



Writing to discuss

# A Series of Unfortunate Events

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BOOK THE FIRST

*The Bad Beginning*

## English Knowledge Organiser Newspaper Reports to Discuss

In this unit, we will be writing to discuss who started the Baudelaire fire. We will do this in the form of a newspaper report.

## Book Synopsis

This series follows the tragic lives of the Baudelaire orphans Violet, Klaus and Sunny. After losing their parents in a terrible fire, the children are sent to live with their evil distant relative Count Olaf who they had previously never met. With one eye on their enormous fortune, Olaf plans endless schemes and plans to get his hands on the money.

Will the children be able to convince the authorities that he is not the right the man to look after them?



## Features of a Newspaper Report

Formal language - written in a voice that is appropriate for people you do not know

Dialogue - people that have been interviewed in regards to the news story

Reported speech - speech that is not included in inverted commas, does not have to be written verbatim

Tenses - written in past tense as the events have already taken place

