

NEWSREEL WORLD



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Vocabulary

<i>The following words are specific to the context of the programme. Make sure that you are familiar with them before listening.</i>		
Word	Description	Synonym
petition	a formal written request made to an authority or organized body (such as a court)	
governance	the act or process of <u>governing</u> or overseeing the control and direction of something	
overwhelming	to <u>overpower</u> in thought or feeling	
coincide	to occupy the same place in space or time	
manufacture	something made from raw materials by hand or by machinery	make, produce, fashion
fundraise	to engage in the organized activity of raising funds to support a cause, campaign, etc.	
ethos	the distinguishing character, sentiment, moral nature, or guiding beliefs of a person, group, or institution	morals, principles, standards
embodying	to make concrete and perceptible	
<i>The following words are general in nature. Take note of these to expand your general vocabulary of the English language.</i>		
runner-up	a person or team that finishes second in a race or competition	
null and void	having no force, binding power, or validity	nullified, of no effect
revitalising	to give new life or vigor to	revive, renew
source	a place, person or thing that you get something from	
significant	having meaning	meaningful
evolutionary	a process of change in a certain direction	
repertoire	a list or supply of capabilities	

Source: <https://www.merriam-webster.com>

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Content questions

Kenya: the presidential election

1. Who was the runner up in the election and why is he questioning the result?
2. After the election, there was some debate over the country's youth. What was it about?
3. In the segment, two Nairobi youths are interviewed. What is their take on the debate over the country's youth? Are they in agreement?

Tom Holland takes a break from social media

4. Why is Tom Holland taking a break from social media?
5. According to reports from all over the world, what risk do you run in overusing social media?

Memorable celebration from a non-winning team

6. Why was the semi-final win secured by the "Sunshine Girls" extra special?

South African DJ sets a trend

7. Circle whether the statement is TRUE or FALSE

a. Amapiano is a style of rap music	TRUE/FALSE
b. Amapiano originates from Kenya	TRUE/FALSE
c. Amapiano means "the pianos" in Zulu	TRUE/FALSE
d. Lewis Hamilton used Musa's hit in a video he posted on Instagram	TRUE/FALSE

New Zealand: Culture becomes business

8. What are poi and what do they look like?
9. Who is Georgia Latu and what is her role in the company Pötiki Poi?
10. What are the three main ethos of Pötiki Poi?
11. According to Dr Karyn Paringatai, poi has had many uses in the past. It was even used as a love charm. How?
12. What does Pötiki Poi have to do with the Women's Rugby World Cup?

Language points

Complete the following idiomatic expressions

13. In every election I ... my vote.
 - a. throw
 - b. make
 - c. cast

14. The debate over why the country's youth seem not to want to go out and vote looks set to ... for some time.
 - a. run
 - b. go
 - c. stay

15. Reading comments about him online can send him into a downward ...
 - a. spin
 - b. swirl
 - c. spiral

16. It hit the ... recently when Formula 1 superstar Lewis Hamilton used Musa's hit.
 - a. headlines
 - b. news
 - c. media

17. Everyone will be able to use their poi, which I think is a huge ... for us.
 - a. event
 - b. milestone
 - c. landmark

Discussion points

The impact of social media:

In today's Newsreel World, one segment was about Tom Holland taking a break from social media. The actor posted a video on Instagram telling fans how reading comments about himself can make him feel depressed. Reports around the world have revealed connections between overuse of social media and mental health issues in young people.

- Do you use any social media? Why? What do you use the social media for? If you don't use any social media, why not?
- How would you rate different types of social media? Are there any social media more important to you than others? As an example, how would you rate TikTok, Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter? Which one(s) do you prefer and why?
- Do you have any rules about social media? Do you accept friend requests from anyone? Do you have any rules about what you post on social media? If you don't have any social media, do you think there should be any rules for it?
- Do you see any general problems associated with social media besides the one discussed in today's program? For instance, the time spent on social media versus the time spent meeting face to face? Do you see any upsides to using social media? Try to give examples.
- For those of you who use social media, could you imagine taking a break from social media? Why or why not?

Ethos or guiding morals/beliefs:

The CEO of Pōtiki Poi, Georgia Latu, spoke to us today about the three main ethos of the company. The three ethos are the backbone of the company, guiding their beliefs in how the company operates both within the company walls and when dealing with the outside world.

- How many companies do you know that have ethos? Look up companies online to see if they have ethos or not, make a list and share them with the class. Which one is the best and why? Why do you suppose companies have ethos/ethe?
- Are there companies that should have ethos/ethe but don't? Write a letter to them suggesting their future ethos and why you think they should have them. You decide whether you want to send your letter to the company or just share it with your class/teacher.
- If you had to choose personal ethe, moral guidelines, that are just for you, what would they be and why? Try to pick three ethe and explain your choice.

Teachers' note

Questions for working with the photo on page 1:

- In the photo we see Georgia Latu, the CEO of Pōtiki Poi, smiling. Why is she smiling? Did she hear something?
- Picture what is happening outside the photo. What is she seeing?
- Imagine this is a commercial shoot for Pōtiki Poi with Georgia Latu delivering an awesome speech about her product. What would she say?

KEY

1. Raila Odinga. He is questioning the results as four out of seven electoral commissioners have raised concerns about how the votes were counted.
2. The debate was over the lack of voters among the youth.
3. They are not in agreement. One of the youths says he did not vote because it is pointless as the system is corrupt. The other youth voted as he feels it is his duty to do so.
4. Tom Holland is taking a break from social media for the sake of his mental health.
5. If you are young, and you overuse social media, you run the risk of having poor mental health.
6. The win was extra special because it coincided with the 60th anniversary of Jamaica's independence..
7.
 - a. FALSE
 - b. FALSE
 - c. TRUE
 - d. TRUE
8. Poi are props used in traditional dance performances by Māori women in New Zealand. They are round balls on the end of a rope with tassels on the other end.
9. Georgia Latu is the 15-year-old CEO of Pōtiki Poi. Her role is to be in charge of media, to be a spokesperson for the company and to make sure the company follows the three ethos.
10. The three ethos are revitalizing the Māori taonga [property], working with people of diverse abilities and eco-friendliness.
11. A prayer was said over a poi and then it was given by a boy to a girl of interest. If the girl played with or used the poi that would mean she was interested also. If she was not interested, the poi would be tossed to the side and disregarded.
12. The Women's Rugby World Cup bought poi from Pōtiki Poi to give to every person who buys a ticket to go watch the games.
13. c. cast
14. a. run
15. c. spiral
16. a. headlines
17. b. milestone