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**Presenter:** You're listening to Newsreel. I'm Christine Demstader. Coming up in today's programme;

- Scotland votes no to independence from the UK
- Scientists say the hole in the ozone layer is set to shrink
- And the Swedish makers of Minecraft sell their company to Microsoft

**to vote**  
*att rösta*  
**independence**  
*här: självständighet*  
**to shrink**  
*att krympa*

#### • **Staying in the UK**

**Presenter:** The people of Scotland have voted no to becoming independent from the United Kingdom.

A referendum was held on September 18. Scots were asked to vote yes or no to the following question:

Should Scotland be an independent country?

Listen to the results on BBC Scotland.

**BBC reporter:** Scotland has voted no to independence, the people of Scotland have rejected independence.

**Presenter:** For the first time in Scotland, 16 and 17 year olds were able to vote in a referendum.

Scotland has been part of the United Kingdom since 1707. This is the first time a referendum has taken place on complete independence from the UK.

**referendum**  
*folkomröstning*

**to reject**  
*att avslå*



### • Good news for the environment

**Presenter:** The ozone layer has stopped growing - that's according to scientists from the United Nations.

The ozone layer protects the earth from the sun. It is a screen that absorbs dangerous solar rays.

In the 1980s, scientists discovered a big hole in the ozone layer. It was being caused by man-made gases found in fridges and aerosols.

There was a big environmental and health scare around the world. Scientists warned that more people were likely to get skin cancer in the future. So these gases, known as CFCs were banned in 1987.

The results of that ban are now beginning to show.

Experts predict that in ten years the hole in the ozone layer will start shrinking and all of the damage could be reversed by 2050.

**screen**

*skärm*

**solar rays**

*solstrålar*

**man-made**

*här: orsakad av*

*människor*

**fridges**

*kylskåp*

**scare**

*här: rädsla*

**banned**

*förbjuden*

**to predict**

*att förutsäga*

**the damage could be**

**reversed by 2050**

*skadan kan komma att*

*vara reparerad/återställd*

*år 2050*

### • Minecraft fans split over sale

**Presenter:** US software giant Microsoft has bought Mojang, the Swedish video game company that makes Minecraft, for 2.5 billion dollars.

Minecraft was first released in 2009. It is an open-world game where players can build almost anything and it has sold over 54 million copies around the world.

Mojang is a small company with just 40 people working at its Stockholm office.

The company made a statement on its website. It said: "Change is scary, and this is a big change for all of us. It's going to be good though. Everything is going to be OK."

The news has split fans and players of the video game. Some people think it was wrong to sell to a huge company.

Others think Microsoft will invest money to expand the game and make it even bigger and better.

**billion**

*miljard*

**released**

*släppt, utgiven*

**statement**

*här: uttalande*

**to split**

*att splittra, dela*



• **The man who can lick his elbow**

**Presenter:** And finally, meet the 24-year-old who now holds the world record for having the longest tongue.

Nick Stoeberl is from California and his tongue is an amazing 10.1 cm long. He beat the previous record of 9.8 cm. Listen to what he says in an interview on the Guinness World Records website.

**Nick Stoeberl:** "Every time I'm introduced to someone new, if it's by my friend, they are like 'hey, this is Nick Stoeberl, he has the longest tongue in the world and he is in the Guinness book of World Records'. So upon meeting someone immediately I just have to stick my tongue out at them."

**Presenter:** One of the best things about having a long tongue, he says, is being able to lick his elbow and that's harder than you may think.

Nick and his tongue both feature in the new Guinness book of World Records for 2015.

Presenter: That's all from Newsreel for now. You can take our online quiz to see what you have learned. Go to the Newsreel pages on our website [ur.se](http://ur.se) or why not check out our Facebook page – it's UR Engelska. Until next time, I'm Christine Demstader, thanks for listening.

**previous**  
*föregående*

**introduced**  
*presenterad*

**immediately**  
*omedelbart*

**elbow**  
*armbåge*  
**to feature in**  
*att visas/prenteras i*