

The evolution of technology

VOCABULARY

LEVEL
Intermediate

NUMBER
EN_BE_2411V

LANGUAGE
English





Goals

- Can identify different types of technology.
- Can correctly use simple vocabulary related to how we use technology.







Preview and warm-up

In this lesson, you will learn new words and phrases about **technology**.



My kids know more about my **smartphone** than I do!



Vocabulary

computer

Most **computers** have a few basic applications.



smartphone

I use my **smartphone** to look at social media.



tablet

My **tablet** is great for video chats.



mobile internet

I can connect to **mobile internet** from my smartphone.



laptop

She uses her **laptop** when she works from home.



cloud

to download

We can **download** documents, images and even music from the **cloud** and save them to our computer.



In my office we share our work on the **cloud**. I can **download** my reports from any computer.



More vocabulary

wifi

There is no **wifi** in the forest, just enjoy the nature!



memory

Some computers only have a small amount of **memory**, but you can buy more.



app

I use an **app** to see the weather forecast.



to connect to the
internet

to be online

Before we look at a website we need to **connect to the internet**. When we do things on the internet, we **are online**.



I need the wifi password **to connect to the internet**.
She needs **to be online** to check in for her flight.



Put the steps in order

1

2

3

4

A

Go on to the cloud

B

Find the document

C

Download the document

D

Connect to the internet



Fill in the gaps

Choose the correct word from the boxes below

download

memory

apps

wifi

cloud

1. My husband keeps our photos on my laptop because his tablet doesn't have much _____.
2. Our office has very slow _____. We have to go to a café to use the internet.
3. Working from home is easier now we can all work using the _____.
4. Some _____ are free, but they aren't always very easy to use.
5. You can _____ music from this website.





Name...

the last thing you
downloaded

the app you use most
often

a place with good wifi

your favourite thing to
do while you are
online



Discuss

Discuss the following questions below with a partner



What technology do you use at home?



What technology do you have at work?

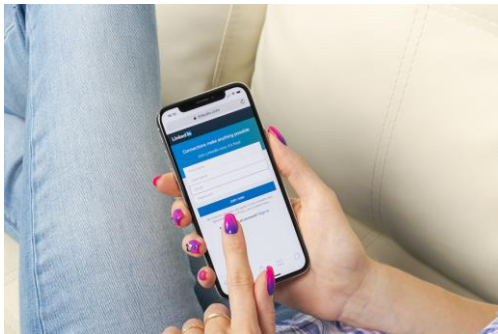




More new words

screen shot

Send the technician a **screen shot** of the error message.



to stream

My friend always **streams** movies and watches them on his phone.



to send files

I sometimes forget **to send files** to my manager.



instantly

Instantly means something happens immediately, so there is no waiting.



On our group chat, we send files and photos **instantly**, we don't have to use email.



Write a text message

**You have a problem with your smartphone.
Write a text message to a friend asking for help with these actions.**

Useful starting phrases

Please can you help me ...?

I need to...

Do you know how to...?

How do I...?

Sorry, I forgot where...

Can you explain...

Can I...?

send a file

connect to the
internet

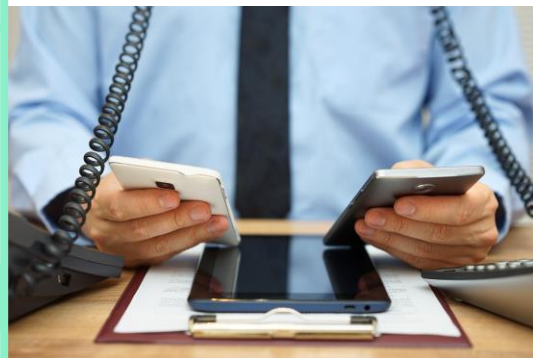
take a screenshot

download a
photo

stream a video



What is happening in each of these pictures?





New verb phrases

to make life easier

Now my parents have a tablet! It **makes life easier** for them at home.

to find information

If you **find information** about a theatre show, send it to me by email.

to keep in touch

Nowadays we **keep in touch** more, we can send text messages all day.

to share information

We can **share information** instantly with a messenger app.

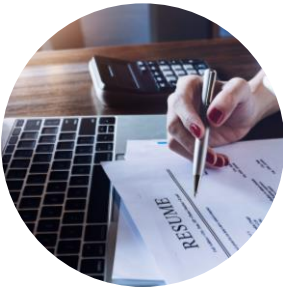


Read the sentences



She **found the information** and the photos **online**.

She **shared the information** with her manager via email.



A word processor **makes life easier** at work.



Read the text, notice the new words and phrases

Technology has changed a lot in the last 30 years. Years ago I wrote postcards **to keep in touch** with my grandparents. They would reply and the whole process took almost a month. Now everyone video chats on **tablets** and sends messages **instantly**.

We have photocopiers, but we don't need them because of the **cloud**. We **find and share information** on the internet. We **download** documents and send them to our **smartphones**. Most things happen on the **mobile internet**.

Think about how your life has changed because of technology

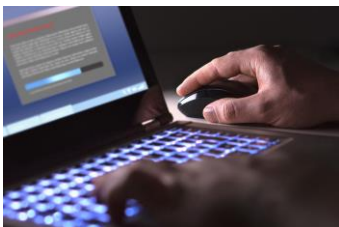


Fill the gaps

Read the text again. How has technology changed the writer's life?

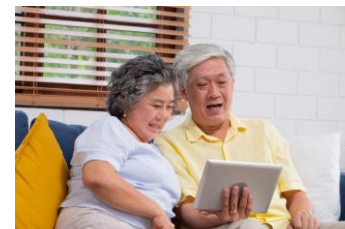
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Years ago, the writer _____ with
_____ by writing postcards.



2

This took about one _____ but
now we connect _____.



3

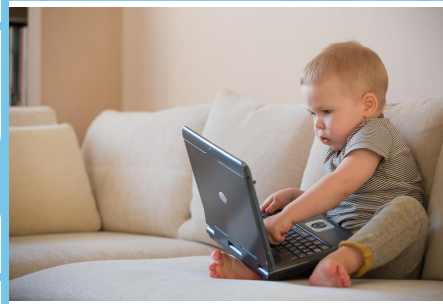
The office photocopier isn't used much
because of _____ and _____.



Answer the questions

1. Which technology has made life easier at home?
2. Which technology has made life easier at work?
3. Which technology has made life easier for businesses?

Why?



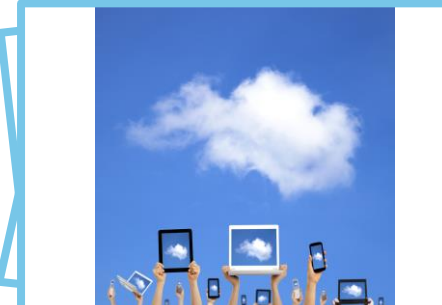
laptop



smartphone



tablet



cloud



Guess the picture

Choose a picture below. Tell a story about it and your classmates or teacher has to guess which picture it is.

mobile internet

download

keep in touch

share information





Reflect on the goals

Go back to the second slide of the lesson and check if you have achieved all the goals of the lesson.

yes

no





Reflect on this lesson

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



If you have time, go over
the most difficult slides again



Answer key

Exercise 1, p.9

1. D
2. A
3. B
4. C

Exercise 2, p.10

1. memory
2. wifi
3. cloud
4. apps
5. download

Exercise 3, p.20

1. keep in touch, his/her grandparents
2. month, instantly
3. mobile internet, cloud





Unscramble the sentences

A

on

and then

sent it

the cloud

the information

she found

B

makes

easier

mobile

internet

my

life



**Write a short email to a technician.
Ask for help with your technology.**

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To:

Subject:

Dear Technical team,

Please can you help me with a technology problem, ...



Homework answer key

Exercise 1

- A. She found the information on the cloud and sent it.
- B. Mobile internet makes life easier.



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