# Using social media

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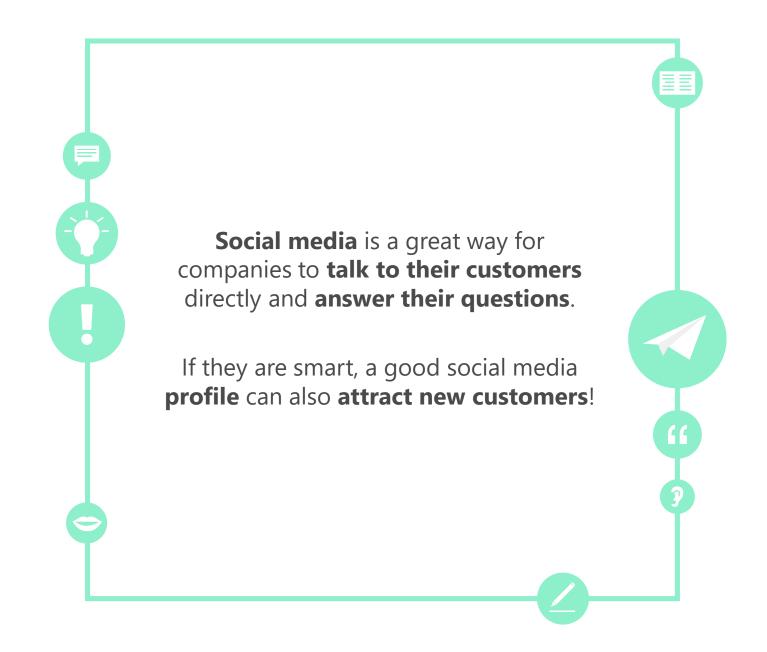




#### **Goals**

- Can engage in conversation about social media and how companies use it.
- Can express my views regarding social media.





# Warm-up

In this lesson, you will learn to discuss how companies use **social media** for **online marketing**.



Most companies now have profiles on all major sites.

#### profile

A social media **profile** is an account where you share your content.



Their **profile** has a very modern design with bright colours.

#### to post

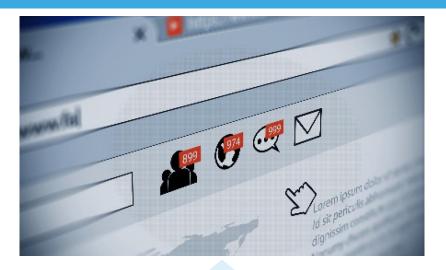
When we **share** things on social media, we **post** them.



That company **posts** pictures of new clothes every day.

#### channels

Social media **channels** are the different websites that companies use.



They shared the news via all their **channels**.

#### sites

**Sites** is a shortened form of **websites**.



Facebook is a popular social media **site**.

#### feed

A **feed** on social media is where the pictures, posts and comments show.



My social media **feed** shows products from brands I love.

#### **followers**

#### likes

**Followers** are the people that connect with a social media account and **likes** is a simple way of interacting with a post.



The company account has 100,000 **followers** but people do not give their posts many **likes**.



#### **Complete the sentences**

1. Our account is very popular, we have...

a. post every day.

2. We don't have a...

b. is to have multiple channels.

3. That company is active on social media. They...

c. from that fashion brand on my feed.

4. An easy way to connect with more people...

d. more than 150,000 followers.

5. I always see pictures...

e. profile on that website.



#### Form a sentence

Use the words below to create a sentence. Try to describe how a company can use social media as a marketing tool.

sites to post

channels profiles



#### **Discuss with a partner**

# Which companies use social media a lot?

How do they use it exactly?

profile channels to post followers

#### audience

An audience on social media is all the people who can see something.



They have a large **audience**, thousands of people see their posts on social media.

#### to check

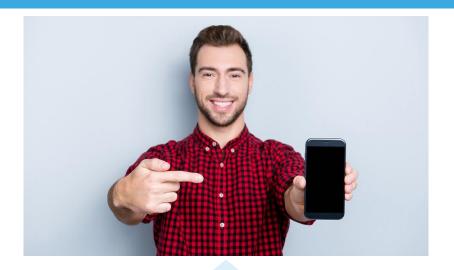
We can use **to check** in the same way we use **to look at**.



People **check** social media almost every day.

#### to talk to clients

**Talking to clients** through comments or messages is a great use of social media for companies.



An airline can talk to its clients on social media directly.

#### to fix a problem

If something goes wrong, a company can **fix a problem** and **share this news** quickly with social media.



A supermarket **fixed a problem** with a food product by sharing an article on their social media.

#### to attract new customers

Companies try and attract customers by sharing their brand on social media.

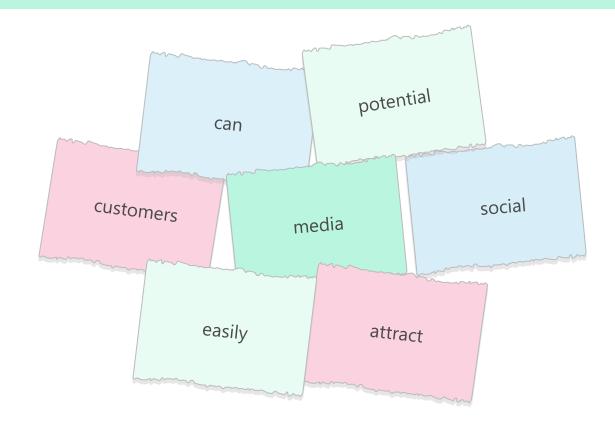


Using lots of photos on your posts can help show a product and **attract new customers**.



#### Make a sentence

#### Unscramble the words to make a sentence about social media





#### Discuss these statements about using social media with your teacher.



Companies need to talk with clients on social media in the modern world.



People check social media all the time.



Companies should not use social media to fix problems.



#### **Discuss with a partner**

Being in charge of a company's social media is a job anyone can do.

It's easy!



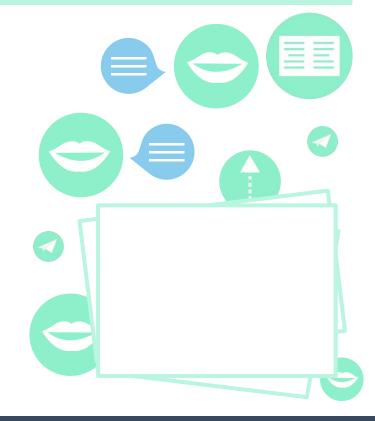


#### Talk to your partner

Discuss the following statements about social media with a partner. Then share your ideas with the group.

Social media is not important. A company should think only about the quality of a product.

Having lots of followers is always a good thing for a company.



#### traffic

**Traffic** is when lots of people are using a website.



The website is slow because there is too much **traffic**.

#### influencers

**Influencers** are people with a large following online.



We paid some **influencers** to show our products on their social media channels.

#### to log in

We **log in** to our social media accounts to interact and view social media content.



You need to log in to the company social media account to post.

#### to lead to

We can use **leads** to show the result of something.



A good social media campaign **leads** to increased sales.

#### to go viral

**Viral** content is content which gets popular quickly and is seen by millions of people.



Their ad campaign went viral in two hours.



#### Talk about the power of social media with your teacher.



How do companies use social media to help them?

followers

influencers

to lead to

to log in

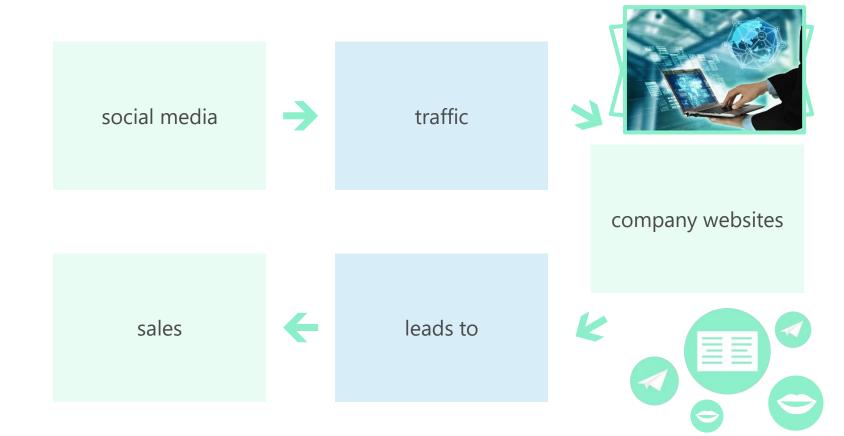
traffic

to go viral



#### **Complete the sequence**

#### Discuss how companies use social media using the sequence below







#### Imagine you are...

...preparing to speak at a conference about the positives and negatives of social media for companies. Prepare a brief presentation and present it to the class.

Remember to use a range of expressions to describe how to use

Use lots of opinion phrases to give your thoughts.

social media.

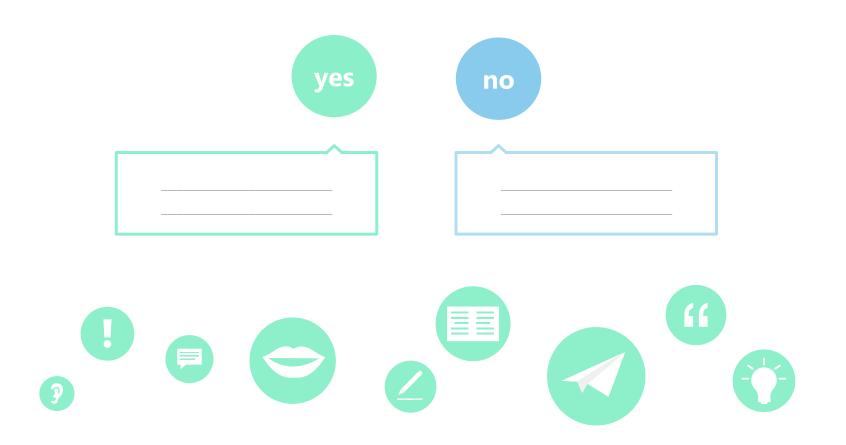






#### **Reflect on the goals**

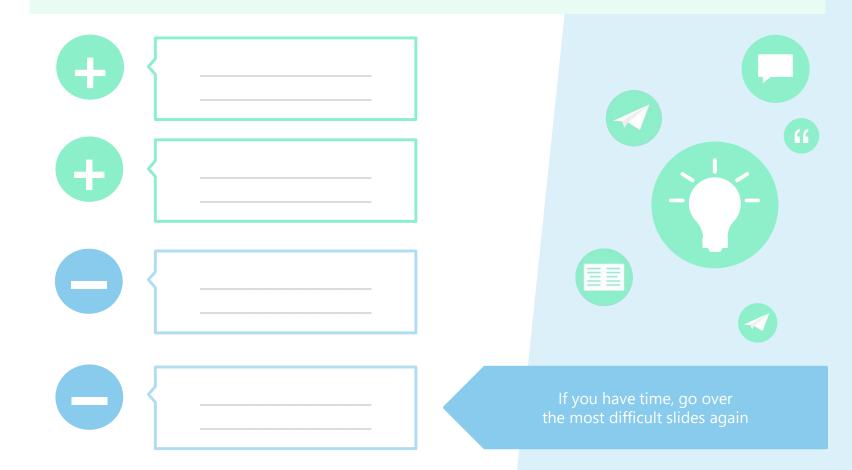
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#### **Reflect on this lesson**

Think about everything you have seen in this lesson. What were the most difficult activities or words? The easiest?





#### **Answer key**

Exercise 1, p11

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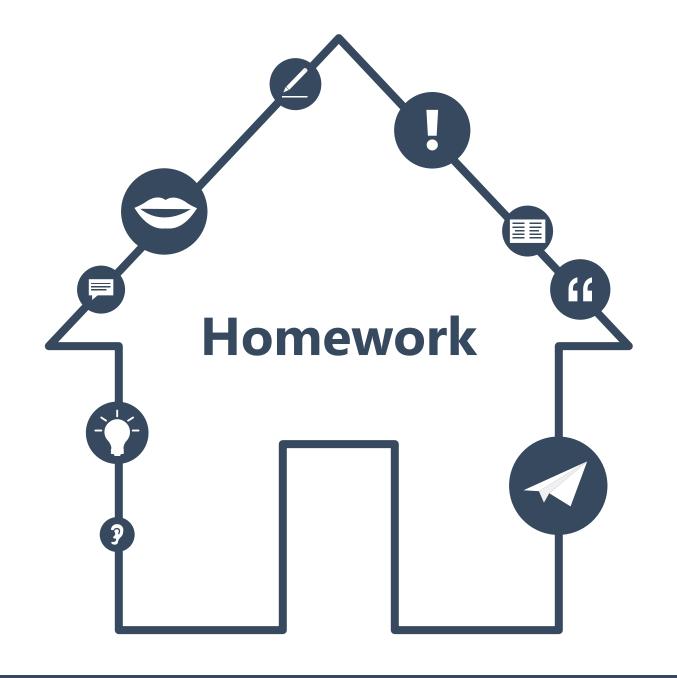
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Exercise 2, p19

Social media can easily attract potential customers.





## Homework complete the sentences

#### **Complete the following sentences**

1. We use many different

3. \_\_\_\_\_ have a large social media following.

- 2. The website isn't working because there is too much \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4. Social media is a good tool to .



### Homework email writing activitiy

# Write a 200 word, formal email, explaining the benefits of a company using social media.

x
To:
Subject:
Dear Sir,
I am writing to tell you about how useful social media can be as a tool for marketing, but also as a tool to interact with clients



### Homework answer key

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Exercise 1, pp 33

Social networks

Traffic

Influencers

Target potential customers
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