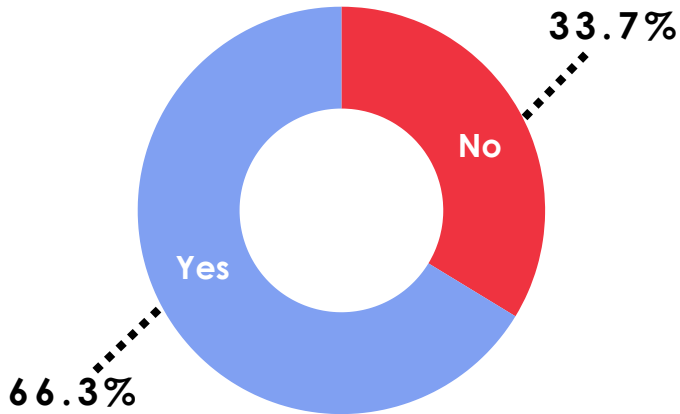
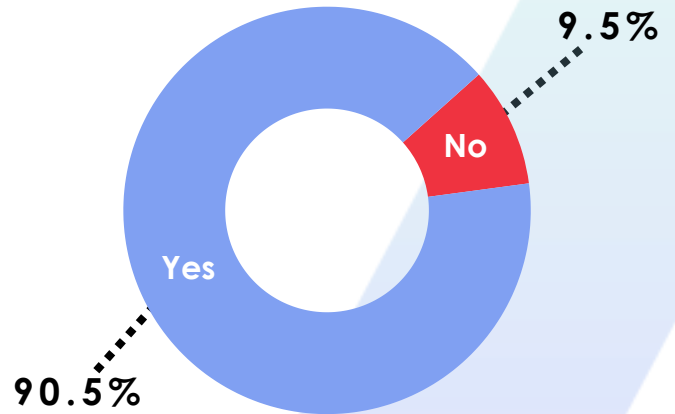


YOUR LATEST RESULTS

5-7: Is it easy to be a visitor?



7-11: Should tourists be more respectful when they travel?



This VoteTopic received 42,991 total votes.

THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTIONS

5-7: Do you respect other people's accents?

7-11: Should accent be a protected characteristic?

- Can you think of any words and phrases that are from your local area?
- How many different accents do you hear in your daily life?
- Should there be a greater variety of accents on television?

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

- *"It is disgraceful that people are mocked, criticised or singled out for their accents throughout their education, work and social lives."* - Sir Peter Lampl, founder of The Sutton Trust.
- *"Accent-based discrimination actively disadvantages certain groups at key events like job interviews."* - Professor Devyani Sharma, Queen Mary University London.

A CLOSER LOOK: SAVING A DIALECT



Many areas of the UK have their own language, for example Wales, Northern Ireland and Cornwall. Yorkshire (which has nearly as many residents as Scotland) also has its own dialect. While accent is mainly about how words are pronounced, dialect involves vocabulary and grammar. However, the Yorkshire dialect is dying out, which means that fewer people speak it and eventually it will stop being used. One man is on a mission to stop this.

Rod Dimbleby, a former German teacher, is trying to save the county's language by holding weekly lessons to teach people how to speak the dialect. He teaches his students the meaning of phrases such as "baht'at" (without a hat), "you daft 'apeth" (you fool) and "mither" (to bother or annoy). His Talk Tyke Course covers speaking, listening, reading and writing skills.

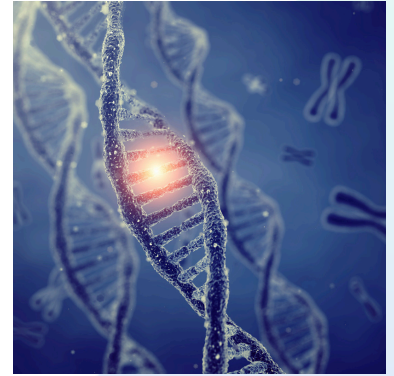
YOUR GUIDED READING QUESTIONS

- Which areas of the UK have their own language?
- How is a dialect different from an accent?
- What is happening to the Yorkshire dialect?
- Which subject did Rod Dimbleby teach?
- What does "baht'at" mean?

THIS WEEK'S OTHER NEWS STORIES

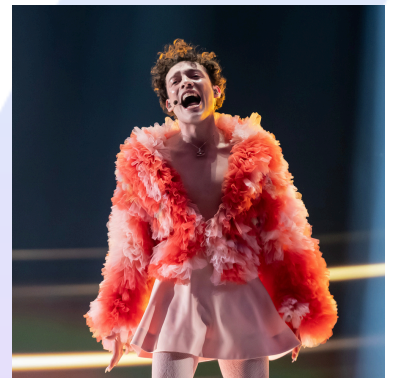
Major hearing breakthrough

Opal Sandy, who is 18 months old, can now hear thanks to gene therapy she received when she was a baby. She was born deaf, and this is the first time that someone has been able to hear unaided thanks to this treatment.



Nemo breaks The Code

Nemo, a 24-year old musician from Switzerland, won the latest Eurovision Song Contest with their song, The Code. They were awarded a huge 591 points, while Olly Alexander, the UK's entry, came 18th out of 25.



A new chapter

For the first time in six years, a children's author has been named Author of the Year at the British Book Awards. Katherine Rundell picked up the big prize, as well as the award for Children's Fiction Book of the Year!



Sewage pumped into beauty spot

Millions of litres of raw sewage were illegally pumped into Windermere in the Lake District for 10 hours due to a fault in the telecoms system. They did not report the incident to the Environment Agency for 13 hours.



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