Lesson 16 How Important Is It?

When writing about an event, time order makes sense. If you are describing a place, spatial order makes sense. There is another method of organization that is useful if you are giving information. You can organize information by **order of importance**.

First, think about how a newspaper article gives information. Newspaper reporters know that their readers might not read the entire article, so they state the most important information first. In a newspaper article, the most important information has to do with who is involved, what it is, and where and when it is. Here is an example about a band meeting.

Band Meeting

The Drager Band Boosters will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, August 1. All parents of band members are invited to attend. The fall schedule and new uniforms will be the main topics of discussion.

Write an article for one of these headlines. Make up details for the news story. Remember to give the most important information first. Tell who is involved, what the issue or event is, and where and when it takes place.

New Soccer	Practice Schedule
Baby Panda	Born at Zoo

New Rollercoaster Opens Cougars Beat Warriors