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FRANKIE and FRIENDS BREAKING NEWS

- On page 1, Frankie's mom explains that she has to leave to do her job reporting BREAKING NEWS. What are some examples of breaking news in your own community?
- Raven says that she knows Mama has to leave because "everyone needs to know the news" (page 4). Why is it important for everyone to know the news and for the news to be accurate?
- In addition to BREAKING NEWS, there are lots of other journalism terms used throughout the book, including JOURNALISM, HARD NEWS, OPINION, DEVELOPING STORY, BEAT, FACT, INTERVIEW, CLOSED-ENDED QUESTION, OPEN-ENDED QUESTION, TAGLINE, and GO LIVE. As you read, define each of these terms using context clues, then compare your definitions to the definitions in the back of the book. Were your definitions correct? What did you learn after reading the definitions?

