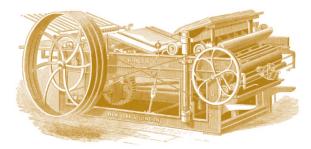


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# Making a Newspaper



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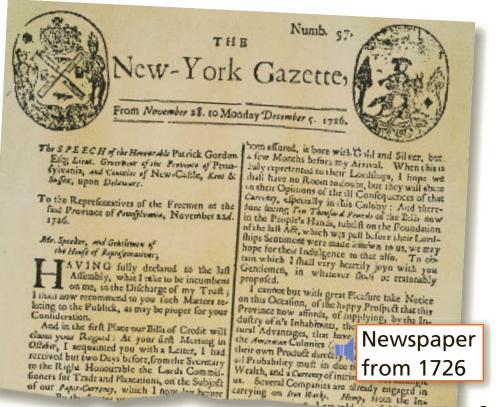
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- Printing a newspaper was hard work during the 1700s.
- Printers needed ink, paper, and metal letters called type. They needed a printing press, too.
- Printing a newspaper took a lot of time.
- A printer might work 14 hours a day.



 Newspapers had lots of text.
 Printers often copied stories from other newspapers.
 Sometimes printers wrote about their own beliefs.
 These writings were called essays.



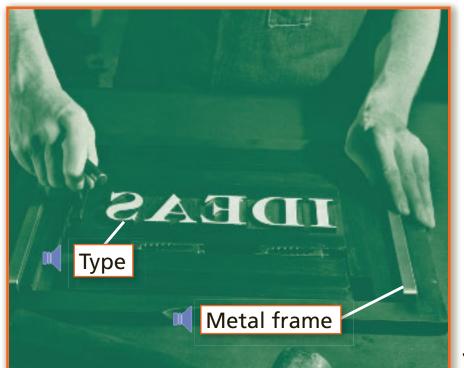
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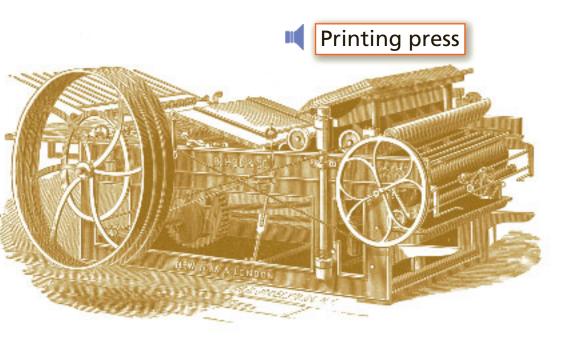
- Newspapers had very few cartoons.
   They did not have any photos because there were no cameras!
   But newspapers did have ads.
- Ads made large amounts of money because people paid to have the ads printed.



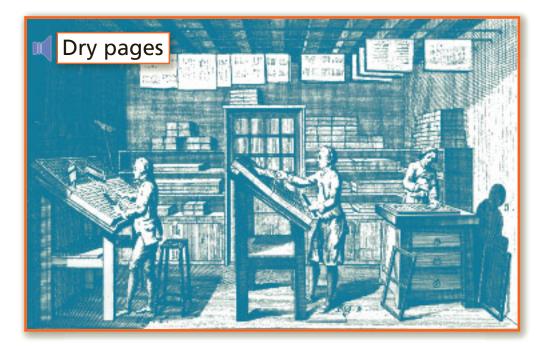
- The stories, essays, and ads had to be printed on paper. First, printers took metal letters from a box.
- They put the letters together
   to form words and lines of type.
   Printers locked the type
   into a metal frame.



 Next, printers spread ink over the type. Then they put paper across it.
 The printing press pressed the paper against the type. The result was a printed page of newspaper.



- Workers hung the printed page up to dry.
   Printers could print as many as 240 pages each hour!
- After printers finished printing a page, they took the type apart.
   Each letter went back to its place in the box.



#### Today's newspapers have lots of text.

## There are stories, essays, and ads. Today's newspapers have lots of color, too.

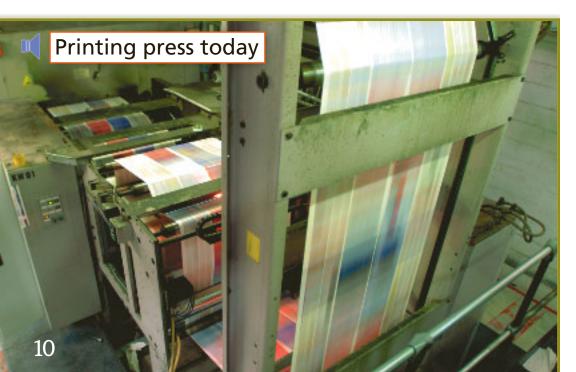
There are color photos, cartoons, and ads.

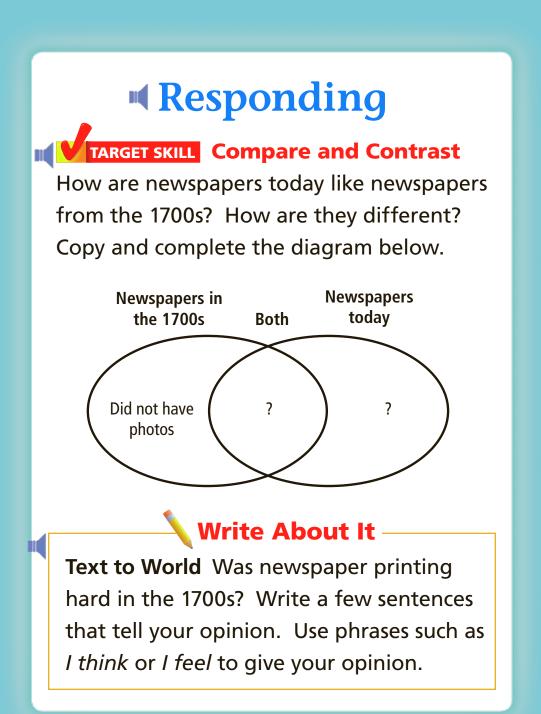


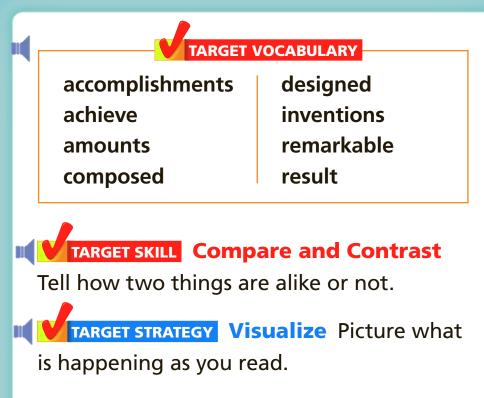
- Printers from the 1700s would be amazed by today's tools.
- These inventions make newspaper printing much quicker and easier.
  - Today, text is typed on computers because changes can be made quickly and easily.



- Today's printing presses print thousands of sheets of paper each hour!
- Today, many people even use computer technology to print newspapers.
- These accomplishments are amazing! What will people come up with next?







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