

Writing a Biography: Aneurin Bevan



Task: write a biography about the life of Aneurin Bevan.

Job 1: Research the life of Aneurin Bevan. Make notes. Remember to use credible search engines and websites.

You can find an example here:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/historic_figures/bevan_aneurin.shtml

A good way to research is using Britannia in Hwb.

Job 2: Write a biography on the life on Aneurin Bevan. This could be on the computer or by hand.

Top tips for biography writing:




Make sure you find out/include:

- When and where they were born,
- Their family, parents, siblings, children etc,
- Their childhood,
- The major events in their life - getting married, divorced, hit records, playing for their country etc,
- How these events affected them,
- How are they remembered now,
- Any other important information you can find out about them.







Purpose:

To give an account of someone's life

Structure:

-  Opening statement introduces the subject, and explains why he/she is known
-  Significant events are ordered chronologically
-  Closing statement explains how this person will be remembered, and sometimes gives the writer's opinion

Language Features:

-  Refers to named individuals
 -  Contains dates linked to specific events
 -  Written in the past tense
 -  Can include direct and indirect speech and quotes from other sources
 -  Written in 3rd person
 -  Includes time connectives to link ideas
- Events are anecdotal in style (rather than lists of facts), and engage the reader