

Easy Read: **Protests, Flags and Immigration**



There have been protests in the UK, mostly in London. The protesters used England Flags and Union Jack flags.



The protests happened because people are upset about **immigrants** coming to the country.



Immigrants are people who move to the UK from other countries.



Some people think there are not enough homes, jobs, or services for everyone.



They want the government to control immigration better.



People have put up flags like the Union Jack and St George's Cross in public places.



Some people see these flags as a way to show pride in their country.



Other people feel worried because these flags have been used by people that don't welcome immigrants (and the families of immigrants) in the country.



The way these flags have been used has made some people feel worried and unsafe.



The government says people can fly flags at home, but not on street poles or buildings. This is to keep things safe for everyone.



Most people in the UK welcome immigrants. Most people want to live in a peaceful and fair country for everyone.



They believe immigrants help the country by working, paying taxes, and adding to British culture.



Studies show that most people in the UK think immigration is good and makes the country a better place for everyone.



It's important to remember that people can have different opinions.



It's okay to talk about these feelings calmly and respectfully.



Everyone has the right to protest peacefully and respectfully. There should be no racism at a protest - this is a hate crime and against the law.



Some people became violent at the recent protests. They hurt people and damaged property. This is sometimes called rioting.



If you are at a protest that starts to become violent, leave immediately. Keep yourself safe.



Never become involved in rioting. You could get injured or arrested.



It's important to remember that everyone has the right to feel safe at protests, in their homes, and in their communities.



If you're feeling worried or confused, talk to someone you trust.