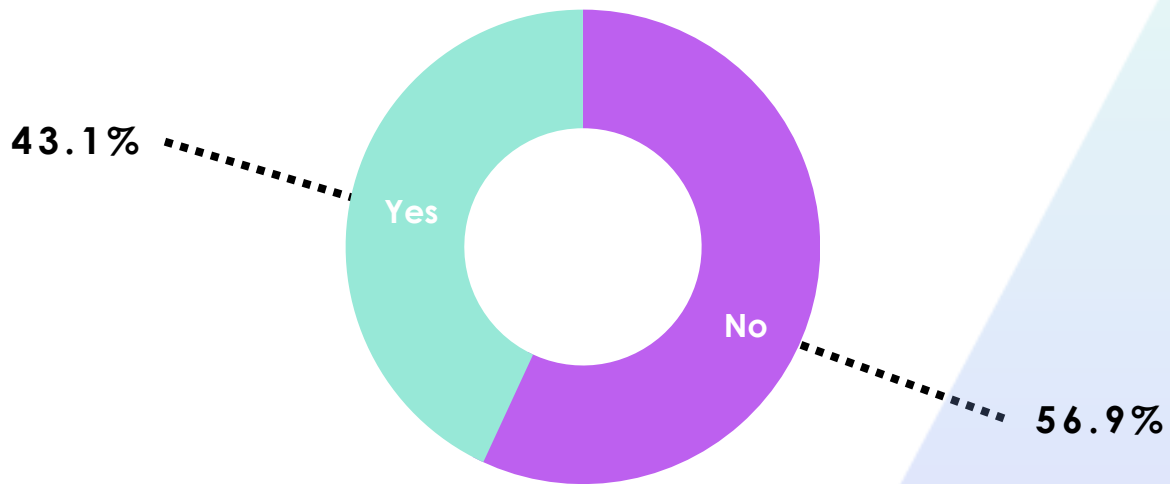


## YOUR LATEST RESULTS

Should opinions be shared as part of news reporting?



*This VoteTopic received 48,458 total votes.*

## THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTIONS

**Is it easy to have conversations about conflict in Israel & Palestine?**

- Is it important to talk about big issues even if they are complicated?
- Is there any kind of news that you don't think children should learn about?
- What questions do you have about Israel and Palestine?

## WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

- "There is a tendency to try to shield children from bad news, because we think it might upset them... But something like this, that is so big, is impossible to avoid." - Nicky Cox MBE, Editor-in-Chief of First News
- "If difficult questions are in the heads of our young people, it's our job to give them a balanced and reassuring – but also an honest – account." - Emma Citron, Psychologist

## A CLOSER LOOK: DISINFORMATION



DIS INFORMATION

You have probably heard of “misinformation” before, but what is “disinformation”? We call information that has been written or said in a way that is deliberately untrue “disinformation”. It can make people suspicious or worried about an issue.

Disinformation can appear in lots of different ways online. For example, sometimes people might make a fake news article that looks like it is from a well-known newspaper or magazine. Or, sometimes a photo or video might be used next to a headline that changes how someone might see a person, an event or a situation.

It is important that you double check if any facts, stories, videos, or pictures that you see are true. This can be done by looking at trustworthy news websites or channels.

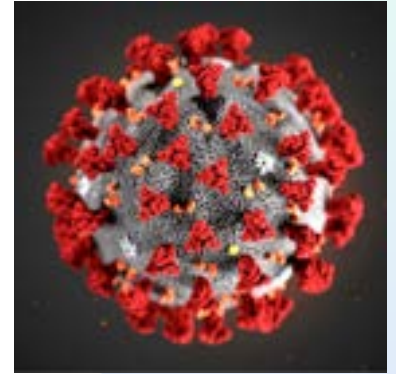
### YOUR COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

- Explain the meaning of the word “deliberately”.
- How can disinformation make people feel?
- Explain one way that disinformation can appear online.
- What should you do if you are not sure if something is true?

## THIS WEEK'S OTHER NEWS STORIES

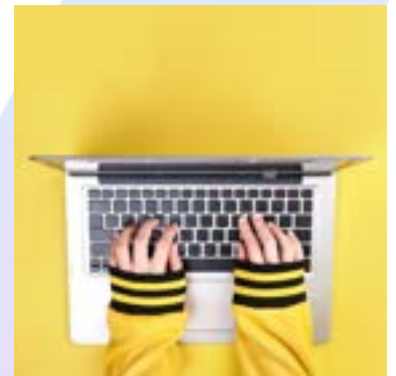
### **COVID-19 inquiry continues**

The investigation into how the UK Government dealt with the Coronavirus pandemic has been taking place. So far, the view is that the general public experienced “widespread failure”, but good work took place in some areas.



### **Online Safety Act becomes law**

The Online Safety Act has now become law in the UK. The Government say that the Act will better protect people from harmful content, but others have said it does not go far enough in tackling big issues like misinformation.



### **Research reveals carer crisis**

New research by the Carers Trust has shown that as many as one million children in the UK are acting as carers for a loved one. With some as young as five, they are being called “the hidden health service”.



### **Poppies go plastic-free**

For the first time ever, poppies sold by the Royal British Legion for their Poppy Appeal will be made entirely of recyclable paper. The old designs will be sold until all the stock is gone, and these can be recycled at Sainsbury's.



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