




MONDAY

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BRANSTON PICKLE





On Wednesday 18th February 2015, Lord Pickle  
invited four of his closest friends from the village to  
a banquet at his beautiful stately home – Southwark  
Hall...

# SOUTHWARK HALL



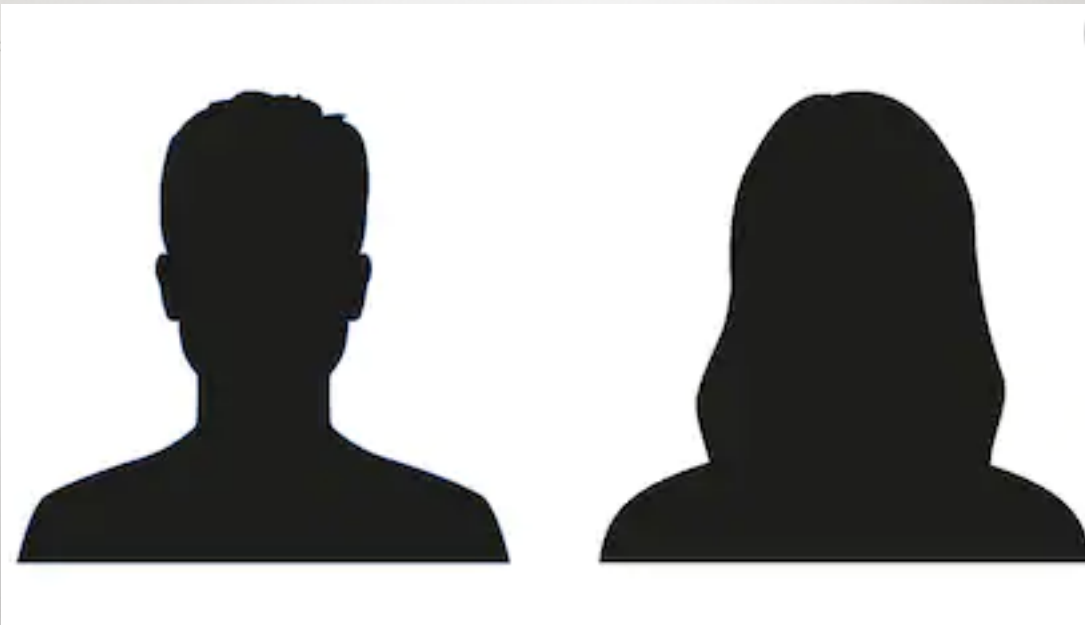




During this banquet Lord Pickle was murdered by one of his guests!

You must now decide which room the crime took place and choose the murder weapon. Write a description of the murder scene and the murder weapon as if you were Reporter John Smith writing a report to The Hayes Observer.

# REPORTER YOU









Candlestick



Wrench



Rope



Lead Pipe



Knife



Revolver



Axe



Poison






# TASK

Write a short report of the murder as if you were the reporter.

You must write in the **third person** as this report is for the newspaper. Keep it formal and factual

- ❖ Where was he murdered?
- ❖ Who found him?
- ❖ What did the crime scene look like?
- ❖ Was there a sign of a struggle?
- ❖ How was Lord Pickle murdered?
- ❖ Was the murder weapon found at the scene – or was it missing?





Lord Pickle, a renowned member of the community, was hosting a private banquet for close friends on the night of his murder. He was discovered by guests facedown on the carpet of his study whilst the party waited for the 6<sup>th</sup> course to be prepared. The coroner reported cause of death was attributed to a blunt trauma to the head.

According to Lord Pickle's staff, a candlestick was found to be missing from the room.





TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY

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PROFESSOR PLUM

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MR. GREEN

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**COLONEL MUSTARD**

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MISS SCARLETT

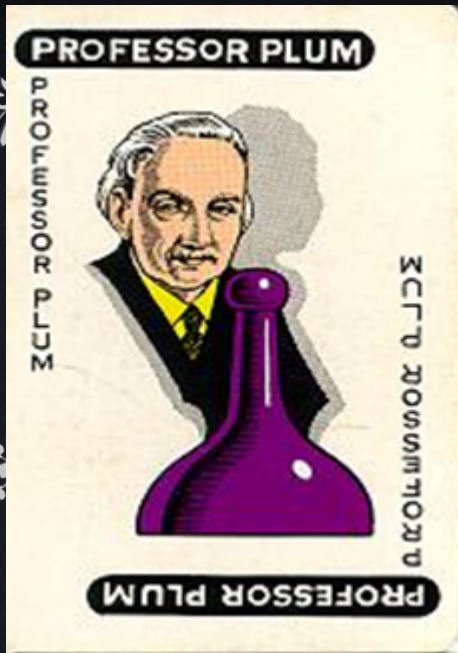
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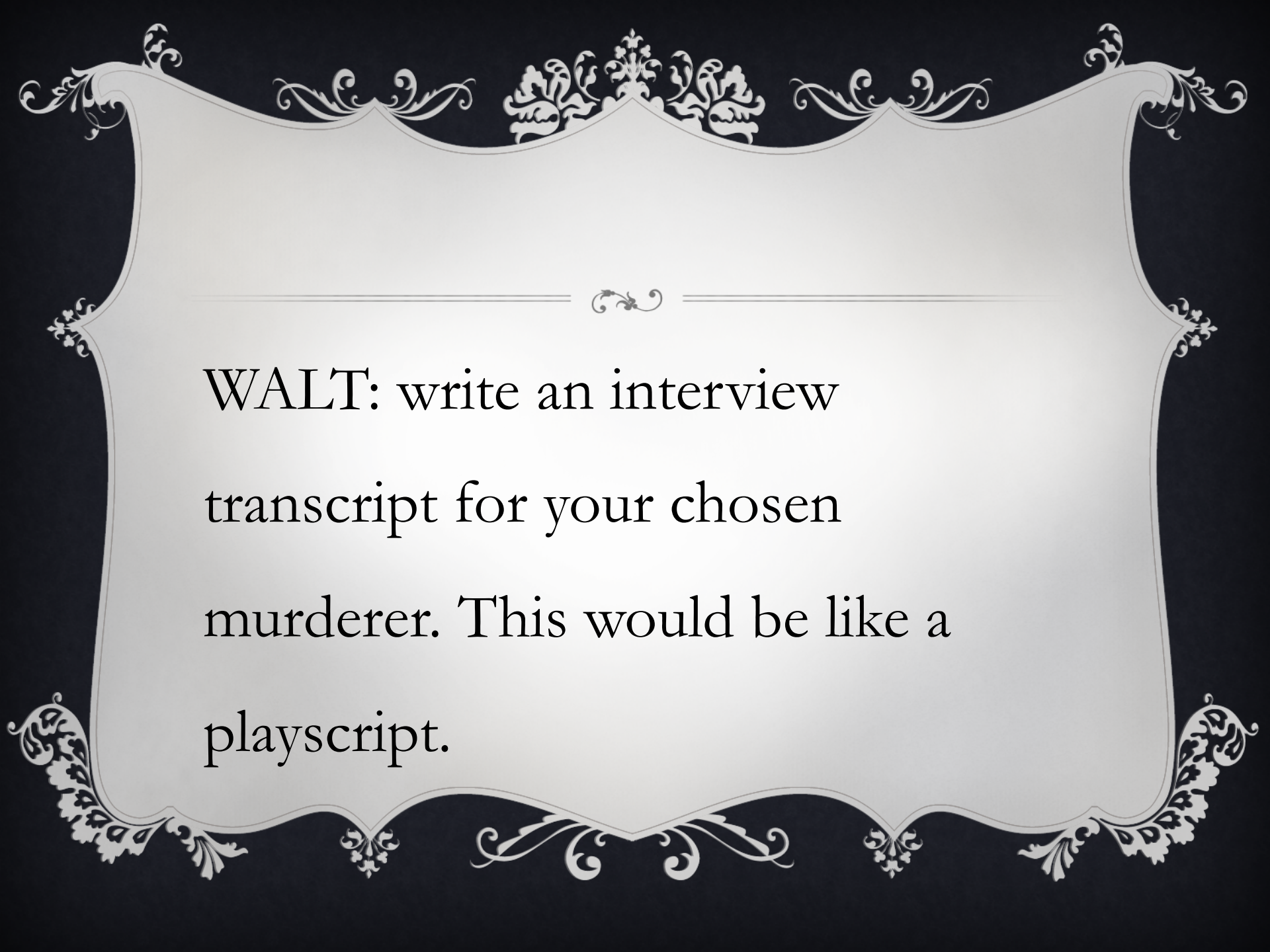


# Create Character Profiles

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- ❖ What do they do for a living?
- ❖ How did they know Branston Pickle?
- ❖ Did they like Branston Pickle?
- ❖ Do they have a criminal record?
- ❖ What sort of person are they?
- ❖ What family do they have if any?





WALT: write an interview  
transcript for your chosen  
murderer. This would be like a  
playscript.



# POLICE INTERVIEW TRANSCRIPT

- ❖ What is your full name?
- ❖ How did you know Branston Pickle?
- ❖ Did you like Branston Pickle?
- ❖ What is your relationship to the other guests?
- ❖ Did you leave the banquet hall during the evening?
- ❖ Where did you go?
- ❖ Did anyone see you?
- ❖ Did you see the murder weapon before the murder?
- ❖ Did you murder Lord Pickle?





‘It is all very sad.  
He’s been like a  
father figure to me.’



THURSDAY

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Look at the example report




# STRUCTURE

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- ❖ Introduction
- ❖ Main body
- ❖ Concluding comment





# PLAY THE 5 W GAME

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Write two different introductions using selections of the information.



# STRUCTURE OF A NEWSPAPER

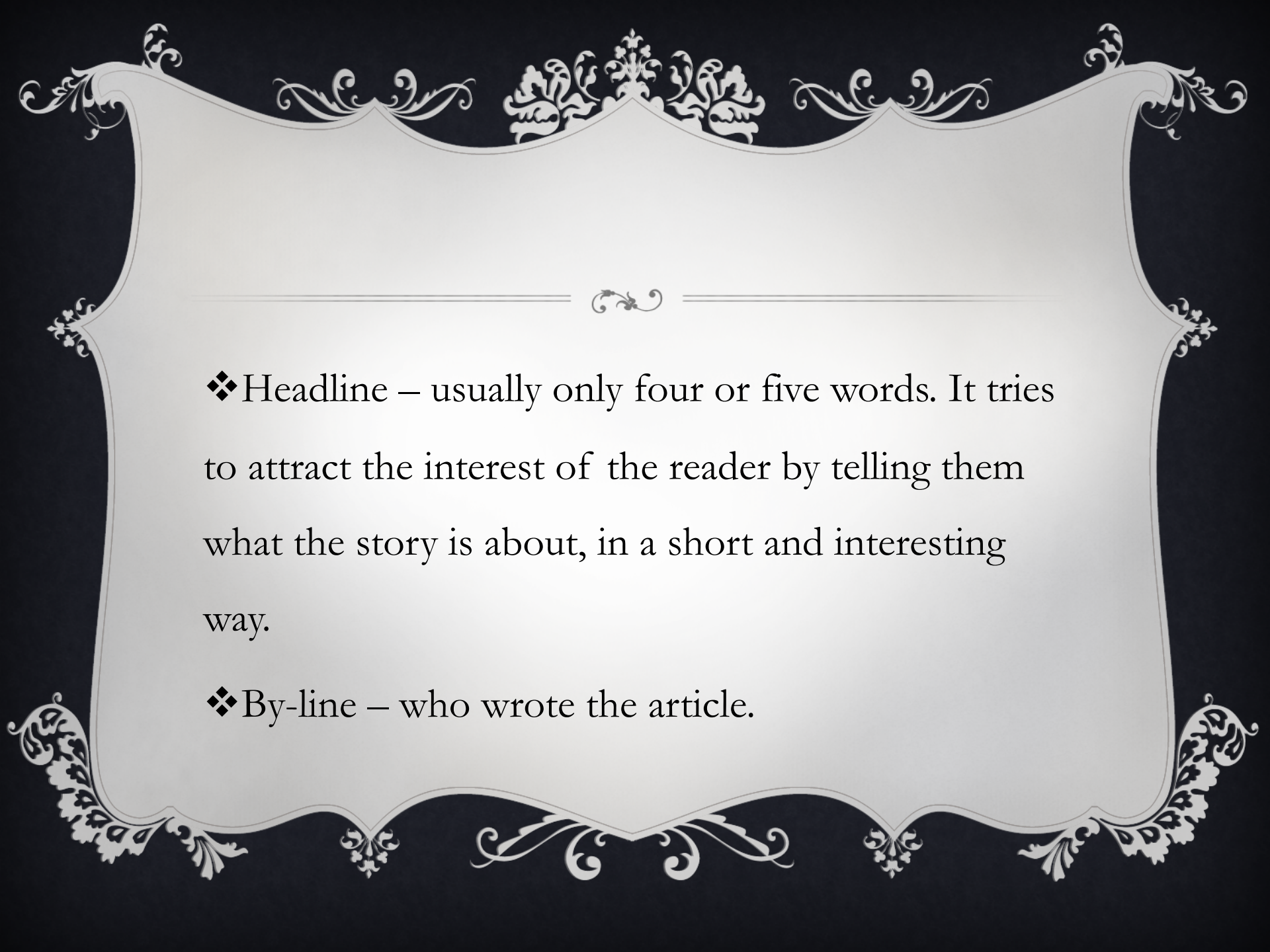
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- ❖ Who is the article about?
- ❖ What happened?
- ❖ When did it happen?
- ❖ Where did it happen?
- ❖ How was he killed?
- ❖ Why was he killed?



# NOW WRITE YOUR REPORT

- ❖ Remember the introduction gives only key snippets of information for the 5 w's
- ❖ The main body extends the information for each of those five w's. It provides all the details.
- ❖ There are direct and reported quotes from witnesses/arrested criminals
- ❖ There is an ending statement which states what is happening now/next



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❖ Headline – usually only four or five words. It tries to attract the interest of the reader by telling them what the story is about, in a short and interesting way.

❖ By-line – who wrote the article.





# SYNONYMS FOR SAID

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| ❖ Alleged   | ❖ Recounted |
| ❖ Announced | ❖ Added     |
| ❖ Whispered | ❖ Insisted  |
| ❖ Assumed   | ❖ Croaked   |
| ❖ Yelled    | ❖ Supposed  |
| ❖ Stated    | ❖ Claimed   |


❖ Chief Inspector Wiggin 


‘The motive is believed to be  
about a personal dispute.’





❖ Mr. Green, a guest at the banquet

, 'We all knew there was history  
between them, but who knew the  
Colonel had it in him, eh?'



❖ Miss Scarlett, [REDACTED], ‘It is all so  
sad. I was looking forward to  
the gammon.’