

NEWSREEL



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Vocabulary

Black Friday or Buy Nothing Day

profitable	lönsam
craze	mani
resistance movement	motståndsrörelse
to bother <i>it bothers him</i>	att störa <i>det stör honom</i>
integral	väsentlig
bonanza	överflöd

Josh Cavallo

publicly	offentligt
brave	modig
prejudice	fördomsfullhet
offensive	kränkande
harmless	ofarligt, harmlöst

Whilst Listening: Questions

Black Friday or Buy Nothing Day

1. When did the American tradition of Black Friday start?

2. What has happened with Black Friday in the last decade?
 - a. Americans are buying less things.
 - b. The tradition has spread to other countries.
 - c. Business' figures went profitable.
 - d. It's the 26th November.
3. What has happened to the sales figures on Black Friday?
 - a. They keep increasing.
 - b. They are crazy.
 - c. They are slowing down.
 - d. They haven't yet been beaten.
4. What are the downsides of Black Friday, according to filmmaker Andrew Morgan?

Josh Cavallo

5. What did Josh Cavallo share on his social media?

6. How was the response to Josh Cavallo's news?

7. What are Zac's thoughts about Josh Cavallo's news?

8. What experience does Django have about this topic?

After Listening: Discuss!

In the second news story, we learnt that the football player Josh Cavallo has come out as gay.

- Why is it a big deal to be an elite sportsperson and be gay?
- What kind of stereotypes are there?
- Do you think young people are more or less accepting of homosexuality? Why? Why not?
- What do you think about anti-gay jokes?
- Should we take anti-gay jokes seriously?
- Are anti-gay jokes just harmless banter (retsamt skämt)?

Discuss with a classmate!

After Listening: Debate!

In the first news story, we learnt about the American phenomenon of Black Friday, where people buy lots of things. The resistance movement to Black Friday is “Buy Nothing Day”. Which side do you support? What are the positives and negatives? Buying new things, or buying nothing?

Pick a side and debate the topic:

We should keep Black Friday
in Sweden

OR

We should start Buy Nothing
Day in Sweden

These words and phrases may help you

I think (that)	On the one hand
I believe (that)	On the other hand, ...
I reckon	In my opinion, ...
If you ask me	As far as I know
I agree	In the news story, we heard...
I disagree	It seems to me that...

After Listening: Write!

In the second news story, we learnt that the football player Josh Cavallo has come out as gay. He has received lots of support from fans.

You have been asked to write a short blog post for an online magazine about homosexuality, homophobia and schools. These questions will help you write your text:

Do you have experience of anti-gay jokes? Do you think this is something that we should take more seriously? What is your experience of anti-gay jokes in schools? What should schools do about this problem?

Answers

1. 1980s / 80s
2. b.
3. a.
4. It's bad for the environment
5. He came out as gay
6. Positive/supportive
7. No negative responses/he is brave
8. He hears jokes about it / he doesn't think it's that offensive.