

# Complaints to the BBC: October 2011

The BBC answered just over **16,000** complaints from the audience in October 2011. These ranged from a small number of complaints about alleged breaches of editorial guidelines through to a much larger collection of views about programme content and services.

Footage of Col Gaddafi's capture and images showing his corpse shown across the BBC News output led to complaints from audience members who felt the images were too graphic.

A performance by one of the contestants on Strictly Come Dancing saw complaints from viewers who felt part of the dance routine was too suggestive for a family show.

The announcement that Doctor Who Confidential is not returning led to complaints from fans of the show disappointed with the decision.

We received complaints from listeners who were concerned with the quality of the BBC Radio 2 Breakfast show, while Chris Evans was away.

We continued to receive complaints in October following claims in the press that the BBC has replaced the reference terms BC (Before Christ) and AD (Anno Domini) with BCE (Before Common Era) and CE (Common Era). The BBC's response stated clearly *"It is incorrect to say that the BBC has replaced date systems BC and AD with Before Common Era (BCE) and Common Era (CE)"*.

The BBC's responses to some recent issues can be read on the [BBC Complaints website](#).