

## Questions – Newsreel 18

1 Approximately how many people were on board the Costa Concordia cruise ship when it sank?

- A 2,200
- B 3,200
- C 4,200

2 Homosexuality is illegal in Uganda.

- True
- False

3 Explain what Jamie Oliver has been campaigning for since 2005.

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4 Who banned the website twitter.com?

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The Olympic Opening Ceremony, London 2012. Photo: Duncan Rawlinson/Flickr

**5** The Olympic flame has travelled from ..... to the UK in preparation for this year's London Olympics.

- A America
- B Greece
- C China

**6** In which city and in which year did the first Paralympic Summer Games take place?

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**7** Magazines in Spain and a newspaper in Portugal have published topless photos of UK royal Catherine Middleton.

- True
- False

**8** A ..... of ..... was declared on the East Coast of America as Super storm Sandy hit the US.



Barack Obama, four more years as US President. Photo: Matt Ortega/Flickr

9 In his victory speech, Barack Obama says he wants to thank....?

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10 Malala Yousafzai comes from which country?

- A Pakistan
- B India
- C Iraq

11 Gangnam Style won which award at this year's MTV Europe Music Awards?

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### Translation time

1 It is thought that the ship hit a rock, which caused the tragedy.

2 The royals say it is an invasion of privacy and will sue the magazines.

### Grammar grill

1 School meals should be healthier, says TV chef Jamie Oliver:  
Adjective = healthy. Comparative = healthier. Superlative = healthiest.

What is the comparative and superlatives of the following?

- a). big
- b.) cheap
- c). good (careful – this one's irregular!)

2 “Footballer David Beckham was part of the team that *brought* the flame to the UK.” The verb to bring is an irregular verb –fill in the following sentences correctly.

- a). Every year, Lucia ..... light to the darkness.
- b.) I haven't ..... much food today.
- c). Mary is ..... Jack to the party.

**10-minute discussion**

Young people eat too much junk food today.

**The big debate**

Social media can be dangerous for society and its citizens.

**And now for something fun...**

- You're writing a news report about your 2012 – what are the headlines.

- Write your best story of the year (the best thing that happened to you) in the style of a news report.

## **Answers**

**1** C – 4,200 (3,200 passengers and 1,000 crewmembers)

**2** true

**3** Since 2005, Jamie Oliver has been campaigning to improve nutrition and make school meals healthier

**4** The Pakistan government

**5** B - Greece

**6** In Rome in 1960

**7** false

**8** state...emergency

**9** every American who participated in the election

**10** Pakistan

**11** best video

## **Translation time**

**1** Man tror att fartyget körde mot ett skär, vilket orsakade tragedin.

**2** Hovet säger att det är ett intrång i privatlivet och kommer att stämna tidningarna.

## **Grammar grill**

**1**

a). big - bigger - biggest

b.) cheap – cheaper - cheapest

c). good – better - best

**2**

a). Every year, Lucia brings light to the darkness.

b.) I haven't brought much food today.

c). Mary is bringing Jack to the party.

