

## Ospreys in the News

*Like an Osprey catching a fish you have to plan your approach to catch your fish- sorry reader!*

### STEP 1 – Research

*(Look around like the Osprey searching the reservoir for a fish)*

The first step is to find a story about the Rutland Ospreys.

The five W's will help you to cover the important parts of any story involving ospreys and or people!

**Who   Where   What   Why   When**

Make some summary notes of your key facts

### STEP 2 – The Story

*(You have to choose the target- like the Osprey sees the Fish)*

Consider what you are writing your piece for. Newspaper, Magazine (typical reader?) Website .

This will help you to decide what to include in your story and in which order.

### STEP 3 – Structure

*(The Osprey hovers and adjusts its flight until it is directly over the fish)*

You need an introduction which grabs the reader. Any story should give information in an interesting way, and be readable. All stories should also have a good finish and suggest where the reader can get more information! Short sections often work best, and you can include sub headings for each section if it helps.

### STEP 4 – Draft

*(The dive- the Osprey plunges towards its target )*

Put your story together and read it. Give it to someone else to see what they think – have you missed something out. Remember you will know MORE than the reader about the story!

### STEP 5 – The Result

*(Talons grasp and the Osprey rises from the water – did it catch a fish?)*

Rework the draft until you have the story complete. Check the word count (Maximum 300 words)

The final part is a Headline and the image

**Happy fishing – see if you can catch the reader!**