a better steward of it this week?

SPORTS WRITING vs NEWS WRITING

PHILIPPINE DAILY
INQUIRER

DOWN AND OUT Referee Kenny Bayless calls the fight over after Filipino boxing hero Manny Pacquiao is knocked out by Mexico's Juan Manuel Marquez in the first second of the sixth round of their World Boxing Organization (WBO) welterweight rumble match at MGM Grand Garden Arena in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Dynamite punch stuns PH

Marquez kayoes Pacquiao in sixth

By Ray Learoa

LAS VEGAS—The unthinkable happened as Manny Pacquiao got knocked out by Juan Manuel "El Dinamita" Marquez on Saturday night (Sunday afternoon in Manila), sending

'A painful defeat felt across the nation'

THE PUNCH that knocked out [illegible] boxing hero Manny Pacquiao left the Philippines shocked.

Highlights CONFLICT & ACTION

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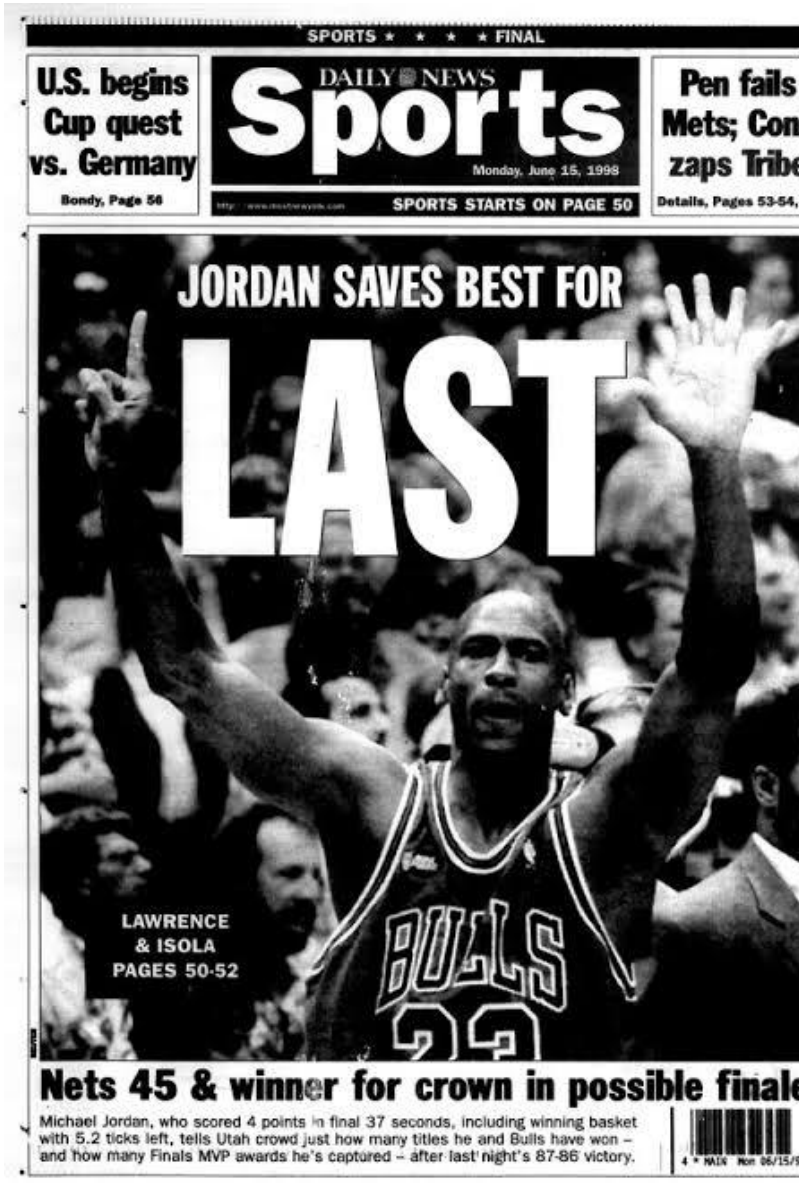

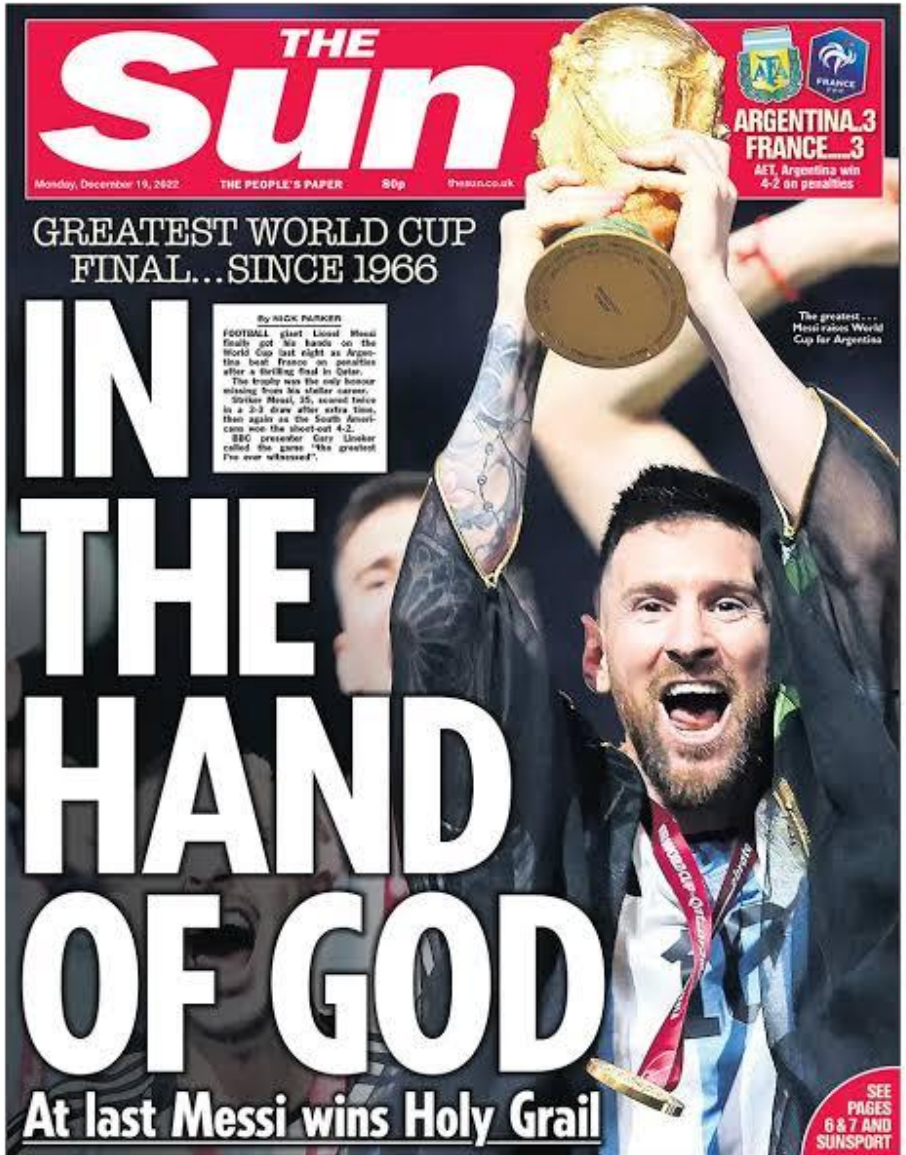

Uses sports lingo and fancy verbs

Is more playful when relating to scenes

Ruthless Jannik Sinner marches into French Open fourth round

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Maintain the Momentum of Ideas

Boost the Power of Movements

Dapat maramdaman ng mambabasa na parang nanonood din sila ng laro.

And your words and stories have the power to let your readers feel the intensity and drama as if they're inside the court.

LEAD/INTRO

The sports lead is the attention-getter.

- Summary Lead
- The Novelty Lead
- The Key Play Lead
- The Outstanding Player Lead
- The Analytical Approach Lead

The Summary Lead

"Six Honest Serving Men"

5Ws 1H

What, Who, When, Where, Why, How

Basic info. lang muna!

The Summary Lead

Catanduanes National High School Lady Spikers completed their back-to-back championships on Wednesday after sweeping Gigmoto Rural Development High School in Game 2 of their best-of-three series, 25-23, 25-20, 25-16, at the Virac Sports Complex.

The Summary Lead

Naungusan ni former Palarong Bicol medalist Jay Abayon mula sa Catanduanes National High School ang Bato-based paddler na si Rico Miranda, 2-0, para masungkit ang huling puwesto para sa gold medal match matapos ang table tennis semifinals na ginanap sa Virac Sports Complex.

The Novelty Lead

Attention-getter lead.

It has to be effective, unique, and striking.

Dapat kakaiba!

The Novelty Lead

The grittiest battle leads to the sweetest victory.

Despite facing the much experienced opponent, the 13-year-old cue artist from Virac overcame an early deficit and defeated the 11th grader, 10-7, winning the 9-ball billiards gold medal yesterday.

The Novelty Lead

Hindi makaalpas sa bilis at lakas.

Muling nangibabaw ang kombinasyon ng lakas at liksi ni Jerry Novio, 12-anyos na smasher ng Bato Rural Development High School matapos nitong dominahin si Reggie Espiritu, 3-0, sa kanilang badminton quarterfinals na sagupaan sa Virac Sports Complex.

The Novelty Lead

Walang makakapigil!

Muling nanalasa ang defending champion Red Warriors matapos tambakan ang Green Archers, 80-48, sa ikatlong araw ng basketball tournament kahapon sa Ynares Sports Stadium.

The Novelty Lead

Gintong medalya na, naging bato pa.

Bigong maipanalo ni Rex Teves ang gintong medalya matapos bumawi ni Trevor Leon sa huling set at makapagtala ng come-from-behind win, 2-1, sa kanilang table tennis finals sa Cuneta Astrodome kahapon.

The Novelty Lead

Solid connection at its finest!

Flaunting their on court chemistry, the tandem of Jorge Wawao and Jes Discaya proved to be a strong force as they handled Unit 3 a 3-0 drubbing during the table tennis elimination game yesterday at the school auditorium.

The Novelty Lead

A promise made last year was finally fulfilled today.

Fuelled by the team's early exit last provincial meet, Catanduanes National High School team captain Rex Vargas fulfilled his promise by lifting his squad after posting 32 points and 12 rebounds to reclaim the basketball championship.

The Novelty Lead

Simply unstoppable!

Virac point guard sensation Jason Curry posted yet another masterful performance scoring 12 points to carry Unit IV Cagers to a lopsided victory, 21-8, against Unit 1 Dribblers.

The Novelty Lead

A familiar foe in a different territory.

Facing against each other for the third time this year, visiting junior smasher Jun Reyes will face Bato-based netter Clyde Dizon in his home turf for the men's badminton gold medal at Cabugao covered court tomorrow.

The Key Play Lead

The most decisive or most crucial moment of the game. This is the turning point of the match.

Dramatic ending ba.

The Key Play Lead

The Calatagan High School bombed the Nationalian Batters with six runs in the third inning to subdue a nerve-fuzzling Nationalian rally, 14-12, as they clinched the invitation game yesterday at the Virac Athletic Complex.

The Key Play Lead

Down two points with four seconds left in the final frame, hot shooting guard Bimby Yap nailed a halfcourt 47 feet shot, leaving Catanduanes State University Ballers in shock, 73-72 to snatch the victory yesterday at CatSU Gymnasium.

The Outstanding Player Lead

Start your story with
the best player of the game and support it with statistics.

Sino ang bida sa laro?
MVP level ba?

The Outstanding Player Lead

Kirby Aguilar shook off a shoulder injury to 15 attacks and 8 blocks, as the Unit III Dragons staged a dramatic comeback victory to beat Unit IV Panthers, 3-2, yesterday at the Rawis Gymnasium.

The Outstanding Player Lead

Sumandal ang CatSU Lizards sa heroics ni Ramona Ang matapos itong makapagtala ng 10 points sa huling taltong minuto ng laban upang tangayin ang panalo kontra FEU Tamarraws sa quarterfinals ng women's 3x3 basketball.

HEADLINE

The headline of a sports coverage should tell right away who or which team won over whom. Appropriate action words should be used to indicate who won depending on how the event unfolded.

SPORTING EVENT:
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SPORTS ARTICLE:
ALIKABOK

USUAL HEADLINE

Winning Player + Verb + Losing Player

CNHS Tigers dump CatSU Lizards

Teston upsets former Palarong Bicol medalist

USUAL HEADLINE

Winning Team/Player + Verb + Losing Team/Player

CRDHS pinatumba ang Tubli cagers

Unit I Tigers ginulat ang Unit III Warriors

USUAL HEADLINE

Winning Player + Verb + Losing Player

Unit 3 thrashes Unit 2

CNHS Cagers escape CHS Dunkers

USUAL HEADLINE

Winning Team/Player + Verb + Losing Team/Player

Subion pinaluhod si Rebola

Bagwis Catanduanes pinahiya ang Legaspi City

MODIFIED HEADLINE

Winning Player + Verb + Losing Player + Modifier

Red Lions survive Green Archers in semis

Ocampo punishes Santos in men’s boxing

MODIFIED HEADLINE

Winning Player + Verb + Losing Player + Modifier

Red Lions sinuwag ang Blue Archers sa semis

Virac nanlamig kontra Caramoran sa unang laban

STORY-BASED HEADLINE

Winning Player + Verb + Story-Based Angle

Santos siblings extend reign in dancesports

Blue Eagles dominate elimination round

STORY-BASED HEADLINE

Winning Player + Verb + Story-Based Angle

Aguilar nagbida sa panalo ng Unit I kontra Unit III

Ranola sibak sa 9-ball open; Pagulayan umabante sa quarters

Double Decker (comma)

Virac fends off Bagamanoc,
books Palarong Panlalawigan finals vs Bato

Araojo-Jacob tandem outshines San Andres,
claims four golds in dancesports

HAMMER

COMPLETE DOMINANCE

Virac kickers sweep foes in Mayor’s Cup

BACK AGINST THE WALL

CNHS tries to avoid elimination,
faces defending champs

HAMMER

DROUGHT NO MORE

Pandan cops gold medal in volleyball after ten years

STILL UNDEFEATED

Subion shames Sarmiento,
retains perfect record

HAMMER

WALANG ATRASAN

Caramoran gymnasts humataw sa ikalawang araw ng Palarong Bicol

SUPALPAL

Fajardo pumoste ng career-high

sa panalo ng Beermen kontra Kings

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Cop

Seize

Reign

Rule

Dump

Overwhelm

Destroy

Demolish

Knock Out

Shock

Shame

Outsmart

Outclass

Below is a list of words sportswriters substitute for "defeat" in different situations. Pick those words that you believe are inappropriate, can be used in close matches or in total dominance.

crush rip kill ruin pummel
destroy murder slay poke wreck
down edge upend devastate
beat trounce bury wallop nail
rout annihilate clobber bomb upset
rock beat up punch put away
surprise

CLOSE MATCHES

- Pokes
- Edges
- Upends
- Holds off
- Sneaks past
- Shades
- Nips
- Survives
- Trounces
- Escapes
- Beats

CLOSE MATCHES

- Inungusan
- Bumalikwas
- Nagpumiglas
- Bumira
- Umungos
- Gumuhit
- Kumalas
- Inisahan
- Kumawala
- Dinaig
- Pinutol

LOPSIDED MATCHES

- Crush
- Rip
- Ruin
- Pummel
- Destroy
- Wreck
- Devastate
- Trounce
- Rout
- Annihilate
- Clobber
- Thrubs
- Manhandles
- Dismantles
- Whips
- Bludgeons
- Drubs
- Thrashes
- Wallops

LOPSIDED MATCHES

- Kumana
- Nagpasiklab
- Humataw
- Umariba
- Bumuwelta
- Bumalandra
- Lumarga
- Isinalpak
- Ginulat
- Winasak

Watch and analyze the game.

Team A – 85

Team B – 40

Tambak!

Watch and analyze the game.

Team A – 78

Team B – 77

Dikitan!

Watch and analyze the game.

Team A – 25 20 23

Team B – 21 25 25

Uy, humabol!

Watch and analyze the game.

Team A – 25 20 25

Team B – 21 25 23

Uy, muntik na!

THE BODY

1. The best highlight plays
2. Play-by-Play
3. Quotation (Interviews)
4. Statistics
5. Analysis

“The best highlight plays”

Biglang uminit ang Unit I sa kalagitnaan ng first set matapos magpakawala si Rex Cortes ng tatlong matututulis na roll spikes para itabla ang iskor, 13-13.

“The best highlight plays”

Down by 2 points with four seconds left, Romeo delivered a dramatic three-point basket to shock the defending champions.

“Play-by-Play”

Agad na umarangkada ang tandem ng Unit I sa unang set matapos umiskor si Santos ng tatlong net drives at dalawang smash mula kay Bono, 5-2.

Bumuwelta naman ang 13-anyos na netter ng Unit IV nang bitawan nito ang mapanlinlang na crosscourt attacks, 6-4.

“Interview Quotes”

Ayon sa striker ng Lizards, naging epektibo ang kanilang paghahanda at game plan para sa laban kontra sa defending champions.

“Sinunod lang namin yung sinabi ni coach na dapat open communication at receive the ball properly,” ani Tud.

“Interview Quotes”

The thirteen-year-old paddler admitted that he was outplayed by Mareol from the start of second set.

“Nag-adjust siya sa kaniyang atake at talagang hindi ko napaghandaan iyon,” said Mareol.

“Statistics”

Pumoste si Alapag ng 15 points, 6 rebounds, at 4 assists, samantalang umambag naman ng 10 points, 5 rebounds, at 2 steals si Pingris.

“Statistics”

The defending champions banked on their defensive prowess after registering a team effort 15 blocks compared to only 4 deflections of Green Panthers.

snapped four-game skid

went on a scoring rampage

hard-earned triumph

solid output

picked up the slack

late game meltdown

leaning on clutch baskets

four-point cushion

added 18 markers

THE BODY

1. One sentence one paragraph rule
2. Separate direct and indirect quotes
3. One single idea per paragraph
4. Choose important highlights only
5. Use past tense

POINTS FOR IMPROVEMENT

1. Lead should complement the headline
2. Double check details
3. Include in-game analysis and statistics
4. Observe coherence of ideas, use cohesive devices
5. Do not memorize sports article structure
6. Include quotations/interviews

Poor/Weak/Wrong

CNHS suffers close defeat at the hands of Bato RDHS

Bato Rural Development High School demolished Catanduanes National High School in a thrilling basketball game held at Cabugao Gymnasium, yesterday.

Poor/Weak/Wrong

Tigers drubbed the Lions in the opening set after scoring 1-0, then Lions responded with a powerful spike courtesy of Avila followed by Samonte's complex attacks, 1-3. But in the end, Tigers took care of the first set, 25-12.

Covering Sports Events

What should sports writers cover?

1. Actual games (from eliminations to finals)
2. Advancers (schedules or most-awaited events)
3. Story-based angles (significance, impact)
4. Drama and conflict (injuries, rivalries, records)

Possible challenges during sports coverage

1. Going to the game venue unprepared;
2. Gets overwhelmed by lots of information;
3. Lacks patience, grit, and passion ;

Possible challenges during sports coverage

4. Is afraid of asking questions

5. Unfamiliar events such as chess, baseball, gymnastics, arnis, lawn tennis

Qualities of a Sports Writer

1. Must know sports rules
2. Must attend games as reporter, not as spectator
3. Must observe accuracy
4. Must be able to take notes quickly without losing the sequence of a play

What should sports writers do during the sports event?

1. Gather information before and after the game.
2. Always bring a piece of paper for score sheets and play-by-play account.

Tips in Writing Sports Story

1. Write the story immediately after the event.
2. Be accurate not only with scores but also the highlights of the game.
3. Include personal background of the player.
4. Use sports lingo, but do not overdo it.
5. Be selective in picking out details in the story.

Tips in Writing Sports Story

6. Check for spelling, grammar rules, unity, and coherence.
7. Put the final score high in the story.
8. Do not editorialize. Keep it balanced.
9. Do not hesitate to ask questions during interview.

Preparing your sports writers before the contest

1. Let them watch different sports events. (Video or actual game)
2. Act as an interviewee if you can’t have the actual games.
3. Allow them to develop their own style of writing as long as they follow the basic rules of reporting.
4. Provide them with a rulebook of different sports events.
5. Give them a compilation of sports articles from internet or newspaper (e.g. Spin.ph)

Preparing your sports writers before the contest

6. DO NOT require them to memorize a sample article.
7. Analyze different styles of writing and ask them which of them is more effective for him as a writer.
8. Let them cover unfamiliar sports events.
9. DO NOT let them work on their writing skills alone. We should always guide our writers.

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