

# THE BIG DEBATE

## Are screens good or bad for us?

Take or draw a picture to represent this debate

The amount of time that children under the age of two spend looking at screens on digital devices has more than doubled in the last 17 years.

There's been growing concern over the excessive amount of time some children spend on smartphones and tablets but now some experts are saying that screens can be a good tool to help children with their learning.

**For everyone**  
but some may need help from a parent

### ACTIVITY

#### Make a statement

Do you think these statements are for or against screens? Draw a line to match each statement to a tablet to cast your vote!



Children are spending more time looking at screens than playing outside

It provides opportunities to easily discover information and learn new things

They provide you with the opportunity to reach a wider community

46% of children's screen time is spent before bed



### ACTIVITY

#### Have your say

What do you think? Can you show your reader both sides of the argument?

**Up for a challenge?**

#### SCREEN TIME IS GOOD BECAUSE

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#### SCREEN TIME IS BAD BECAUSE

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#### THE POLL

Ask your friends and family what they think and record their vote in a tally chart below

