



1 62 Listen to a radio show about the news cycle. What is the discussion about?

- 1 Why today's news cycle is bad for journalists.
- 2 What the main changes in the news cycle have meant.
- 3 Where most people get their news from.

2 62 Listen again and choose the correct option according to what is said.

- 1 The 'news cycle' is the term for *how long a story stays in the news / how serious a story is*.
- 2 Today, the news cycle is described as being *24-hour / second-by-second*.
- 3 Many *specialist / tabloid* journalists used to work for the major news companies.
- 4 One effect of 24-hour news was that *newspapers / television* started to report on fewer serious news stories than before.
- 5 These days, not all news sources are *news organizations / follow the news cycle*.

3 62 Listen again. Match the speaker (1–4) to the information or opinion they expressed (a–f). There are two extra letters. Then write I (information) or O (opinion) next to the four sentences.

1 Presenter _____

2 Kate _____

3 Joao _____

4 Luisa _____

- a 24-hour news channels meant people had a better understanding of major events. _____
- b Before 24-hour news, television news was usually on three times a day. _____
- c Local news stories getting national attention has been a good thing. _____
- d Many of today's news sources don't give us any useful information. _____
- e Newspapers used to print several different editions a day. _____
- f There's not enough serious news to fill 24-hour news channels. _____