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

- Online videos spreading misinformation about climate change

Maximo: Maybe some people don't have access to resources about climate change. Maybe they're a bit in denial.

But first...

Disposable Vape Ban

The UK Government is going to ban the sale of disposable vapes.

Vapes are e-cigarettes which were designed to help adults give up smoking.

Disposable vapes are often brightly coloured and have sweet flavours which appeal to young people.

They are also very bad for the environment. They contain harmful chemicals and over 5 million are thrown away every month.

The Prime Minister Rishi Sunak told BBC News he was banning vapes to protect children's health.

Prime Minister Rishi Sunak: *What's clear is, it is disposable vapes that are behind the very worrying rise in children's vaping. Children disproportionately and overwhelmingly use disposable vapes. So, I think we've got the balance right.*

Climate change Misinformation

Now, do you watch YouTube videos about the environment? And do some of them suggest that the effects of climate change aren't as bad as most people think?

The charity, the Centre for Countering Digital Hate, says it's seen a big rise in online videos which cast doubt on scientists' claims about the damage that global warming is doing to our planet.

In a recent report, the Centre said a third of UK teenagers now believed that the effects of climate change have been exaggerated – partly because of videos like this.

YouTube video from Jubilee: *Many of the people who own homes, they're not allowed to water their lawns. Why? Because of environmental regulation laws, which are suppressing - again, suppressing - the natural right to use water.*

I've been talking to teenagers in London to get their views on this. I first spoke with Maximo.

disposable
engångs-

to give up
att ge upp

flavour
smak
to appeal to
att tilltala
harmful
skadlig

to ban
att förbjuda
health
hälsa
worryingly
oroväckande
disproportionately
oproportionerligt
overwhelmingly
överväldigande

charity
välgörenhetsorganisation
to cast doubt
att kasta tvivel
claim
påstående

exaggerated
överdriven

to suppress
att trycka ned

Carrie: Does the fact - that over 30% of UK teenagers think climate change is exaggerated - surprise you?

Maximo: *I guess it does shock me a little bit. Because I think that we all should know that climate change is a real problem, and it's a really bad thing, and we should all be aware of this.*

I also spoke with Nancy.

Nancy: *That statistic does surprise me because from my perspective, it is a very real danger. And lots of people I know are quite worried about it. So, it's surprising that other people aren't as aware of it.*

Carrie: And why do you think this number is so high?

Nancy: *I think there's probably a lot of miseducation around it. Maybe internet plays a part in making it seem more like a fake thing, or more normalised and people aren't aware of the dangers as much.*

Carrie: What do you think, Maximo?

Maximo: *I think the figure is so high, maybe some people don't have access to resources about climate change. Maybe they're a bit in denial. I don't know, personally I believe in climate change.*

Carrie: Do you think social media platforms should do more to tackle misinformation?

Maximo: *Definitely, definitely. But, you know, my dad works for Meta...*

Meta is the company that owns Facebook and Instagram.

Maximo: *It's hard for them, though. Because... I don't know, they could spread more awareness about it and, like get rid of that fake news, get it out. But I guess it's hard to monitor.*

Carrie: And what are your thoughts, Nancy? Do you think they should do more?

Nancy: *I definitely think so, because I think it would be useful for people to be more aware of the dangers and understand the reality of the situation.*

Thank you Maximo and Nancy.

The Academy Award snubs

[Dance the Night, by Dua Lipa]

That was 'Dance the Night' by Dua Lipa, which features on the 'Barbie' movie soundtrack.

The film had been expected to receive lots of nominations for the Oscars. Margot Robbie was widely tipped to be nominated for Best Actress and Greta Gerwig was one of the favourites for best director.

But in fact, neither of them has been nominated. Ryan Gosling is up for Best Supporting Actor in the same film. And lots of people online have suggested that the decision to nominate a man, but not the two women, shows the film industry is sexist.

That's all for this week. I'll be back on the 24th of February. Goodbye!

to be aware of
att vara medveten om

danger
fara
to be worried about sth
att vara orolig över ngt

miseducation
felutbildning
to play a part
att spela en roll

figure
här: siffra
resource
resurs
to tackle
att hantera
misinformation
desinformation

awareness
medvetenhet
to get rid
att bli av med
to monitor
att övervaka

to feature on
att finnas med på

to receive
att få

to suggest
att föreslå
decision
beslut