News Story Analysis Worksheet

www.heraldsun.com.au/technology/a-us-intelligence-agency-has-labelled-china-the-most-active-and-persistent-perpetrators-of-cyber-espionage/story-fn7celvh-1226185455932

Directions: Using the news story provided, analyse the content to learn more about the topic as well as the process of writing an informational news story. Be as specific as possible with all of your answers, referring back to the news story in your answers when appropriate.
1. What was the headline for the story? US intelligence agency labels China ‘most active and persistent perpetrators’ of cyber espionage.
2. Discuss the effectiveness of the headline in summarizing the story and getting the reader’s attention. Yes, gives a summarizing on what the article will be about.
3. Briefly describe the factual content of the story related to the lead: 5 W’s and the H.
• Who: US government, China and Russian Governments.
• What: Stealing and damaging US economic secrets
• When: Between 2009-2011
• Where: Cyberspace
• Why: To obtain new tech ect..
• How: Through hacking and getting into American companies and databases
4. How did the end of the story summarize the main ideas and provide closure for the reader? China denies and will probably continue doing what it does.
5. Facts in a news story are supposed to be arranged from most to least important. Do you believe the author did this effectively? Why? Then no, some the quotes lower down seem to have more involvement on the matter.
6. Writing style is important in keeping those reading and listening to the story engaged. Comment on the use of the following throughout this story:
• active voice – There are a lot of quoting from people within this story
7. Discuss the accuracy of the facts used in the story. How do you know that the sources used were reliable and accurate? Provide specific examples. Quotes, usually are reliable and accurate.
8. In what way did the use of quotations….
• add to the credibility of the story? Sure did
• make the story more interesting? A-little yup
10. present differing points of view about the topic? Not to much

12. What do you think of this article? Not much.