Chemistry in the news - presentation task



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Prepare a five-minute presentation on a chemistry-based news story from the past few weeks that interests you.

1. Find a news story

Not sure where to start? Try these websites:

New Scientist newscientist.com

BBC science & environment bbc.co.uk/news/science_and_environment

Science Daily chemistry news sciencedaily.com/news/matter_energy/chemistry

Education in Chemistry eic.rsc.org

Chemistry World chemistryworld.com

2. Prepare your presentation

• Aim to spend one minute presenting each slide.

- Try not to put too much text on each slide images and key words are more effective.
- Write a short script to accompany each slide.
- Try to follow the suggested format below:

Slide 1: Introduce your story	Provide a headline for your news story and a relevant image. Explain briefly what the story is about.
Slide 2: Explain the science	What is the main scientific idea behind the story? Try to explain it briefly. Does it link to anything you have studied in class?
Slide 3: Why does it matter?	Explain why the story is interesting to you and why it is relevant to society. Will there be any short-term or long-term consequences for the environment, peoples' health or the economy? Or is it interesting for another reason?
Slide 4: Summary and conclusion	Finish with a brief summary of the key points from your presentation (but try not to repeat everything again!).
Slide 5: References	List the websites and any other resources you used to research your presentation.

3. Remember to ask your teacher to check your presentation

Good luck!