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2008



[Black History Month has a Limited Impact](#)

Nyasha, 14, thinks not enough is being done to celebrate black achievements in the wider community 22 January 2008



[Foyle marks World Aids Day](#)

Hundreds of balloons are released from the city walls as young people remember those who are living with the terrible illness. 2 February 2008



[Hackney's Education and Image](#)

Odaka, 13, and from Hackney, thinks the borough gets an unfair rap - here's why 22 January 2008



[Headliners go behind the scenes](#)

Belfast members invited to make extras for Exit: Alley film DVD. 12 February 2008



[If I was in charge of Lyrics](#)

Andrew, 13, thinks some rap artists need to wash their mouths out... 29 January 2008



[I'm listening says Commissioner](#)

Commissioner meets Headliners reporters Eabha Doherty and Aiofe Boyle 17 January 2008



[Living Different Lives: From Bethlehem To Hackney](#)

What's the difference between living in East London and the West Bank? Young people from Hackney and Palestine got the chance to ask each other that question when a group of young Palestinians visited the capital at the end of last year.

January 2008



[Open That Door](#)

Headliners and disability group Transition Team have produced a short film to highlight disability access problems. 12 January 2008



[Shifted Documentary](#)

A video documenting the process behind the Shifted radio project with contributions from the young people involved and project staff and volunteers.

24 January 2008



[Shifted Image Gallery](#)

22 January 2008



[Give us a Go! Special Edition](#)

Young reporters from Headliners report on national Playday as part of a magazine commissioned by Play England and talk to young people about the growing trend to stop them from taking risks in play.

December 2008



[Street violence in Welling](#)

Three teenagers from Welling ask whether a recent spate of street attacks in their area can be pinned on young people? 15 February 2008



[Teenage mums in Jamaica overcome prejudice](#)

16-year-old Eshe Nelson from Reading went to Jamaica with Unicef to see how children and young people were tackling the issue of sexual health in the country and why young mothers in Jamaica are getting help where their own education system is failing them.

14 January 2008



[The Headlines in 3008](#)

Young reporters from Headliners are taking part in Operation Soapbox, a South Bank Centre project looking at how ideas are formed. They have been looking into the future to see what stories we will be reading in the news in 3008 - and it's a strange mix of the frightening and the downright bizarre!

February 2008



[Will Smith is a Legend in his own movie](#)

Conrad Corr writes why he thinks Hollywood's latest zombie flick is a monster smash. 9 January 2008



["Children always want a role model they can relate to"](#)

Hannah Braisted, 13, and Amy Jaiteh, 12, find out which celebrities young people look up to and ask if the media should be more responsible in the way they promote fame.

10 September 2008



"My experience of coming to the UK"

Recent immigrant Emmanuel Esteve arrived in the UK from Togo unable to speak any English. Three months later, he tells Headliners about his 15 experience.

February 2008



"Taking someone's life is no joke"

On May 24th 2008 Rob Knox was fatally stabbed on a night out with friends in Sidcup. He was 18 years old. Here his friend and Headliners journalist Louis Ebdon, 17, explains his feelings about the tragedy and urges young people to think twice about carrying knives.

18 July 2008



A Big Day Out

On a hot Bank Holiday Monday in May reporters take a trip out of London to Chessington World of Adventures as a reward for their commitment and hard work this year. Yohana and Bana Tesfamichael, 12, Sarra Said-Wardell, 12 and Amon Haileab, 11, report back from their big day out.

19 June 2008



Amnesty International in China protest

Human rights youth group holds rally in Belfast calling for better justical system in run up to Olympics 18 July 2008



Babies Having Babies

19 June 2009



Be blunt - say no to knife life

Headliners and PSNI warn that copy-cat crime will result in doing time 16 October 2008



Bexley SNAP - Our Club

Bexley SNAP support young people with disabilities and special educational needs and their families. Young people from Bexley SNAP worked with 9 Headliners to make this film about their youth club, the young people who attend it, and the staff who work there.

September 2008



Biker's Paradise

23 December 2008



Blast into the Past

14 March 2008



Body Images

Does the media put too much pressure on women to be thin? Sophie Dyer, 16, looks at both the positive and negative messages being sent to young people about body image.

21 July 2008



Bridging the gap

94-year-old extols the virtue of young people 22 October 2008



Campaign for change in the media

Does the media paint too negative a picture of young people? David Collier and Terry White think so, and are using their roles in the UK Youth 13 Parliament to campaign for more positive images in the news.

October 2008



Canteen Dream or Kitchen Nightmare?

School dinners have been a political hot potato for quite some time now. Young people from Cox Green School find out if their fellow students think their school canteen is up to scratch.

22 October 2008



Children of the Revolution

For most of the 20th Century, Black South Africans had to fight against the racism they suffered in their own country. Young people played an 11 important role in this battle, as Headliners found out when they spoke to Rachel Nkumanda. March 2008



Contraception Conundrum

Lets talk about sex - sign-posting young people in the right direction 17 October 2008



Credit where credits due

Headliners Foyle reporter Gavin Moran discovers that money, money, money aint so funny. 16 October 2008



Crime and Safety in Islington

10 July 2008



Crime in Waltham Forest: What's the real story?

Rumour has it that the crime levels in the London Borough of Waltham Forest are rising; with some young people even saying they are scared to go to the police with their serious concerns. Vinny Monachello, 14, from Headliners investigates with interviews with a local young person and a police officer.

14 October 2008



Discovering Young Hackney

Headliners reporters were out and about in Hackney during half term, checking out the cultural offerings in this year's Discover Young Hackney festival 11

March 2008



Don't fear the peer pressure

Advice from young people on how to cope with moving from primary school to secondary school. 13 October 2008



Doreen the Explorer

On November 23 2007 the cruise ship MS Explorer sank after hitting an iceberg in the Antarctic. Doreen Horwood was one of the 154 people onboard when the ship started sinking. In this film, she talks exclusively to Headliners about her experience. 9

September 2008



Dying to 'fit in'

Headliners Foyle reporters hear from two teenagers who have self-harmed and had suicidal thoughts 16 October 2008



Exercise your right to write

Who's News is it Anyway? - conference calls for more community-friendly press 22 October 2008



From One War Zone to Another

A young Londoner originally from Congo escaped the troubles in his own country to find himself in Hackney where he now feels just as vulnerable but not from the militia, from other young people.

1 August 2008



From The Biggest To The Smallest

Every summer children at primary schools have to move on from familiar surroundings and make the big step on to secondary school. In this film, Headliners reporters investigate the excitement, fears and apprehensions of going from being the biggest at one school to the smallest at another. 23

July 2008



Gangs: What's the attraction?

Four young reporters from a Headliners project in west London investigate the growing problem of teenagers being involved in gangs. 28 February 2008



Getting wasted is a waste

Headliners reveal the reality of underage and binge drinking in Derry 20 May 2008



Girl Gangs in South London

When the media look at teenage gangs the focus is often on young males, but there are many females with strong links to gangs too. Marie Abbott, 14, and Belinda Matande, 14, look at how the support and protection gangs offer can be a big attraction to young girls.

11 September 2008



Global Eye 2008

A launch at Stormont which marks the end of our three year Global Eye project. 3 May 2008



Gone but not Forgotten

Losing someone close to you is never easy, but it always helps if you don't have to suffer alone. Here, the young people of Sidcup Youth Centre describe the tragic events of summer 2007, and how they came together to support each other through difficult times. 11

March 2008



Good, Clean Fun

The UK's only underage music festival (strictly for 14-18 year olds) may be seen to the older generations as a breeding ground for sordid teenage antics. Young Reporters from Headliners report back from the festival and explain how this couldn't be further from the truth with nothing but good, clean fun and a strong anti-bullying message.

15 August 2008



Hackney Youth Guide Review

From libraries to break dancing and museums to football clubs - Hackney has got it all, and now you can find out when and where! 11 March 2008



Hoax calls and attacks are 'mindless'

Headliners Sunita Singh Hans discusses the burning issue of hoax calls to the NI Fire and Rescue Service. 20 May 2008



How can we stop the madness?

With so much focus on gun and knife crime and the media's focus on adult perspectives of it, Headliners reporters decided to go straight to the people more likely to have the answers. We spoke to two young people referred to Hackney Youth Offending Team to find out why gun and knife crime has increased in the last few years. 10

October 2008



I Am A Cyborg

Ruth Magennis reviews the new film by Korean director Cha Wook-park. 29 April 2008



If I were in Charge of Advertising

If young people were in charge the world would be very different. Jamila, 14 wishes she were in charge of advertising. 5 July 2008



If I were in Charge of Consoles

The world would look very different if young people were in charge. Tristan, 10, wishes he were in charge of game consoles. 3 July 2008



If I were in Charge of Homework

The world would be very different if young people were in charge and reporters from London explain how in a series of columns for Children and Young People Now magazine. 3 July 2008

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If I were in Charge of London

The world would be a very different place if young people were in charge. Sophia, 11, wishes she were in charge of London. 3 July 2008



If I were in Charge of the London Eye

The world would look very different if young people were in charge. Louis, 10, wishes he were in charge of the London Eye. 5 July 2008



If I were in charge of the world

The world would look very different if young people were in charge. Gabby, 12, wishes she were in charge of the world. 10 October 2008



If I were in Charge of Trains

The world would look very different if young people were in charge. Joseph, 8, wishes he were in charge of the trains. 3 July 2008



In My Hood

Four members of Headliners talk about their experiences of living with gangs on their doorsteps. 28 February 2008



Inside the MindMine

As part of a Campbell Arts centre project, a website has been developed which looks at how the brain works. We took a look and give you our thoughts. 18 April 2008



Interview with Chief Executive Officer of the Learning Trust about Words Unite

Young reporters from 'What's Up' spoke to Alan Wood, CEO of the Learning Trust, about getting Hackney reading 18 April 2008



Is West best?

Headliners asks is commercial globalisation ruining our individuality? 21 May 2008



It's Not The Dog's Fault

Dogs can't be expected to pick up their own mess. This has to be down to their owners. However, on one estate in Islington, some owners have not been doing their bit. Headliners reporters investigate

28 November 2008



Lording it in London

Four Headliners members from Belfast sat at the House of Lords to represent the voice of young people in Northern Ireland. Ruth Smyth, 19 and Sonya Gorman, 18, report. 20 May 2008

May 2008



Loud 'N' Clear In The Last Year

30 May 2008



Media must get to the heart of the 'matter'

A Headliners project challenges the media to focus on ability not disability 28 February 2008



Members Potty About Podcasting

Young people work their magic on blogs this month. 10 December 2008



Mind The Gap!

Headliners makes headway in going the distance between old and young 17 October 2008



Money Talks Volunteering Rocks

22 August 2008



Moving on

Integrate or segregate - what do young people want? 20 May 2008



My Experiences of being Young Today

What is it like to be young today? Kamil Boriel, 12, reports on changing attitudes of adults towards young people as The Children's Society produced the UK's first independent national inquiry into childhood.

1 June 2008



Off The Walls Magazine

Headliners Foyles Quarterly Magazine Off The Walls produced and written by young people for young people. 4 September 2008



[One That Will "Sit Down" Well With James Fans](#)

An album review by Daniel "Foneyzy" Stewart from Belfast. 29 April 2008



[One Word Many Prejudices](#)

Rachel Magennis, 15, shows how first impressions can be a source of prejudice. 25 October 2008



[Operation Soapbox: What Does The Future Hold?](#)

30 May 2008



[Our Estates](#)

Three reporters from Headliners take us around where they live and hang out in this film. Exploring the changes that have taken place over the years gone by.

31 May 2008



[Playing the Waiting Game](#)

22 August 2008



[Politics is Marmite](#)

Are young people living in an Age of Apathy when it comes to politics? asks Headliners reporter 16 October 2008



[Pride But Not Prejudice](#)

Aaron Crossey, 15, finds our society is still being plagued by sectarianism. 21 October 2008



[Reel Prejudice](#)

Headliners members in Belfast produce a series of short films tackling different prejudices. 21 October 2008



[Reporters write for Hackney Today](#)

Young people in Hackney have their say 19 December 2008



[SATs: Are they worth the stress?](#)

The debate about SATs exams has raged all summer, with papers not being marked on time and reports that they put too much stress on students. Headliners spoke to young people with experience of the tests to find out what all the fuss is about.

18 September 2008



[social evil or networking miracle](#)

The 21st century has become one which is dominated by technology; it is now conventional to become best friends with a person you have never met. This is what young people think about social networking today

October 2008



[Strong Words Sofly Spoken](#)

Ruth Smyth, 19, makes a film using quotes that focus on prejudice. 11 October 2008



[Teenage Kicks](#)

A short film about Headliners in Belfast by 18 year old Lyra McKee. 10 May 2008



[The Big Issue](#)

Holly Foscett, 15, observes Big Issue sellers and how they are received. 17 December 2008



[The Deal With A 5090](#)

Headliners investigate the tension between young people and the police's stop and search tactics. 31 May 2008



[The great estate debate](#)

Young people from the Galliagh and Greater Shantallow estates in Derry try to overcome the stigma attached to living in a housing estate. 7 March 2008



[The right to have rights](#)

Derry's young people set the world to 'rights' round the table. 22 May 2008



[The state of reading today](#)

In the run up to World Book Day three Headliners journalists from Hackney discuss books and why they think children aren't reading enough today.

28 February 2008



[The wheels on the bus...](#)

21 August 2008



[Tired of Ties?](#)

Young people from Cox Green School get their fellow pupils' opinions on their school uniform and ask "is it time for a change?" 17 October 2008



Too Much Too Young

Orrel Lawrence, investigates the problems faced by young people looking for a job and their struggles when they enter the workplace 5 December 2008



Understanding the People of Tomorrow, Today

As the Children's Society publish the UK's first independent national inquiry into childhood - The Childhood Inquiry, young reporters at Headliners 1 report on the changing attitudes of adults towards young people.

June 2008



Women's Battle For Empowerment

Janagha Aboozari, 18 denounces the way women are being treated in Afghanistan where violence takes the place of justice. 21 October 2008



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22 August 2008



'Yobs' Take Over the House of Lords

An historic moment has been made as 300 young people from across the UK took over parliament and debated issues affecting them in the UK 9 today, including the negative portrayal of young people in the media and the environment. Charlotte Lytton, 16, and Rhona Ezuma, 18, report back from the House of Lords where the country's yobs made their mark.

May 2008



Young Kenyans Speak out against Violence

In January, the world looked on as Kenya, a country most known for its wildlife, unique tribal communities and safaris, erupted into chaos 5 unprecedented in the African country. Reporters from Headliners spoke to young people from one of the worst affected cities Kisumu, to get their perspective.

August 2008



Young people Storm parliament

Teenagers from across Northern Ireland marched to the home of the government to demand their own youth assembly. 26 February 2008



Young people with eating disorders speak out

With constant media attention on issues such as obesity and healthy eating, Headliners reporters Dowa Ojarikre, 18, and Bisi Fashesin, 18, spoke to a group of courageous young people in an online chat room for teenagers with eating disorders to find out how problems with food can affect the lives of young people.

18 September 2008



Youth Gangs: What's the attraction?

Watch a video made by young people in west London looking at the issue of gangs. 28 February 2008



Youth Mentoring Gets A 3 Million Boost!

Hundreds of young people throughout the U.K. will now be able to benefit from adult and peer mentors in sport, music and media thanks to 3 Million in funding to the Youth Mentoring Programme. At a prestigious event in London's West End, Orrel Lawrence, 19, spoke to youth mentors and mentees and rubbed shoulders with the special guests. Here is his report.

26 August 2008



Youth Violence: A Wider Perspective

Knife crime is one of the biggest issues facing young people today. But is violence really a part of everyday life for all young people, or does the 17 media's focus on knife crime create a negative stereotype of teenagers? Young people from Maidenhead investigate.

October 2008

Youth workers make demand for more funds

Government urged to pump more cash into services aimed at helping young people. 8 February 2008