
Vocabulary

To throw on = aandoen

--> I check my Facebook before I throw on my clothes.

To turn on = aanzetten

--> I turn on my computer to make revisions

Come on = komaan!

--> Come on, give it a try!

To live on = voortleven

--> Some people think that, if we want the elegance of standard English to live on, testspeak must stop.

To urge on = to strongly encourage

--> Teachers have been urged on by panicky parents to ban mobile phones from schools.

To cling on to = vasthouden aan

--> Do we have to cling on to an outdated language?

Discussion

- 1) Are spelling mistakes irrelevant?
 - --> According to ms. Vandeurzen spelling mistakes are indeed irrelevant if the communication is not bothered by it in an informal register. Spelling mistakes are of course taboo in a formal register.
- 2) Languages are alive if they are constantly evolving
 - --> Because new words are always added to the language through different processes and for many different reasons. If a language evolves, it is a good sign because that means that it still has enough active speakers to evolve.
 - --> English evolves faster than other languages because it has more foreign speakers than native speakers. Foreign speakers are less likely to hang on to the rules of the language (example: foreign speakers are more likely to use the normal rule for a verb instead of remembering that it is an irregular verb).