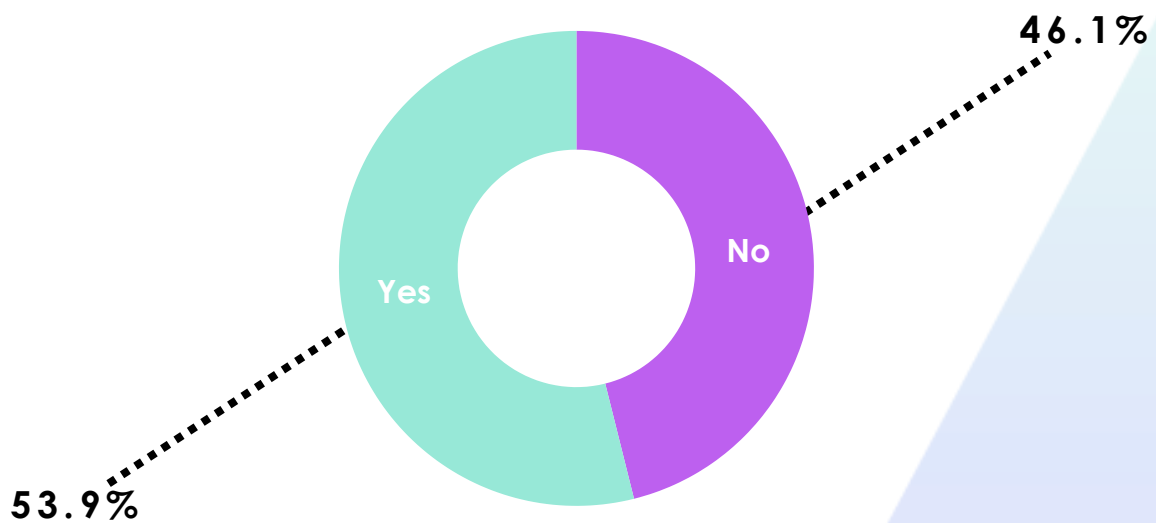


## YOUR LATEST RESULTS

Is giving rewards for voting a good idea?



*This VoteTopic received 46,553 total votes.*

## THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTIONS

**Should UK football clubs be fan-owned?**

- What problems do football fans face in 2024?
- How could fan-ownership of football clubs improve the fan experience?
- What downsides could there be for fan-owned clubs?

## WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

- *"FC United of Manchester [aims] to create a sustainable club for the long term which is owned & democratically run by its members, which is accessible to all the communities of Manchester." - FC United of Manchester Club Manifesto.*
- *"Getting to the Premier League is the ultimate goal – and staying in the Premier League so it's sustainable. But only doing it in a fashion that the community supports because there are all sorts of ways to succeed. ...There are only a few paths to be ethically viable to do so." - Rob McElhenney, co-owner of Wrexham A.F.C.*

## A CLOSER LOOK: A LEAGUE OF THEIR OWN



Before 1992, all the top football teams in England played in a different league called the First Division. The clubs wanted more control over their money and games, so they created the Premier League. The new league quickly gained millions of fans all over the world; investment from new companies meant that teams could afford to buy the most skilful players on the international market.

20 teams make up the Premier League, and every season three teams get relegated to play in the Championship instead. This means that teams from the Championship get the opportunity to move up to the Premier League if they reach the top of their league. Only six teams have always stayed in the Premier League: Arsenal, Chelsea, Everton, Liverpool, Manchester United and Tottenham Hotspur.

### YOUR COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

- When did the Premier League kick off?
- In which league did most football teams play before the Premier League was formed?
- Why did the Premier League become so popular?
- What does the word “relegated” mean?
- Which six teams have always been in the Premier League?

## THIS WEEK'S OTHER NEWS STORIES

### General Election 2024 announced

Prime Minister Rishi Sunak announced the UK's next general election for 4th July 2024 in a rain-soaked speech. Once Parliament has been dissolved by the King, MPs will campaign locally and nationally to be re-elected by voters.



### All eyes on Rafah

After Israel's airstrikes killed at least 45 Palestinians who were sheltering in the city of Rafah, an AI-generated image of the Gazan city has been shared over 43 million times as it was able to bypass Instagram's content rules.



### Teen selling Euros tickets for charity

Mitchell Carling, a 16-year old from Dundee, is selling his ticket to see Scotland vs. Germany in the Euros to raise money for charities that support children with autism and research the treatment of type one diabetes.



### Life finds a way at Sycamore Gap

King Charles has been given the first seedling grown from the Sycamore Gap tree in Northumberland, which was illegally cut down in September. The shoots are being called a reminder of "much-needed hope" from nature.



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