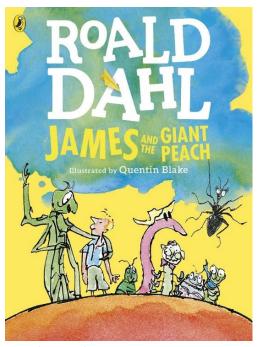




Write a news story about an adventure outdoors

Inspired by James and the Giant Peach



James was an ordinary boy who went on an extraordinary journey... in a GIANT PEACH! He was joined by some giant insects who became his friends, and some seagulls who helped the peach to fly across the ocean. The giant peach finally lands on top of the Empire State building in New York and it becomes a worldwide news story!

1. Go outside

Venture outside and keep your eyes peeled for creepy crawlies!

2. Find three travel companions

Look for three different insects that are all different in shape and size. Imagine that these critters can grow to the same size as you and will become your travel buddies in your very own giant peach.

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3. Write a news report

Write a newspaper report about the journey you made with your new friends. Think about the following questions to help you get started:

- Where will your peach travel to?
- Does it land near your house of somewhere far away?
- What challenges or obstacles might you come across on your journey?

You could even include interviews from the insects (maybe they have names!) and describe their special skills – in the book, the glow worm uses his tail as a light.

Bonus activity

Take photos of your chosen insects and write character profiles about them. As well as special powers, imagine they have likes and dislikes too. You might also want to include details such as their size, their biggest fears and and their personality traits.

Explore more online

- BBC Bitesize has some <u>handy tips</u> on how to write a newspaper article
- This James and the Giant Peach <u>resource from Puffin</u> includes extracts from the book, minibeast fact files, and bonus activities!
- <u>Listen</u> to the opening of James and the Giant Peach on Soundcloud for free

