

# NEW CUTTING EDGE

## INTERMEDIATE

### Module 6 In the media

- 1 What do you know about the BBC? Talk to your partner.
- 2 You are going to find some news stories on the BBC website. Type in: [www.bbc.co.uk](http://www.bbc.co.uk). When the main page appears, click on **International version** at the top of the page. Look at the main stories on the page. Write six headlines you see:

Headline \_\_\_\_\_

Headline \_\_\_\_\_

Headline \_\_\_\_\_

Headline \_\_\_\_\_

Headline \_\_\_\_\_

Headline \_\_\_\_\_

Which of these stories do you think is the most important? Why?

- 3 Which would you be more interested in looking at - **Entertainment** or **Sport**? Choose one of these from the left of the page. If you choose **Entertainment**, articles will appear on the next page. If you choose **SPORT** a list of sports will appear on the left of the page. (Choose one which you like and articles about this sport will appear.) Now choose one of the articles and complete the following information:

Who is mentioned in the article? \_\_\_\_\_

Why? \_\_\_\_\_

- 4 You are now going to find a news story about your part of the world. From the list below the map at the top of the page on the left-hand side, click on the region you are from. When the stories from your part of the world appear, click on a story which interests you. Read through the story and write a short summary of it here:

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- 5 You are now going to find the weather forecast for your part of the world. Click on **WEATHER** on the left of the page. Click on the map of the world. Select your part of the world and write the weather conditions for today here: \_\_\_\_\_

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### TEACHER'S NOTES:

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**Aim:** For students to find news stories in English from the BBC website. This webquest can be used at the end of the module and leads on directly from the theme of the module, the media.

**Time:** Approximately 45 minutes.

**Materials:** Photocopies of the worksheet for each student.

- 1 Students discuss with their partners what they know about the BBC. Get feedback, then tell students they are going to be looking at the BBC website for news stories.
- 2 Check that students have opened the correct page and have opened the international version. Students write the headlines of six of the stories they can see on the page. Students can then decide with their partners which of the stories is the most important and why.
- 3 Students decide which they would be most interested in reading about, **entertainment** or **sport**? Students click on the area they have chosen from the left of the page. (If they choose sport, they should click on **SPORT** on the left. A list of sports will appear on the left of the page from which students choose one which they are interested in. They can then choose one of the articles.) Students write down who is mentioned in the article and why. Students can then compare their stories with their partners.
- 4 Tell students they are going to find a news story about their part of the world. From the list below the map at the top of the page on the left, students click on the region they are from. When the stories from their part of the world appear, students click on a story which interests them. Students read through the story and write a short summary of it. Students can then tell the rest of the class about their stories.
- 5 Students finish by finding the weather forecast for their part of the world. Students click on **WEATHER** on the left of the page and then on the map of the world on the right of the page. Students select their part of the world and write the weather conditions for today.