BE AN ACTIVE VIEWER

HOW TO WATCH THE NEWS

FIRST
Find a video about the news that sparks your interest.

CHECK YOUR SOURCE
Is it reliable? Truthful? Biased?

LOOK AT THE VIDEO DESCRIPTION
What do you think it’ll be about? Who would you expect to see in the video?

ACTIVATE YOUR PRIOR KNOWLEDGE
What do you already know about this news story? What else does it link to?

SLOW IT DOWN
Take time to think and talk. Pause or replay the video.

PAUSE
Look up new vocabulary.

PAUSE
Talk when you spot a new perspective. Why are they important? Which perspective is missing?

PAUSE
Point out evidence that supports a fact. What does this evidence tell you? What if there’s no evidence?

PAUSE TO REACT
Share your opinion and say why. Who might think differently?

SUMMARISE
Explain the news story in one or two sentences.

QUESTION
Come up with three things you would like to find out about this news story.

DECIDE
Do you trust this video? Should you share it? Do you need to do more research before making these decisions?

DISCOVER THE STORY
Research using different sources. What are the similarities and differences in how the news story is being reported?

PREDICT
Make a prediction about what will happen next. Keep an eye on the news to see how the story develops...

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