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Focus areas - November 2026

Below is a list of the areas where engagement remains lowest, along with additional topics where we're seeking more academic interest.

Environment & Energy

- "How to" guides that show readers how to tackle household issues in environmentally friendly ways

Contact: Rachael Jolley

- Stories that compare responses to an energy/environmental problem and how it is tackled differently in two countries, eg recycling in Sweden and UK
- Reviewers for upcoming climate/nature-related books/films
- Unusual research expeditions with a strong climate hook and a captivating first-person narrative
- Fresh and practical takes on the environmental credentials of the festive season

Contact: Anna Turns

Education & Young People

- Expert tips on common parenting challenges

Contact: Grace Allen

Science & Technology

- Ancient DNA
- Palaeontology
- Chemistry
- Genetics
- Aspects of astronaut life
- Food science
- Whales

Contact: Jenna Whittlesea

Health & Medicine

- Dermatology, dentistry and longevity (gerontology)

Contact: Clint Witchalls

Business & Economy

- Specific countries and the interesting/unusual economic choices they're making or challenges they're tackling
- Holiday trends/tourism

Contact: Luke Salkeld

Arts & Culture

- Philosophers and visual arts experts, especially those keen to get out to review exhibitions

Contact: Anna Walker

International Affairs

- Experts in military strategy and technology to help broaden our coverage of the war in Iran and Ukraine
- In a rapidly changing world, we'd like to hear from experts who can help explain how multinational organisations such as Nato and the United Nations can adapt to cope
- Experts in China's foreign policy
- Experts in North Korea: its politics, military programme and any evidence of involvement in state-backed criminal enterprises including hacking

Contact: Jonty Este

Politics & Society

- Experts on immigration's effect on the economy and society
- Research/data-based trend pieces on knife crime

Contact: Sarah Reid

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