

# news-omatic



American Association  
of School Librarians  
**TRANSFORMING LEARNING**



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- Engaging daily nonfiction news for grades K–8
- 17,000+ articles + 5 new each school day
- Multiple reading levels & languages
- Built-in audio and accessibility supports
- Quizzes & prompts for media literacy
- Supports research, inquiry, and current events
- Safe, ad-free, COPPA/FERPA-compliant

**news-O-matic**  
for Library  
Media Services

**News-O-Matic** is a dynamic digital learning platform that engages K-8 students with nonfiction reading, empowering them to **think critically and curiously, strengthen their reading skills, and expand their global awareness.**

**How does News-O-Matic help library media specialists?**

- Provides **high-interest nonfiction** content that can be used across the curriculum - including ELA, Science, and Social Studies
- Guides **research** and note-taking efforts with citations for each article
- Supports **inquiry-based learning**, encouraging critical thinkers with compelling questions, evaluation of evidence, and informed action
- Promotes **media literacy** information and skill-building

**News-O-Matic includes:**

- **Five daily news articles:** Original, unbiased content on current events - each weekday
- **Five Lexile levels with Read-to-Me option:** Support differentiation for varying abilities
- **Content in six languages:** English, Spanish, French, German, Mandarin, and Arabic
- **Searchable database of 16,000+ articles:**
- **Age-appropriate articles:** Vetted by a child psychologist
- **Robust activities and resources:** Engage teachers and students

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# The Literacy & News Challenge Facing Today's Students

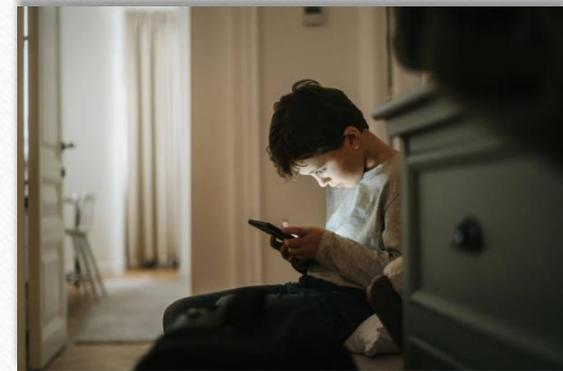
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- By age 13, just 17% read for fun daily. \*NAEP
- Only 16% of U.S. teens say they follow the news closely.  
\*NAEP
- 45% of teens say they get news “rarely” or “never.” \*Pew
- Just 20% of teens regularly read news websites or newspapers (vs social media exposure). \*Pew

**“Over half of children encounter news by age 10, and 1 in 5 tweens already get news from social media.”**

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- 55% of TikTok users get news there \*Pew
- 60% of teens use TikTok daily. \*Pew
- 21% of teens say they’re on TikTok “almost constantly.” \*Pew



# WANTED: MEDIA LITERACY

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Teens want media literacy instruction included in their education. An overwhelming majority of teens (94%) say that schools should be required to teach media literacy.

\*News Literacy Project





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- **Teaches students to evaluate sources**  
Real news stories help learners identify facts, opinions, and credible information.
  - **Builds bias awareness**  
Balanced, neutral reporting models how news can present multiple perspectives.
  - **Develops critical reading skills**  
Students analyze headlines, evidence, and author intent in authentic texts.
  - **Connects nonfiction to real life**  
Daily current events make reading relevant and motivating.
  - **Supports discussion and inquiry**  
Articles spark questions, debates, and classroom conversation.
  - **Engages diverse learners**  
Multimodal features (audio, visuals, multiple languages) increase access and interest.

Try



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**Try News-O-Matic for Free**

News-O-Matic's digital news platform supports reading, research, and media literacy for K-8 students.

- Five fresh age-appropriate news articles daily
- Multiple reading levels and languages
- 16,000+ searchable nonfiction articles
- Multimedia resources - videos, maps, and more
- Supports critical thinking and classroom learning

Librarians agree: Students love News-O-Matic in the library to learn something new, real, and

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Title \*

School/District \*

State \*

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