**Free form text boxes**

Rather than a rectangular box, you can draw any shape and

embed text in it. These specially shaped boxes can be used

like any other text box.

**Linked text boxes**

When you connect text boxes in Publisher, text that won't fit into the first text box flows into the next text box. A chain of connected text boxes, also known as a story, can span multiple pages.

**Connect text boxes**

1. Click **Home** > **Draw Text Box**, and drag the cross shaped cursor to draw a box where you want text.
2. Click in the text box you want as the first text box in the story.
3. On the Text Box Tools **Format** tab, in the **Linking** group, click **Create Link**. The mouse pointer changes to a pitcher .
4. Click in the text box you want as the next in the story. This text box is now connected to the first box and any text in the overflow now appears in the next box.
5. To connect more text boxes to the story, repeat steps 3 and 4.