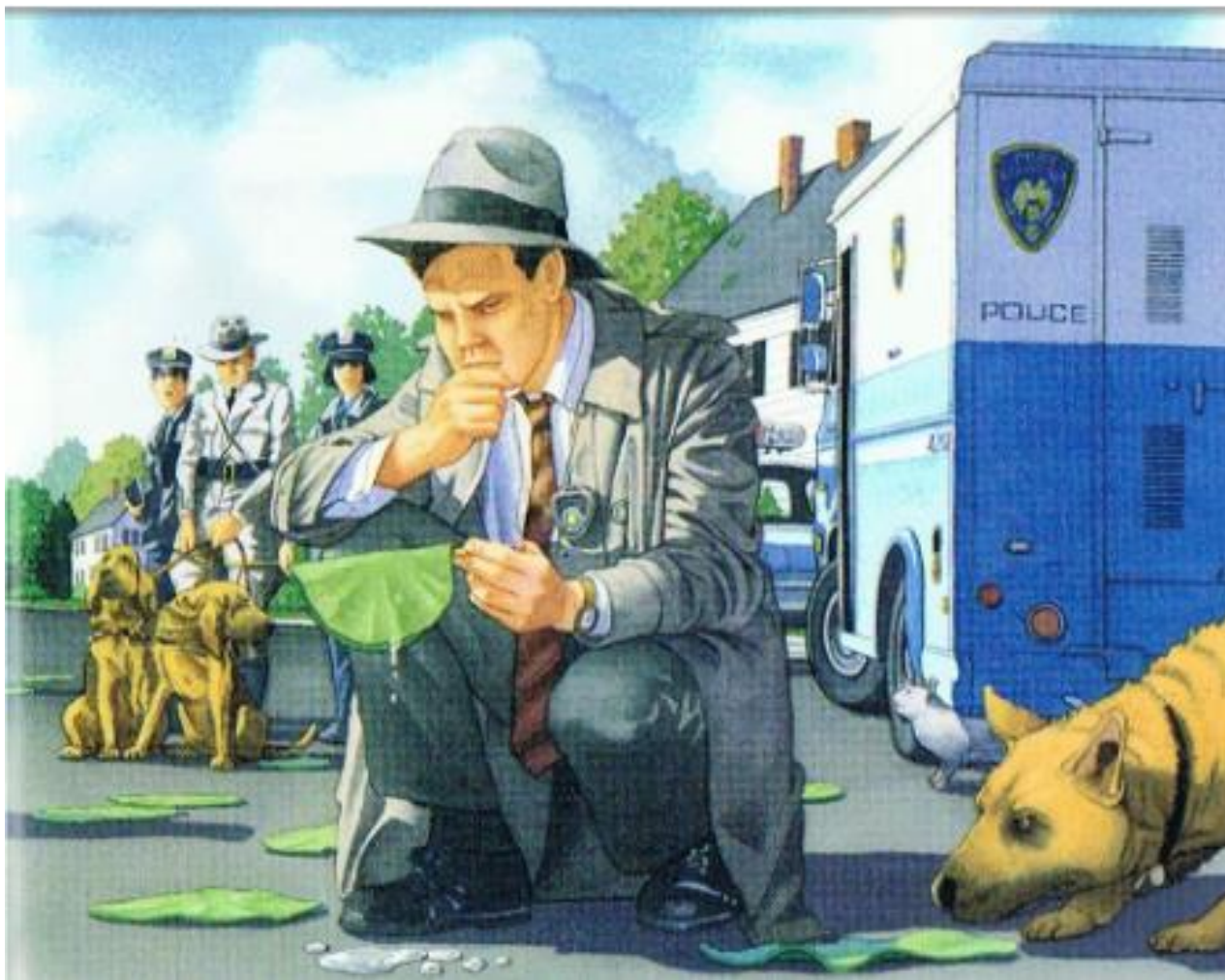


What do you remember about our
book from yesterday?



The detective in the story would have carried out an investigation and then written a police report. What do you think a police report is? What do you think it would include? What style of writing would be used?

Police Incident Report

Report filed byDetective Inspector Molly Hines.....
Date of incidentTuesday 2nd September

Reason for investigation

There have been reports made about unexplained disturbances in Harltown overnight on Tuesday 2nd September. Concerns were raised when, on the morning of Wednesday 3rd September, there were discovered deposits of sheep's wool at various locations around the town. It was thought at first that this was some sort of farmer's protest or practical jokes. However, the witness accounts below point towards a rather more mysterious event having taken place.

Interview with James Nilbar

James Nilbar, who is a keen amateur astronomer, was studying the stars at about 11pm on Tuesday night. He reports becoming aware of a shape blocking out the moon. He said that he noticed that the shape was coming closer to his home in Newberry Gardens. As it drew near, he was able to ascertain that it was shaped like a 'young lamb'. He said that by this stage he had realised there were many more of these flying objects in the vicinity. He reported upwards of twenty lambs that seemed to be exploring the neighbourhood whilst flying and he recalls watching them for about ten minutes. Strangely, after this, his memory is quite unclear.

Interview with Esther Smith

Esther Smith lives in Hardacre Drive on the northern side of the town. At 11pm on Tuesday evening Ms Smith recalls that she was lying in bed reading. As it was quite a warm night, her bedroom window was open. She says that she first saw a piece of sheep's wool, followed by three large sheep or lambs floating in through her wardrobe. She claims the sheep left a distressing mess on her best dress. More sheep flew in through the window soon afterwards; she estimates there were about twelve in all. Ms Smith says that she only remembers the beginning of their visit, but thinks they were there for several hours. When she awoke in the morning, there were piles of droppings in three places on her bedroom carpet. She showed this to police officers from Harltown station and our initial tests suggest that these droppings contain sheep DNA.

Conclusions

There are at least sixteen other eyewitness statements similar to the ones above, leading our investigators to believe that something strange certainly happened on the night of Tuesday 2nd September. Most of the witnesses interviewed seem reliable and they report very similar occurrences. This, together with the widespread discovery of wool and droppings in the area, suggests that further investigation should take place.

Recommendations

- Every adult in the affected area on the evening of Tuesday 2nd September should be interviewed.
- The whole area should be examined forensically for more evidence.
- Sheep experts should be consulted to see whether there is any precedent for the flying sheep.
- More detectives should be seconded to Harltown CID for at least the next month or until most of the unanswered questions have been resolved.

Signed

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Molly Hines', written in a cursive style.

Detective Inspector Molly Hines

The conclusion is where the detective give his opinion on what he thinks has happened.

Today you will have a go at writing your own police reports about the event in Tuesday as if you are the detective.

Let's have a quick think – what do we actually think happened?!

What should we include in our police reports?

The first paragraph answers questions who? what? where? when? and provides details of the evidence found at the scene under investigation.

The next paragraphs contain statements (reported speech) from witnesses interviewed.


The final paragraph contains detective's conclusions with reasons as well as recommendations as to what should happen next.

Your task:

Write your own police report for the events in Tuesday, using the headings in the example here to help you organise your work. There is a copy of the completed example on Google Classroom / the class webpage to help you with ideas too. Remember that your interview questions from yesterday will also help.

You can do this as an assignment on Google Classroom or handwrite it, take a photo and send it in an email.



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