

What is the shape of our story?



Plot point 1-
Lost in the woods



Plot Point 2-
Finding the house



Plot Point 3-
Old lady description



Plot Point 4-
Tricking the old lady

What is the grammar and language of our newspaper report?	
Conjunctions	Words used to join parts of sentences. Co-ordinating conjunctions (<i>e.g. and, but, so</i>) join compound sentences (main clause + main clause). Subordinating conjunctions (<i>e.g. as, when, although</i>) join complex sentences (main clause + subordinate clause).
Adverbial phrase	A phrase that acts like an adverb. Time (<i>last Wednesday</i>), reason (<i>because of</i>), manner (<i>with a dazed expression</i>), place (<i>through the woods</i>).
Semi-colons	Can be used to join two independent clauses that are related (<i>The children approached the house; they knocked on the door</i>) or in a list of phrases (<i>They saw glistening, striped candy canes; giant, dark-chocolate buttons; strawberry laces, sticky and tempting</i>)
Inverted Commas	Used in direct speech. <i>Come in, come in," the old lady beckoned.</i>
Adjectives	Words used to describe nouns <i>fat, sticky buns; gleaming, black liquorice</i>
Complex Sentence	A sentence with a main clause (makes sense on its own) and a subordinate clause (additional information that doesn't make sense on its own). Often uses a subordinating conjunction. <i>As she leaned over the pot, Gretel shoved her as hard as she could.</i>
Superlative	An adjective expressing the highest or a very high degree of a quality. <i>bravest, quietest</i>
Comparative	An adjective comparing one quality to another. <i>braver, quieter</i>
Repetition	Repeating a word or phrase for effect. <i>They waited. They waited curiously. They waited curiously and silently.</i>
Similes	A figurative language technique comparing something to something else. <i>The tree branches were like the gnarled fingers of a wizened old man.</i>
Alliteration	Repeated consonant sounds on the beginning of words. <i>Perfect puddings, joyous gingerbread and aromatic apples.</i>