

SKILLS



SCEPTICISM

Questioning information to find the truth

EXPERT	8	I identify what influences my own way of thinking
	7	I spot poor arguments within viewpoints
	6	I explain how influences have impacted a viewpoint on the news
	5	I ask questions to find out what has influenced a viewpoint on the news
FOUNDATION	4	I conduct research to test the facts and evidence presented
	3	I identify the facts and opinions in a specific news source
	1	I tell the difference between fact and opinion



REASONING

Justifying a viewpoint

EXPERT	8	I assess how best to respond to counter arguments
	7	I build a developed argument to justify my viewpoint
	6	I test my reasoning
	5	I give multiple reasons and pieces of evidence to justify my viewpoint
FOUNDATION	4	I explain how my reason and evidence supports a point I've made
	3	I give evidence to support the reason I have given for my viewpoint
	1	I give a basic point when asked



SPEAKING UP

Confidently communicating a viewpoint

EXPERT	8	I welcome and engage with different responses to what I have to say about the news
	7	I communicate about the news with those in a position of expertise or authority
	6	I vary my language and level of detail according to the context when talking about the news
	5	I present formally about the news in front of a group
FOUNDATION	4	I share my opinion on a specific news issue in a group of people
	3	I make points in an order that makes sense when I am speaking
	1	I speak clearly to another person



OPEN-MINDEDNESS

Listening to other viewpoints

EXPERT	8	I adapt my own viewpoint to include other people's valid viewpoints
	7	I compare other viewpoints to my own and identify the similarities and differences
	6	I research other viewpoints
	5	I ask questions to find out what has influenced a viewpoint on the news
FOUNDATION	4	I take part and respond to group discussion
	3	I pick out the key information in extended text or speech
	1	I listen to others and ask questions about what I hear

KNOWLEDGE

What do I need to know about the news?

Information about what is happening in the world

Important news concepts like power, conflict and globalisation

What makes a trustworthy news source