

# NEWSREEL EASY



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### Arbetsblad

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### Vocabulary

#### **Ethnic Minorities in UK Children's Books**

minority ethnic characters	karaktärer med annan (icke-brittisk) etnisk bakgrund
to reveal	att avslöja
is shrinking	krymper
gateway	inkörsport
unpicking	nermontering

#### **Josh Cavallo**

to come out	att komma ut (som homosexuell)
immense	enormt
publicly	offentligt
stereotype	stereotyp, given norm för hur en ska vara
to admire	att beundra
issue	problem
banter	skämtsamt retande

#### **Ariana Grande**

to announce	att meddela
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## Whilst Listening: Questions

### Ethnic Minorities in UK Children's Books

1. True or false?  
There are more children's books with minority ethnic characters in them today in the UK.
  2. What does Farrah Serroukh think about this?
    - a. She thinks it is harmless
    - b. She thinks we need to get better at being together
    - c. She thinks all books are great
    - d. She isn't sure.
  3. What did Junior learn about books that his mum read?
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### Josh Cavallo

4. What did Josh Cavallo share on his Twitter?
  5. Why did Josh share this news?
    - a. It is too personal.
    - b. He likes to share private news.
    - c. He is a footballer.
    - d. He's proud of being who he is
  6. How was the response to Josh's news?
    - a. There are not many people like him.
    - b. People don't really care.
    - c. Lots of people are supporting him.
    - d. Lots of people read the news.
  7. What does Django think about Josh Cavallo's news?
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8. What does Django admire about Josh Cavallo?
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9. What does Zac say about this topic?

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**Ariana Grande**

10. What is the news from Ariana Grande?

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## 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 than their parents?
- Why? Why not?
- What do you think about anti-gay jokes?
- Should we take anti-gay jokes more seriously?

Discuss with a classmate!

## After Listening: Debate!

In the second news story, we learnt that the football player Josh Cavallo has come out as gay. We also heard from Zac. Zac said that he hears anti-gay jokes. What do you think about that?

Some people argue that anti-gay jokes are just harmless, friendly banter (retsamma skämt). But what are the negatives?

Pick a side and debate the topic with a classmate:

Anti-gay jokes are okay,  
they are just friendly banter.

**OR**

Anti-gay jokes are not okay,  
they hurt people's feelings

## 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 first news story, we learnt that more and more children's books are including characters with ethnic backgrounds.

You have been asked to write a short blog post for a young person's online magazine about this topic.

Why do you think it is important to include people with different backgrounds in children's books? How can children's book publishers improve this?

## Answers

1. True
2. B.
3. There were no/few black people in them
4. He came out as gay
5. d.
6. c.
7. He thinks its brilliant
8. He is going against stereotypes
9. There are jokes about it in his team, but they all remain friends.
10. She is starring in the film/movie Land of Oz.