

Newspaper headlines 1

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1 The words in the box are commonly used in newspaper headlines. Why do you think these words are often short and dramatic?

Complete the headlines with the words.

haul swoop blow havoc cops fury raid axe
orgy cons dumps bid row ban probe

1
NEIGHBOURS'
[] **OVER HEDGE**
ENDS IN COURT

2
BA to [] 5,000 jobs in
[] to break even

3
OAPs' [] at
measly 1.5%
rise in pensions

4
£50 MILLION
HUBBY PUTS
BANK []
ON MISSUS

5
SWORD MANIAC
SHOT BY []

6
NEW []
INTO MURDERS
REVEALS
FRESH CLUES

7
WIFE []
HUSBAND IN
SEX []

8
Police [] on
crack factory -
huge drug []

9
PC shot in
bank [] **dies**

10
New inflation
figures deal []
to recovery hopes

11
BOGUS VICAR
[] **WIDOW OF**
LIFE SAVINGS

12
AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL
STRIKE THREAT SPELLS
[] **FOR HOLS**