

## Should we ban lollies? Podcast for kids asks the Short & Curly questions

Friday, September 16, 2016 — Should we ban lollies? This is just one of the tricky questions posed in the new season of the ABC's exciting podcast for kids, *Short & Curly*.

*Short & Curly* is a fast-paced fun-filled ethics podcast for kids and their parents, with questions and ideas to really get you thinking. It asks curly questions about animals, technology, school, pop culture and the future.

Hosts Carl Smith (*Behind the News*), Molly Daniels (ABC3's *Tomorrow When the War Began*) and resident ethicist Matt Beard (The Ethics Centre) are joined by a brains-trust of school children and some special high-profile guests like sporting stars and famous musicians.

*Short & Curly* is targeted at 7-12 year olds, but is perfect for the whole family to listen to together. With built-in "pause" breaks and questions to spark group discussion, *Short & Curly* is designed to add some spice to a holiday car trip or rainy day at home.

The show works really well in classrooms too.

Five new episodes are available now. Listen via the [Short & Curly website](#) or download via [iTunes](#) or your favourite podcasting app.

A rundown of the latest episodes follows:

### **Should we ban lollies?**

Lollies are a colourful and very sweet part of many children's lives. But for those of us who can't stop at just one, should society protect us from ourselves?

### **Who gets saved first in a fire?**

Professional fire and rescue workers often have to make really hard and terrible decisions in moments of heat, smoke and danger. So, if you were a firefighter, who would you save first?

### **Is Pokemon Go playing you?**

Millions of people are playing the augmented reality game which sends its players out into the streets to catch weird little imaginary creatures. The game is so cleverly designed so you never want to stop playing. So we want to know are you playing the game or is it playing you?

### **Do you have to love your sibling?**

We're often told we have a special responsibility to our brothers and sisters just because they are family. But, do we really? And what kind of duty is it? What if you found out the annoying new kid at school was your long lost brother or sister? Would you feel any differently about them?

### **Should celebrities keep it real?**

Images of movie stars and pop singers are everywhere we look – album covers, concert posters, social media platforms. But, how honest and accurate are they? When do small changes to an image turn it into a lie? Do we really expect celebrities to be authentic?

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