

Assignments – 2022 Peace prize  
Ales Bialiatski, Memorial and  
the Center for Civil Liberties



Ales Bialiatski, Memorial and the Center for Civil Liberties have been awarded the Nobel Peace Prize of 2022 for their extraordinary contributions to documenting war crimes, human rights violations and the abuse of power. Together they demonstrate how important civil society is for peace and democracy.

Why do you think the authorities in countries like Belarus and Russia want to stop individuals and organisations who are fighting for human rights?

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Why is it a problem for democracy if freedom of expression and the freedom to form organisations is restricted?

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Imagine if one of your friends was put in prison for something they didn't do. How would that affect you?

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Would you fight for what you believe in, like Ales Bialiatski does, even if it meant risking imprisonment or other punishment?

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With this year's peace prize, the Norwegian Nobel Committee celebrates how individuals and organisations can make an important difference for society and democracy. Can you make a difference?

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