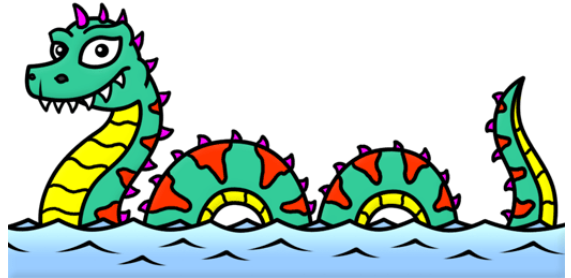


Formal and informal

Decide which paragraph is formal and which is informal. Underline the clues.

Monster Spotted in Thames

A 6m sea monster was spotted swimming past Big Ben. Rescue efforts involved beaching the monster at low tide and re-floating it with the help of pontoons. The sea monster is believed to have been separated from its family and may have travelled up the Thames as a result of confused sonar signals. Bystanders quickly lined the banks of the Thames and the incident quickly became a worldwide news story. Mary Bridges, 52, from London spotted the monster. She said, "You don't get many monsters in London! It was a real shock."



Massive monster stuck in Thames

You won't guess what happened the other day, mate. This humungous sea monster went past Big Ben. What these rescue blokes did was to try and fish it out with the help of these blow up balloon things. Some people reckon that it got split up from its family & got mixed up. Pretty soon there were loads of people looking at it and before you know it, it was all over the news. Worldwide! This woman Mary Bridges, who was about 50, said she saw it and she was like, "You don't get many monsters in London! It was a real shock." How crazy is that?

Now write your own paragraph for a report. Choose your own creature and write about how and where it was spotted. Use formal language.
