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A newspaper report based on a fictional, familiar story

THE MIGHTY KING RETURNS!

As the White Witch becomes stronger, King Aslan returns for justice.

BREAKING NEWS!

Formal statement provides essential detail and establishes the appropriate tone.

Our loyal hero, King Aslan, has returned to save us all from her majesty Queen Jadis! He is told to return at dawn and unite with humans, then together their power will be released as a weakness of the horrid, evil and cold hearted witch.

Multi-clause sentence incorporates subordination with coordination

If you are confused, Aslan is a beautiful, kind lion, who rules the forest with democracy - unlike our hated Queen...

Aslan is our hero; he will save us all to bring joy to Narnia. From now, instead of snow, cold weather and icy lakes, we will finally be presented with spring! Our future lies in Aslan's hands. However, he plans to destroy the Queen - we will all agree, nobody tells Aslan what to do or what to say...

High-level punctuation:
Semi-colons to link independent but related clauses
Dashes to mark the boundary between clauses

The Daily Chronicles of Narnia went out and received some EXCLUSIVE

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GOSSIP! Our very own colleague reported, "I hope Aslan and the siblings take down that monster; she stole my milk and jam cookies."

Shift between the levels of formality – speech contrasts with the formality of the reporter.

Another person (Mrs Beaver) claimed, "I know that woman, she won't give up without a fight!"

Finally, the White Witch screamed from her icy castle, "Who thinks that a smelly, ugly and stupid fool could defeat me, mwhahh mwhahh!"

Aslan will use his mighty power of being a king to take down Judis White. He will also bring freedom to Narnia. Joy and peace will be happily restored to our miserable land. He will make Peter (a human) King or Prince and make Narnia (which is under a horrible spell) return to a grassy hillside.

Modal verbs selected to emphasise the apparent power of the character and the less likely power of the other person.

Our final thoughts of the incredible story is that Aslan will save us all and he also will save Narnia. Like we always say, 'Never judge a book by its cover'.

Spelling is accurate throughout.

Handwriting maintains legibility and fluency with letters appropriately joined.

The newspaper report draws on the reading of a class novel and précises key events to inform the writing.

Appropriate presentational devices are used including a powerful headline and sub-heading to orientate the reader.