HEADLINING PROGRESS

Learning Objectives: The students will…

1. Match dates, newspaper headlines, and opening paragraphs of advancements in technology, medicine, and transportation in modern history.
2. Summarize the significance of key events in modern history.

TEKS: US 27B, US 28A, US 28B

Materials needed: One set of Headlining Progress Cards (date, headline, and the lead) cut apart for each group.

Teaching Strategy:

1. Print copies of the Headlining Progress Cards and cut them apart. Place each set of cards in a small plastic bag to keep them together.
2. Divide students into groups of three or four and give each group a set of cards. Explain that there are three types of cards—dates of key events, *New York Times* newspaper headlines of key events, and the opening sentences or the lead of key events from the *New York Times.* Have them sort the cards into three piles—the dates, the headlines, and the leads. After sorting, they should create a trio with the date card, the correct headline, and lead.
3. After the teacher checks that each group has matched the cards correctly, explain to the students that they should create categories for trios of cards that have similar characteristics. Examples of categories might be—medical advancements (Polio vaccine, heart transplant, DNA, and cloning); aviation advancements (Wright brothers, Lindbergh's flight, and man on the moon); and exploration advancements (North Pole, South Pole, and Mount Everest).
4. Once the categories are complete, have the groups put the events in chronological order under the category. For each category, the students should then summarize in one or two sentences the importance of these events in the progress toward a better quality of life. Additionally, they can create new headlines that emphasize the significance of the events on the future.
5. Debrief the activity with the following questions:
    a. Which three events do you feel had the greatest impact on American life and why?
    b. At which event do you wish you had been present? Explain the reasons for your choice.
    c. What future advancements do you see coming in medicine, aviation, and exploration of the unknown?

Extension for GT/AP:
Using the blank template, have the students create sets of the three cards illustrating additional advancements in technology, medicine, and transportation.

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HEADLINE NEWS

Wednesday, April 13, 1955

HEADLINE NEWS

"Salk Polio Vaccine Proves Success; Millions Will Be Immunized Soon; City Schools Begin Shots April 25"

HEADLINE NEWS

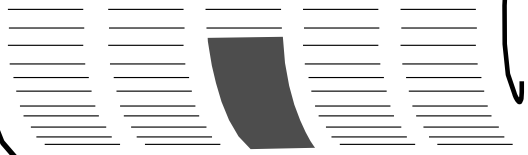
Ann Arbor, Mich.—The world learned today that its hopes for finding an effective weapon against paralytic polio has been realized.
The triple anti-polio vaccine originated by Dr. Jonas E. Salk works. This was revealed in the long-awaited report on the mass field trials of 1954, largest of their kind in medical history.

HEADLINE NEWS

Monday, December 4, 1967

HEADLINE NEWS

"Heart Transplant Keeps Man Alive in South Africa"



HEADLINE NEWS

Capetown, South Africa—The world's first successful human heart transplant was announced today.
In a five hour-operation that began at 1 A.M., surgeons at the Groote Schuur Hospital removed the heart of a young woman who died after an automobile crash and placed it in the chest of a 55-year-old man dying because his own heart was damaged, the announcement said.

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HEADLINE NEWS

Sunday, February 23, 1997

HEADLINE NEWS

"Scientist Reports First Cloning Ever of Adult Mammal"

HEADLINE NEWS

Britain—In a feat that may be the one bit of genetic engineering that has been anticipated and dreaded more than any other, researchers in Britain are reporting that they have cloned an adult mammal for the first time.

HEADLINE NEWS

Tuesday, June 27, 2000

HEADLINE NEWS

"Genetic Code of Human Life is Cracked By Scientists"

HEADLINE NEWS

Washington—In an achievement that represents a pinnacle of human self-knowledge, two rival groups of scientists said today that they had deciphered the hereditary script, the set of instructions that defines the human organism.

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HEADLINE NEWS

Tuesday, September 7, 1909

HEADLINE NEWS

"Peary Discovers the North Pole After Eight Trials in 23 Years

Notifies *The New York Times* That He Reached It on April 6, 1909"

HEADLINE NEWS

Indian Harbor, Labrador—Commander Robert E, Peary, U.S.N, has discovered the north pole. Following the report of Dr. F.A. Cook that he had reached the top of the world comes the certain announcement from Mr. Peary, the hero of eight polar expeditions, covering a period of twenty-three years, that at last his ambition has been realized, and from all over the worlded comes full acknowledgment of Peary's feat and congratulations on his success.

HEADLINE NEWS

Friday, March 8, 1912

HEADLINE NEWS

"Amundsen Reaches the South Pole; Stays four Days, December 14 to 17; Party All Well He Tells the *Times*"

HEADLINE NEWS

London—Analyzing the somewhat brief cable to hand, announcing Capt. Amundsen's attainment of the south pole, one from previous experience would assume that the journey was done with extreme rapidity and under very favorable conditions regarding the weather. Capt. Amundsen has attained the geographic south pole, the long-sought-for spot, and that finishes record breaking as far as the ends of the earth are concerned.

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HEADLINE NEWS

Tuesday, June 2, 1953

HEADLINE NEWS

"2 of British Team Conquer Everest"

HEADLINE NEWS

Katmandu, Nepal—The British expedition has conquered Mount Everest, a radio message flashed from Namche Bazar to the British Embassy here today. The message said Edmond Hillary, a New Zealand beekeeper and mountaineer, and Tensing Norkay, the famous Sherpa guide, had reached the hitherto unscaled summit from Camp Eight last Friday.

HEADLINE NEWS

Thursday, September 10, 1908

HEADLINE NEWS

"Wright Flies Over an Hour"

HEADLINE NEWS

Washington—In three successive flights in his aeroplane today, Orville Wright broke three world's records and wrested from France for America the laurels of the air. In his first flight…he drove his machine…for 57 minutes and 31 seconds, beating the previous record…by 25 minutes 46 seconds.

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HEADLINE NEWS

Sunday, May 22, 1927

HEADLINE NEWS

"Lindbergh Does It! To Paris in 331/2 Hours; flies 1000 Miles Through Snow and Sleet; Cheering French Carry Him Off Field"

HEADLINE NEWS

Paris—Captain Lindbergh was discovered at the American Embassy at 2:30 o'clock this morning. Attired in a pair of Ambassador Herrick's pajamas, he sat on the edge of a bed and talked of his flight.

HEADLINE NEWS

Monday, July 21, 1969

HEADLINE NEWS

"Men Walk on Moon Astronauts Land on Plain; Collect Rocks, Plant Flag"

HEADLINE NEWS

Houston—Men have landed and walked on the moon. Two Americans, astronauts of Apollo 11, steered their fragile four-legged lunar module safely and smoothly to the historic landing yesterday at 4:17:40 P.M. Eastern daylight time.

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