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Welcome to Newsreel, I'm Layla May, your presenter from London. Today's headlines:

- Mass shooting in Las Vegas
- Gender Neutral Clothing
- The Kneeling of the NFL Players

- **First up, mass shooting in Las Vegas**

At least 59 people were killed and over 500 others hurt on Sunday night in the deadliest shooting in US modern history. During an outdoor country music festival in Las Vegas, a lone gunman opened fire on the crowd. The police have identified the shooter as Stephen Paddock, a 64-year old man from Nevada. He was later found dead in his hotel room. The police believe that he committed suicide. Why the massacre happened is still uncertain to authorities. No connection to international terrorist groups has been found.

- **Up next, Gender Neutral Clothing**

John Lewis recently introduced a gender neutral clothing line. It's also the first major UK retailer to ditch 'boys' and 'girls' labels in children's clothing. So, I went to speak to people to find out what they think about it.

*Paul: My names Paul Jackson, I'm Deputy Headteacher at Northeast Surrey Short Stay School*

*Paul: I do agree with gender neutral clothing, however it doesn't matter to me whether there was or whether there was not gender neutral clothing.*

*Layla: Why is that?*

*Paul: Because, if you wanted to wear a dress and your a boy, you could anyway. It doesn't need to be labelled, 'gender neutral'*

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*Layla: So there has been some talk of the retailer taking 'political correctness' too far, do you agree with that?*

*Paul: Yeah, I think they want to probably sell more product and in the eyes of the consumer I think they would see it as a good idea and a gimmick*

I also spoke to Maddy, who is 16, about the unisex clothing line.

*Layla: Would you have liked the opportunity to buy unisex clothing when you were young?*

*Maddy: No because when I was little I was really girly and liked girly clothes, so I wouldn't want to be wearing the same thing as a boy, I wanted girl's stuff.*

- **And finally, The Kneeling of the NFL Players**

In the USA, American football is very popular. The league is called National Football League, or NFL. Recently, several NFL players kneeled during the national anthem at football games. The players were kneeling in protest against racial inequality and police brutality.

During a meeting in Alabama however, Trump criticised the league for not punishing the players.

*Donald Trump: That's a total disrespect of our heritage, that's a total disrespect of everything we stand for. Okay? Everything that we stand for...*

LeBron James, an NFL player, has told CNN it's not right that Trump has urged the NFL owners to fire its players.

*LeBron James: You look at him asking the owners to get rid of players of the field, because they are exercising their rights. And that's not right.*

This issue has divided the country. Millions of tweets since the event used the hashtag TakeTheKnee to highlight the subject. Many have supported the players and their right for freedom of speech. Others, however, have condemned the players for disrespecting the flag and the country.

That's all for today, we'll be back again on the 21st of October.  
I'm Layla May, thanks for listening!

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