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| Who, What, When, Where & How | The article includes all of the 5 W's +H (who, what, when, where, why and how). | The article includes 3-4 of the 5 W's +H (who, what, when, where why, and how). | The article addresses 2 of the 5 W's +H (who, what, when, where, why and how). | The article does not include the 5 W’s and/or is a summary of a story. |
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