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Hi, and welcome to Newsreel Easy. I'm Carrie Morrison. Coming up:

- Bed bugs in the UK

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But first...

Storm Babet

Six people died and thousands of homes in the UK have been flooded by a big rainstorm.

This storm, called Babet, had as much rain in three days as they usually get in two months.

And weather experts say we can expect more storms like Babet in the future - because of climate change.

Bed bugs in the UK

Now, have you ever had bedbugs in your home?

Bedbugs are tiny insects that hide in beds and furniture.

Recently there have been news stories about a big bedbug problem in Paris in France. Now, people in the UK are worried...

I've been speaking about this to Natalie Bungay from the British Pest Control Association.

Carrie: So, Natalie, first question. What exactly are bedbugs?

Natalie: *In simple terms, they're an insect. They've got six legs. They feed from our blood. That's their main - or only - food source. And they're – they're pretty tough to get rid of as well.*

Natalie says that bedbugs are insects that eat our blood, and they are difficult to remove.

Carrie: And you said that they- they feed on our blood. What other problems do they cause?

Natalie: *The bites will be similar to mosquitoes. But actually, the biggest effect of bedbugs is the psychological effect of having them living in your personal space.*

Natalie says the worst problem is that people are stressed when they have bedbugs in their house.

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Pest Control Association
Skadedjursförening

In simple terms
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Carrie: And how do you get rid of them?

Natalie: *Professional pest controllers is really the only way to deal with bedbugs. And then once we've located them, it might be a pesticide, so an insecticide, which is a chemical we use obviously to kill insects. The key is please don't try and deal with a bedbug issue yourself because you could just spread the problem and make it worse.*

Natalie advises that if you have bed bugs, ask a professional to help you get rid of them.

I've also been speaking about this to young people in London. First, I spoke to Alex.

Carrie: Have you ever had bed bugs?

Alex: *I'd only ever heard of bed bugs in like films and things. I've never really come across them in real life.*

I also spoke with Dillon.

Carrie: Dillon, had you ever experienced bed bugs?

Dillon: *So, I wasn't aware of bedbugs actually being real. Your parents would say, 'good night, don't let the bedbugs bite'. But I never knew they were a real thing.*

Dillon thought that his parents made up bed bugs in order to get their children to sleep.

Carrie: Would you know how to deal with bed bugs if you had them?

Alex: *I would honestly have no idea what to do. I think I would like, wash everything and, like, clean as much as I could, but I don't know if I would do enough.*

Alex says if she found bedbugs in her home, she wouldn't know what to do.

Carrie: What would you do, Dillon?

Dillon: *I'm definitely going to be more conscious of cleaning my bed sheets a bit more often. Because to be honest, I haven't been doing that enough.*

Dillon says he will make sure he cleans his clothes and his house more often to stop the bed bugs.

Thank you to Alex and Dillon.

Blue Halloween Buckets

[The Monster Mash by Bobby Pickett]

I have autism, and I know that Halloween can be tough for kids with autism when they go trick-or-treating.

But now a charity on the island of Guernsey is giving blue buckets to kids with autism. The idea is to help people recognise that a child with a blue bucket has autism.

That's all for this week.

I'll be back on the 18th of November.
Goodbye!

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to deal
att hantera
to wash
att tvätta
to clean
att rengöra, att städa

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medveten

trick-or-treat
bus eller godis

charity
välgörenhetsorganisation
to recognise
att känna igen