

The **ABC** Report

Report on a topic in 26 phrases or sentences from A-Z.

Example: Nellie Bly: An ABC Report

A girl child named Elizabeth Jane Cochran was
B orn in Pennsylvania in 1864.
C alamity hit the family when her father
D ied, leaving the family
E ssentially without money.
F ortunately Elizabeth could look after her siblings.
G oing on 18, she wrote a letter to a newspaper
H arrassing a writer for his comments about women.
I mpressed by the letter, the editor gave her a
J ob. She got a lot of
K idding and the name Nellie Bly from other reporters.
L acking other means to get news, she
M anaged to get committed to an insane asylum
O n Blackwell Island.
P retending to be insane, she
Q uietly wrote about the abuses
R esulting in changes for the better.
S ailing in 1889, Nellie began her
T rip around the world which she made in
U nder 80 days.
V ictory over Jules Verne's hero was hers!
W orld War One saw Nellie sending
eXtrordinary war stories from Europe.
Y et, her reporting was always noted for its
Z eal, accuracy, and timeliness.

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