

Answer the questions using full sentences.	
1. _	In what month would this article have appeared in the newspaper?
2. _	Approximately how long after the flood was the article written?
3. _	Approximately how long after the flood did Mr Johnson say it was?
- 4.	Why did Mr Johnson blame the headteacher?
5. –	How did the parents feel after Mr Williams read out his statement?
- 6.	Write a short description of how you would be affected if a flood happened in your school.
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Notes for teachers

Help the children to read this passage and discuss how they know it is a newspaper article. Ensure that the children understand the sequence of events and the headline 'Soaked School Stalls Start'. When considering the last question you may wish to reassure the children that a flood is extremely unlikely. As an extension activity you could discuss the behaviour of the characters in this story: Did the parents behave well? Did the head teacher behave well? Did the writer of the article behave well i.e. was the writer being fair to the head teacher and the parents?