

Articles:

Here is a list of suggested articles for this task; however, the topics do not necessarily mirror the content of the MELs and baMELs. The criteria used to select these articles included readability level, the research behind the investigations and some of its findings (as opposed to an encyclopedic entry), and the articles being contemporary/engaging. Consider these criteria when seeking your own articles to use for this task.

Title: An ancient cold snap causes heated debate: The claim that a comet was responsible just won't die

Date: August 9, 2018

Article focus: Astronomy

Link: <https://www.sciencenewsforstudents.org/article/ancient-cold-snap-causes-heated-debate>

Readability: Grade 8 (<https://www.webpagefx.com/tools/read-able/>)

Title: Antarctica's melting speeds up: The continent has lost about 3 trillion metric tons of ice since 1992, raising global sea levels

Date: July 18, 2018

Article focus: Weather and Climate

Link: <https://www.sciencenewsforstudents.org/article/antarcticas-melting-speeds>

Readability: Grade 7 (<https://www.webpagefx.com/tools/read-able/>)

Title: Is Zealandia a continent? Landmass lies mostly beneath the Pacific Ocean

Date: March 13, 2017

Article focus: Geology

Link: <https://www.sciencenewsforstudents.org/article/zealandia-continent>

Readability: Grade 8 (<https://www.webpagefx.com/tools/read-able/>)

Title: What killed the dinosaurs? New rocky evidence has been emerging about the dinos' final days

Date: January 30, 2017

Article focus: Fossils with Animals, Earth Science

Link: <https://www.sciencenewsforstudents.org/article/dinosaurs-extinction-asteroid-eruptions-doom>

Readability: Grade 9 (<https://www.webpagefx.com/tools/read-able/>)

Title: Oxygen-rich air emerged super early, new data show: If correct, it occurred before the evolution of animal life

Date: August 21, 2016

Article focus: Earth Science with Chemistry, Evolution

Link: <https://www.sciencenewsforstudents.org/article/oxygen-rich-air-emerged-super-early-new-data-show>

Readability: Grade 7 (<https://www.webpagefx.com/tools/read-able/>)