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Hi, I'm Carrie Morrison. Welcome to Newsreel Easy. We're going to be looking back at some of our biggest stories from 2023. Coming up:

- Stopping bad behaviour online

I think the worst abuse I've seen has been a lot of really nasty racism.

- Also, bed bugs

I'm definitely going to be more conscious of cleaning my bed sheets a bit more often.

- And the US rapper sponsoring a girl's football team in Wales

But first,

Climate Change

2023 has been the hottest year ever. There have been, what are known, as extreme weather events all over the world - including the UK.

There was a heatwave in September when temperatures got as high as 33 and half degrees centigrade. And in October six people died and thousands of homes were flooded, after a heavy rainstorm called Storm Babet.

Scientists say we'll see more storms like Babet in the future because of global warming.

Many people want governments to do more to tackle climate change.

One protest group called Just Stop Oil are calling for an end to the use of all fossil fuels.

They held a number of protests across the UK and even stopped a performance of the musical Les Miserables in London's West End.

[Do You Hear the People Sing by 25th Anniversary Cast]

Five protestors tied themselves to the stage during the song Do You Hear the People Sing.

[Protest footage]

The show was cancelled as a result.

extreme weather events
extrema väderhändelser

heatwave
värmbölja
to flood
att översvämma

global warming
globala uppvärmning

to tackle
att kämpa
climate change
klimatförändring
fossil fuels
fossila bränslen

I spoke to Alex about the protest.

Carrie: Alex, what was your reaction when you saw the story?

Alex: *My first reaction was not surprised at all, because these protests by Just Stop Oil are becoming more and more frequent.*

Alex wasn't surprised when he read the story, because there have been a lot of similar protests in the UK.

I also spoke to Amy who's an actor.

Amy: *I think that their cause is justified, and I think that a protest is fair. But I think disrupting the show is not the right way to do it.*

Amy says that though she agrees with the idea behind the protest, she thinks they shouldn't have ruined the show for the audience.

Online Safety

Now is social media a safe online space for you?

Teachers in the UK have started teaching lessons to their pupils about online hate speech. One influencer they're worried about is a man called Andrew Tate. He's a former kickboxer who has millions of followers on social media, where he's known for his sexist views.

I spoke to university student Hector who told me why he thinks so many young men seem to share Tate's views.

Hector: *Some of his followers maybe aren't very successful with women, and it's important for them that their lack of success is the women's fault and not their own.*

Hector says that some of Andrew Tate's audience find it hard to get girlfriends.

Online gaming can also be a toxic environment.

The computer game company, Ubisoft, has published a guide aimed at stopping abusive behaviour online.

I've been talking to young gamers here in the UK, to find out what they think about this. I first spoke with Josh.

Carrie: What's your experience with online gaming and online abuse?

Josh: *Yeah, I've absolutely seen this kind of behaviour online. I think the worst abuse I've seen has been a lot of really nasty racism.*

I also spoke to Jeremy.

Jeremy: *I have experienced sexist abuse playing 'Among Us'. I have experienced homophobic abuse playing 'Among Us', due to a banner that I had on during Pride Month.*

to be surprised
att vara överraskad

similar
liknande

to justify
att rättfärdiga
to disrupt
att störa, att avbryta
to ruin
att förstöra
audience
publik

hate speech
hatretorik
to be worried about
att oroa sig över

to seem
att verka

successful
framgångsrik

environment
miljö

guide
här: handbook
abusive behaviour
kränkande beteende

abuse
trakasserier

nasty
elak

to experience
att uppleva

Jeremy says they were abused online because of a banner they used during Pride Month.

Carrie: And why do you think this behaviour happens when playing these sorts of games?

Jeremy: *Well, 'cause we live in a society that tells people, especially men, that they should bottle up their feelings and it all just explodes.*

to bottle up feelings
att hålla känslorna inne

Jeremy says because men are often told to hide their feelings in real life, they express their feelings online.

to express
att uttrycka

Bedbugs

Now, bedbugs!

bed bugs
vägglöss

Bedbugs are tiny insects that hide in beds and furniture, and they were in the news this year because of a big bedbug problem in Paris in France.

furniture
möbler

Bedbugs were also found in cities across the UK.

Natalie Bungay, from the British Pest Control Association, told me about these scary little creatures.

scary
läskig

Natalie: *I mean, 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. They hide away in cracks and crevices. Of course, like most pests would do. Just hardy to get rid of.*

to feed on
att livnära sig på

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

Natalie: *Physical issues such as the bites will be similar to mosquitoes. So, itching and scratching, of course. But actually, the biggest effect of bedbugs is the psychological effect of having them living in your personal space.*

mosquito
mygga
itching and scratching
klåda och kliande

Natalie says the worst problem is that people get very stressed when there are bedbugs in their home.

I also spoke about bedbugs to Dillon.

Carrie: Dillon, had you ever experienced bed bugs, before?

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

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

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.*

enough
tillräcklig

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

Women's Football

Now, Women's Football is the fastest growing sport in the UK. England lost to Spain in the final of this year's World Cup but the match was watched by over 12 million people on television.

Sorrel is a big football fan who told me she's delighted that women's football is becoming so popular.

Sorrel: *I just kind of think it's something new. It's something exciting. The women's game is a different kind of football from the men's in terms of the, you know, the tactics and the differences of physical size obviously that you know, are unavoidable.*

Sorrel thinks that people like women's football because it is new and different from men's football.

Now staying with football:

[In da Club by 50 Cent]

That is In da Club, by US rapper 50 Cent, who's been making hip-hop music since the mid-1990s.

He's now involved with a very different sort of club.

50 Cent has started sponsoring an under 14s girls' football team in Wales. The team's manager worked on 50 Cent's recent tour and asked the rapper to help fund the team. And AFC Rumney's players now have the rapper's name all over their shirts.

Eurovision

Now. I'm guessing you recognise this song.

[Tattoo by Loreen]

It's Tattoo by Loreen - the Swedish winner of this year's Eurovision Song Contest.

The event was held in Liverpool in the UK - because last year's winner was Ukraine, which is currently at war with Russia, so the contest couldn't be held there.

The UK's entry by Mae Muller finished in 25th place. But don't worry, I'm not bitter. Well done Sweden - it was a great song!

That's all from me for 2023. Thank you for listening. Have a wonderful holiday and see you in the New Year.

Goodbye!

delighted
upprymd

exciting
spännande

unavoidable
oundviklig

to be involved
att vara inblandad

recent
här: senaste

to guess
att gissa
to recognise
att känna igen