



Beginners: e-Life: Your Views

Have your say

From the **BBC News Home page** <http://news.bbc.co.uk> click onto the link **Have your say** on the left-hand side of the screen.

Have your say allows you to send your views about various topics or news stories to the BBC website. You can join in debates or discussions on particular current issues.

There are **rules** which you should read before sending your views.

All debates and discussions are monitored by BBC website staff.

RSS An **RSS** feed allows you to stay up to date with the latest news and features you want from websites and have it delivered directly to you. The BBC website has many. To subscribe to them, you need an **RSS Reader** or other similar device. There are many to choose from:

- Windows include Newz Crawler, FeedDemon and Awasu.
- Web include Bloglines, My Yahoo and NewsGator.
- MAC OS X include Newsfire and NetNewsWire

Click onto the **Create your membership** button to create an account.

Fill in the details required - name, password, secret question and answer, date of birth.

Don't tick the box to remember

you, if you are using a shared PC.

Click on the button to move onto step 2, read the terms and conditions, agree them and move onto step 3. Type in your email address and move onto step 4. You will then be sent a confirmation email; you simply need to follow the instructions set out in the email and click on the link to confirm you want to create your membership. You can then start writing your messages on the boards - make sure you follow the **house rules**. Click on the **Take me to Points of View** button.

Message boards can be fun, a useful source of information and can help you if you're stuck, for example getting digital channels to work. Talk about television programmes, radio, digital, the BBC and much more. Join a discussion (or **thread**) or create your own.