

Topic

Conversation for Intermediates



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A person is seen from the back, wearing glasses and reading a newspaper. The entire image is covered with a semi-transparent yellow filter. Overlaid on this is the text 'Describe the picture.' in a large, white, sans-serif font. In the background, some text from the newspaper is visible through the filter, including '«I comunisti codardi che legge...', 'non alle leggi italiane', 'Rinzi Calen...', 'visale t...', and 'mpagne'.

Today's Topic

News

News is newly received information about recent or important events.



TARGET LANGUAGE

In this lesson, we will learn **about news**:

- learn words/expressions/phrases related to the topic;
- make sentences related to the topic;
- answer questions and share ideas related to the topic.

Key words:

paparazzi
newscaster
headlines
media

| Key Sentences

Read and share your opinions.

1. As soon as the actor got off the stage, he was followed by several members of the **paparazzi**.

Q1. What is the work of a paparazzi?

Q2. If you were an actor, would you always entertain a paparazzi?



I Key Sentences

Read and share your opinions.

2. I saw a very famous **newscaster** in the shopping mall.

Q1. What skill do you need to become a professional newscaster?

Q2. If we could just read newspapers, why do we still need newscasters?



Key Sentences

Read and share your opinions.

3. The news of his death was splashed across the **headlines** in all the newspapers.

Q1. What news do you usually see in the headlines?

Q2. Why is it necessary for newspapers to have eye-catching headlines?



| Key Sentences

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4. The issue has been much discussed in the **media**.

Q1. What is the importance of media in today's world?

Q2. How would the world be if we never had the media?



Vocabulary

Sum up and make sentences with the words.



paparazzi

photographers who follow famous people in order to take photographs



newscaster

someone who reports the news on radio or television



headlines

the heading or caption of a newspaper article



media

all the organizations, such as television and newspapers, that provide news and information for the public

Vocabulary Check

Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

paparazzi

newscaster

headlines

media

1. A famous singer punched the _____ for following him everywhere.
2. The _____ was fired for saying something offensive live on TV.
3. Sometimes, the _____ give reports with wrong information.
4. When my brother won a gold medal in the Olympics, his name was written in the _____.

Review

Fill in the blanks with the given letter.

A long time ago, news traveled slowly and may never even reach everyone who lived within the city. But now, thanks to technology, the **m**_____ **1** can instantly share news to everyone all over the country, even to the world. News has helped improve our lives in many ways. We have various kinds of articles like bank robberies or a **p**_____ **2** chasing a celebrity. The most important news is usually found on the **h**_____ **3**. If you have the confidence and great communication skills, try becoming a **n**_____ **4**. Their job pays very well.

Free Talk

Match the news articles to the correct news types.

Hard News

News about crime stories, political stories, education news, etc.

Sports News

News about the sports world.

Feature News

Stories about people or organizations.

1. "Man wins a million dollars."
2. "Lakers won against Nuggets with a score of 117-107."
3. "Amazon has reached 1,000,000 employees this year."
4. "Man arrested for stealing from tourists."
5. "Naomi Osaka doubles her training time for her upcoming match."

Feature News

Free Talk

Read and share your opinions.

How has news helped us in our daily lives?



Weather reports help us prepare for incoming extreme weather.

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- _____
- _____
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