

DU Learning Guide

News Online

"Who needs to buy a newspaper!"

What's it all about?

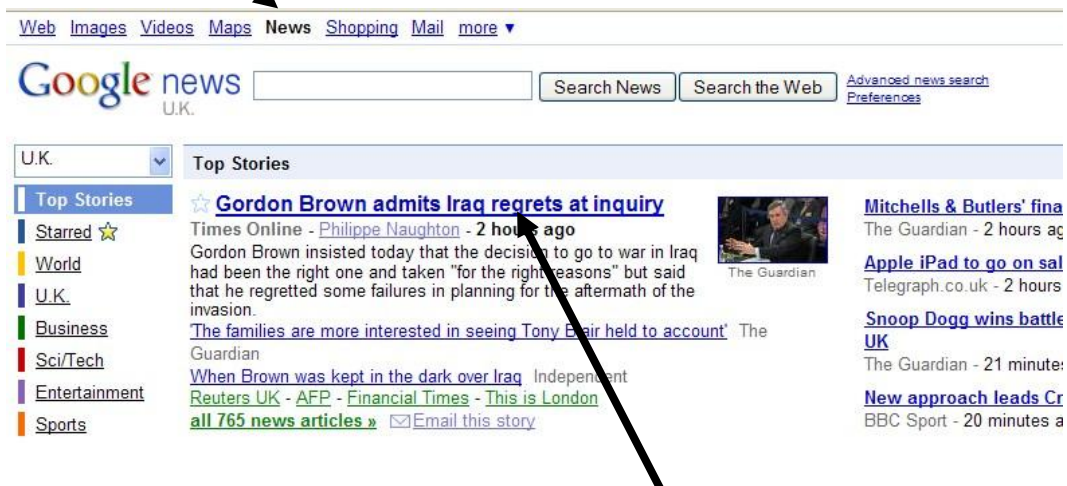
The Internet is ideal for keeping up to date with the news. You can check the latest news at any time, without waiting for the daily newspaper or the scheduled bulletins on TV and radio. You can get news from anywhere in the world, and you can look at several sources, so have a better chance of avoiding bias.

And the newsprint does not come off on your hands!

Try this

With so many sources of news available, it's hard to know where to begin. As so often in these cases, **Google** is a good place to start.

- Type www.google.co.uk into the address bar of your browser
- Press **Enter** to display the Google home page
- Click on **News** – just above the search box. A page with all the top stories will be displayed



The screenshot shows the Google News homepage for the U.K. At the top, there are navigation links for Web, Images, Videos, Maps, News, Shopping, Mail, and more. Below this is the Google News logo and a search box with buttons for 'Search News' and 'Search the Web'. A dropdown menu is open, showing 'Top Stories' and a list of categories: Starred, World, U.K., Business, Sci/Tech, Entertainment, and Sports. The main content area displays several news stories. The top story is 'Gordon Brown admits Iraq regrets at inquiry' from Times Online, dated 2 hours ago. Other stories include 'Mitchells & Butlers' fina' from The Guardian, 'Apple iPad to go on sal' from Telegraph.co.uk, 'Snoop Dogg wins battle UK' from The Guardian, and 'New approach leads Cr' from BBC Sport. A black arrow points from the text 'A page with all the top stories will be displayed' to the 'News' link in the navigation bar.

- To see a story in full, click on the underlined headline words
- Or select another version by clicking on other underlined words
- If you want to search for a story that is not displayed, type words that describe the topic into the Search Box and click Search.



The screenshot shows the Google News search page. The search box contains the text '2012 olympics' and the 'Search' button is highlighted. Below the search box, the 'News' section is visible, showing a story titled 'Freud to lead London 2012 Olympics PR push' from The Guardian, dated 4 hours ago. A black arrow points from the text 'type words that describe the topic into the Search Box' to the search box, and another black arrow points from 'click Search' to the 'Search' button.

For news from other countries, click the Drop-down arrow next to More Sections and click World. Or you can choose news from particular sectors e.g. Business or Entertainments etc.



More websites to explore

BBC News

news.bbc.co.uk

International, national and local news from the BBC.

Finance News

www.financenewsonline.co.uk

UK finance news.

ITN

<http://itn.co.uk>

International, national and local from ITN – lots of videos

Paperboy

www.thepaperboy.com

Find the websites of local newspapers, or those of other countries.

The Big Project

www.thebigproject.co.uk/news/

British and International newspapers, in English.

National newspapers

Daily Mail	www.dailymail.co.uk
Daily Telegraph	www.telegraph.co.uk
Guardian	www.guardian.co.uk
Independent	www.independent.co.uk
Mirror	www.mirror.co.uk
Sun	www.thesun.co.uk
Times	www.timesonline.co.uk