

**ACTIVITY TWO: BROADCASTING FROM YOUR CLASSROOM**

The stories you produce will be published on your website - the BBC will link to you, so you could have a very wide audience for your reports!

Try this discussion activity to help your students understand some of the things they should bear in mind when reporting the news. Feel free to add your own questions to tailor it to your group.

Our resource on **keeping your news safe and legal** (<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/young-reporter/keeping-your-news-safe-and-legal/z2cm8hv>) offers some guidance for teachers on some of the key issues.

**Question:** The stories we report on and publish will be available on the internet. Who do you think might see our stories?

**Answer:** Anybody!

**Question:** If anybody can see our stories, what kind of things do we need to think about when we're deciding what to include?

**Answer:** Privacy (How much information about ourselves/others are we telling people? We should not publish personal details such as surnames of children, people's address or personal information they might not want us to share); staying safe online (using social media safely, do not give out personal contact information; taste and decency (is the story appropriate for your audience? We should think about tone - if it is a serious story about an accident, we should not report it in a light-hearted manner); defamation (we should not say anything that can damage someone's reputation unless we can prove it is true).