

What's happening in the news this week?

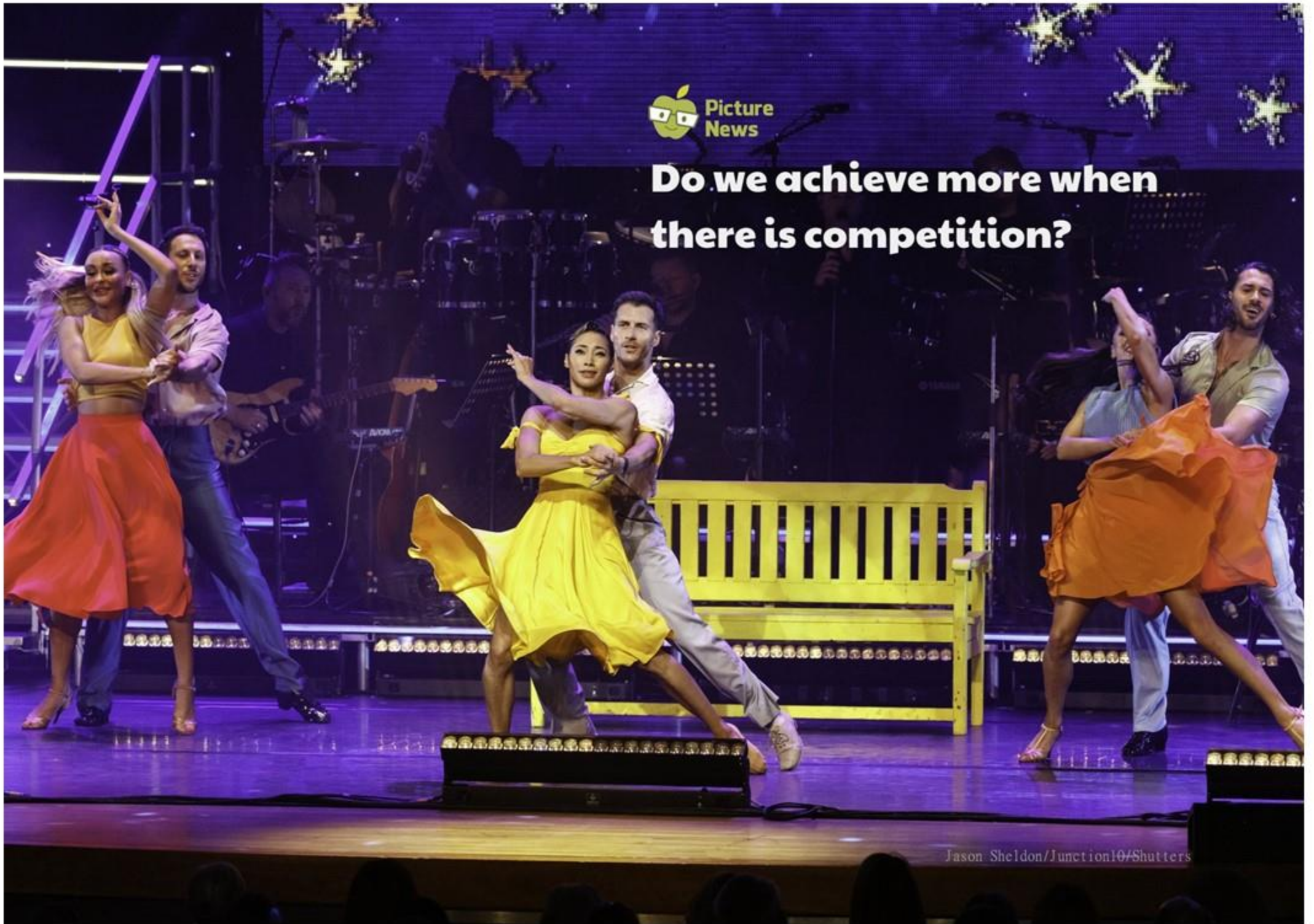


Let's have a look at this week's poster!

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**Do we achieve more when
there is competition?**



Let's look at this week's story



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Learn more about this week's story [here](#).
Watch this week's useful video [here](#).
This week's Virtual Picture News [here](#).

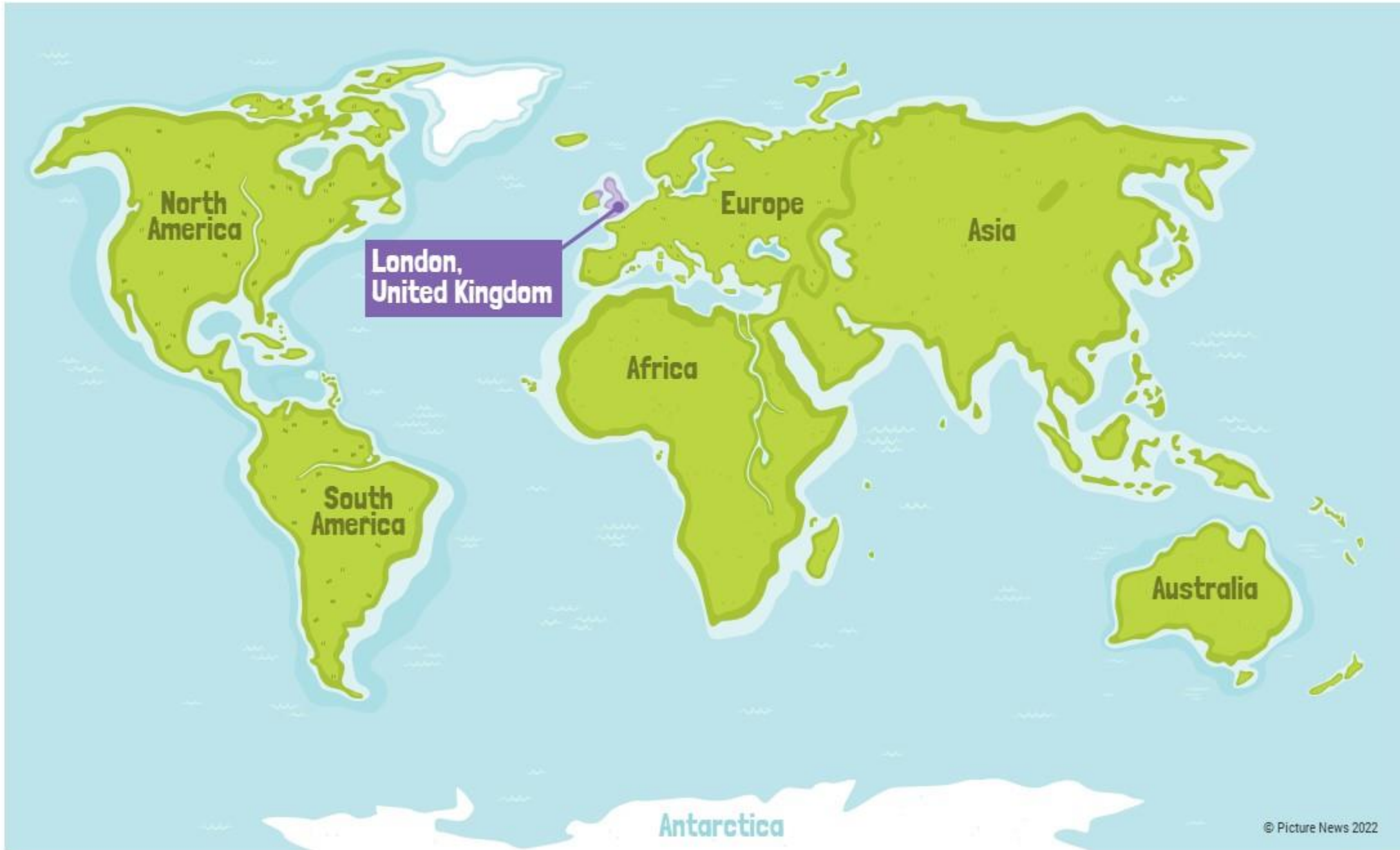


How does it make me feel?



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This week's story looks at events related to ...





Read through the information below. Why do you think so many people enjoy watching the dance competition?

What is Strictly Come Dancing?

Strictly Come Dancing is a British television dance contest in which celebrities partner with professional dancers to compete in mainly ballroom and Latin dances.

Every couple learns a new dance each week and is given a score by a panel of judges, out of 10. The scores are combined with a public vote, with the two lowest scoring couples then facing a dance off. After both couples have danced again, the judges choose to save one couple and the other leaves the competition.

The Guinness World Records has named Strictly as the world's most successful reality television format!

Sometimes it's more than scores and marks and dances, sometimes it's just a moment, and we just had that. Thank you so much.

Strictly judge, Motsi Mabuse describing last year's winners, Rose and Giovanni (pictured RIGHT) after one of their final dances.



Source (for both): BBC



What have been the highest and lowest scores?

LOWEST

The lowest scored dance was Quentin Wilson and Hazel Newberry's Cha Cha Cha in season 2, which scored eight points in total, with two x1s awarded (the lowest possible score).

HIGHEST

In each series, a handful of couples have received the perfect score of 40 (4 x 10s) in their dance routines, the highest score couples can receive.

Talk about the journey the contestants experience, with many highs and lows. How do you think it may feel to win? How do you think it might feel to be voted off the competition?



Look at the resource below, which shares some examples of different competitions.



A sports competition
e.g., running, gymnastics, football.

An arts or craft competition
e.g., painting, drawing, modelling.

Businesses competing to be more
popular and make sure people spend
their money with them.

Competing with yourself.

A competition to be the first to do
something e.g., the first person to land on the
moon, the first person to invent something.

A competition to be a world record holder.

Competing with other people for a job.



Pictured above: People waiting for a job
interview. They are competing for the job.

Can you think of any other examples of when people might compete?



Look at the resource below,
which shows some famous competitions.

The Voice

The Voice is a televised singing competition. Judges listen to competitors singing without seeing them. The winner of the competition receives a recording contract.



Guinness World Records

Guinness World Records documents and celebrates incredible and magnificent achievements that are the best in the world! Hundreds of thousands of people try to set or beat records every year.

Pictured right: @ivrrcoelho Twitter



Nobel Prizes

The Nobel Prizes are a set of annual awards for outstanding work in physics, chemistry, medicine, literature, economic sciences, and peace. People are nominated by individuals or institutions, who have been given this right. These nominations are sent to the Nobel committees, which then vote for the winner or winners.



Tour de France

This is a race for professional cyclists. It is held annually, normally in July, with the majority of the race being held in France. Competitors take part in 21 stages, raced over 23 days.



**Have you experienced any of these competitions before?
Which would you prefer to watch? Are there any you would like to take part in?**



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Reflection



There will be many times in our lives when we face competition. Sometimes we may enjoy this and do well, other times we may find it more challenging. It's important for us to remember to help and support each other as we face our different challenges!





Rule of Law

Competitions have rules. These rules often state who can enter the competition and how to win. These rules encourage fair play and help keep contestants or competitors safe.





UN Rights of a Child



Watching or participating in competitions may help us to rest, relax, play, or take part in cultural and creative activities.



Useful vocabulary



Competition

An event in which people try to win a prize or find out who is best at something.

The BBC dance **competition**, Strictly Come Dancing, returned.

Contestants

The people taking part in a competition.

Talk about the journey the **contestants** experience, with many highs and lows.

Popular

Liked, enjoyed, or supported by many people.

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Professional

Used to describe someone who does a job that people usually do as a hobby.

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Series

A set or sequence of related television or radio programmes.

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Trailer

A set of short extracts, which are shown to advertise a film or television programme.

Watch this week's useful video, which shows the **trailer** for the programme.

Can you use them in your writing this week?



Pictured: A meteor shower Source: Canva

Meteor shower

The annual Draconid Meteor Shower, which it usually produces no more than 10 visible meteors per hour, will occur in October. As the comet 21P/Giacobini-Zinner orbits the sun, it leaves a trail of dust grains, which the Earth crashes into. As the debris burns up in our atmosphere, it produces a meteor shower that is called the Draconids. Unlike most meteor showers, the best time to catch sight of the Draconids is in the evening. The streaks of light in the sky will

start appearing from 6th October. The number of shooting stars will increase steadily each night until their peak on 8th - 9th October and then disappear completely after 10th October. For those wishing to see the meteors, experts say to make sure you check the weather forecast so it won't be too cloudy, wrap up warm, get comfy and make sure torches are turned off 15 minutes before to allow your eyes to adjust to the dark.

"We just gave our company to planet Earth."

Billionaire owner of the American outdoor clothing company, Patagonia, has given his company away to help fight the climate crisis. Yvon Chouinard announced that all the company's profits will go into saving the planet. He said, "Earth is now our only shareholder. If we have any hope of a thriving planet—much less a business—it is going to take all of us doing what we can with the resources we have. This is what we can do." Yvon, who set up the company making climbing gear for himself and his

friends nearly 50 years ago, has now signed it over to a non-profit agency, which will make sure that the company's annual profits, of around \$100 million per year, will be used to 'protect nature and biodiversity, support thriving communities and fight the environmental crisis.' Mr Chouinard said he did not sell the company and donate the profits as he wanted to ensure that Patagonia would continue its activist role.



Pictured: Yvon Chouinard, founder of Patagonia Source: Patagonia @Patagonia Twitter page

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£8.86 million Michael Jordan vest

Michael Jordan's iconic 1998 National Basketball Association (NBA) Finals 'The Last Dance' jersey has been sold by Sotheby's auction house for £8.86 million. The iconic red and black vest set records for the most expensive basketball jersey, any game-worn sports memorabilia, and most valuable Michael Jordan item ever sold at auction. The winning bid was more than double the estimated price given by the auction house of £2.6m to £4.4m. Michael Jordan is considered to be one

of the best basketball players of all time, dominating the sport in the 1980s and 1990s. This piece of kit was worn in the season that the talented sportsman won his sixth and final NBA title. The Chicago Bulls star's vest took the record for the most expensive piece of game-worn sports memorabilia in history from Diego Maradona's "Hand of God" shirt worn during the 1986 World Cup. The football shirt previously sold for £7million.



Pictured: Michael Jordan's iconic 1998 NBA Finals 'The Last Dance' jersey.
Source: Sotheby's @Sothebys Twitter page.

Last week's topic:

Could we live our lives without plastic?



We might struggle to live our lives without plastic because what are we going to use instead of bottles. If we use metal that will be too expensive. Another idea is that it is changing our carbon footprint because a lot of people are littering and that is bad for the environment.

Reggie


I think it's very intertwined with our lives. I think we should all try to reduce our usage of plastic though.

Jess

Yes - I think we should stop. We didn't use plastic in the past so why do we need it now?

Philip

Let us know what you think about this week's news?

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Things to talk about at home ...

- Share any competitions that you may have taken part in. Do you enjoy it when things are competitive? What about others at home?
- Do you prefer watching or taking part in competitions?
- Considering the phrase 'it's the taking part that counts' – what do you think it means and do you agree?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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