

GREEN LAKE INFORMER

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SCHOOL TEACHER IN.....?

☞ Your task is to write the Green Lake newspaper that would have come out after the terrible events at the school house.

☞ You will need to use the text to help you write the story.

☞ You will need to think about what you will and won't include. Don't forget the editor of the newspaper would want to sell the paper. The newspaper would reflect the people's attitude in the town at the time.

☞ You must also consider what you know about newspapers – layout: headings, titles, columns and the way you write a news story.

☞ Make up an appropriate name for the newspaper.

☞ Newspapers always have to be edited before publication—don't forget to check through all the ideas and story and/or get someone to read it through to double check!

FACTS:

☞ Hattie Parker, owner of the general store, sees Sam and Katherine kissing in the street. (111)

☞ The 'news' is passed on to the whole town (112)

☞ No children arrive at school the next morning—they have been kept away by their parents. (112)

☞ Trout Walker leads a group into the school house (112)

☞ They begin to destroy the school house and everything in it. (112/113)

☞ Katherine runs to the Sheriff. He does nothing but asks for a kiss (113)

☞ The Sheriff tells Katherine that Sam will be hanged for kissing a white woman (113/114)

☞ The school house is set on fire (114)

☞ Katherine runs to warn Sam (114)

☞ Sam has to leave Mary Lou and escape (114)

☞ Katherine and Sam get in the boat and row (114/115)

☞ Trout Walker, in his motorboat, smashes into them (115)

☞ Sam is shot and killed (115)

☞ Katherine is pulled from the lake but wants to drown (115)

☞ Mary Lou, the donkey, has been shot (115)

YOU WILL NEED TO DECIDE IF YOU ARE GOING TO INCLUDE WHAT HAPPENED THREE DAYS LATER:

☞ Three days later, Katherine shoots and kisses the Sheriff and leaves town.



☞ Stories do need pictures to support the text. You might show the burnt out school house—but don't do any drawing until you have finished the writing.

CHECKS..!

Don't forget to check your writing using a dictionary.

Is your work perfectly punctuated? **CHECK!**