

## CURRENT EVENT HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT FOR ENGLISH

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**Directions:** Students are to read a short article from any source (i.e., Magazine, Newspaper, or Internet) and document the following:

- Source (where the article came from and date article was written)
- Title of the Article
- 3 Facts from the Article
- Summary of the article (NO LESS THAN FIVE COMPLETE SENTENCES)

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### EXAMPLE Current Event Summary

*Science Daily* [found online on **September 8, 2011** at  
<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2011/09/110907163909.htm>

Space Science

09/08/11 "Space Instrument Observes New Characteristics of Solar Flares; Findings May Lead to Improved Space Weather Forecasting"

3 Facts:

- Energy from some solar flares is stronger and lasts longer than previously thought.
- Solar flares are intense bursts of radiation coming from the release of magnetic energy associated with sunspots
- Flares are our solar system's largest explosive events

New research has found that solar flares have more energy than originally thought. The energy from these flares can reach earth's atmosphere and affect operations of navigation and satellite operations. The new data that is being recorded will allow scientist to better forecast solar events and measure their distance and what happens when they are released..