

Activity Resource: News Programs

LifeShare News Channel

LifeShare uses a NPR-driven newsfeed that updates throughout the day. LifeShare displays top news headlines from world news, sports, and business and economy. Regularly reading articles can help stimulate brain function for improved performance in critical thinking and cognition.

How To Access News On-Demand

All new categories can be accessed on the CommunityShare through on-demand. If the slideshow is currently playing, push the black LS button on the remote to get to the Home Channel. Choose the option "Read the News."

Using the News in Group Activities

Americans ages 50+ are the biggest consumers of news. According to US News and World Report, Seniors age 65 and older consume 83 minutes worth of news each day. Make this daily activity a part of your scheduled group activities. Allow groups to have stimulated conversations, debates, and trips down memory lane inspired by today's headlines.

Facilitating Interaction with the News in Groups

Facilitating group conversations with active participation boils down to asking questions. Remember you can build up to the thought-provoking, high-order thinking questions. Allow the group to warm up with some simple knowledge and comprehension questions. Then begin to dig deeper to inspire some conversation about topics. Below are some higher-level question starters:

How did you feel about...?

What does remind you of?

What do you think it means...?

Why do you think...?

What do you think we can do...?

How might...?

How does...compare and contrast with...?