





# Middle School & Junior High English Homework



-  Use the newspaper to look for unfamiliar words. When you have 20 words, define them and make a crossword puzzle. Bring your puzzle, along with the answers, to class. You may also want to submit your puzzle to the school newspaper.
-  Read the opinion page of the newspaper. Decide if the writer of each opinion logically constructed the piece or if it tends to be emotionally constructed. Give your reasons for your observations.
-  Find two or three other classmates to help with this activity. Find an ad in the newspaper and write two television commercials for it. For one of them, use the same persuasive technique used in the newspaper.
-  Find examples of several different ads in the newspaper that deal with the same product or service. Compare and contrast the ads in terms of layout, prices, claims, etc. Choose one in each category that you prefer and state your reasons why.

## Newspapers in Education

*The Benton County Daily Record, Northwest Arkansas Times, & Arkansas Democrat-Gazette*

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