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*Do men and women use the
Internet in the same way?*

Men, women, and the internet

1 Vocabulary & Pronunciation; the internet

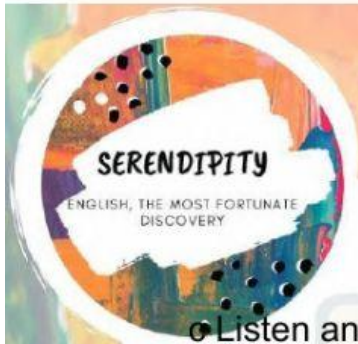
a Do you ever visit any of these websites? How much time do you spend a day on the internet? Do you use it mainly for work/ studies or for pleasure?



b. Look at some words and phrases related to the internet. Match them to their definitions.

- 1 _____ *adj, adv* on the internet
- 2 _____ *noun* sth you send with an email, e.g. a document or a photo
- 3 _____ *verb* to move sth from your computer to an internet site, e.g. photos
- 4 _____ *verb* to move sth from an internet site to your computer, e.g. music, films
- 5 _____ *verb* to type words into the search engine Google® to find information about sb / sth
- 6 _____ *verb* to make a telephone call over the internet
- 7 _____ *verb* to type your username (usually your name or email address) and a password to begin using a computer or a website
- 8 _____ *noun* a way of connecting a computer to the internet without wires
- 9 _____ *noun* a website that people use to communicate, e.g. Facebook, Twitter, etc.
- 10 _____ *verb* to try to find sb or sth, e.g. on the internet

Dictionary abbreviations**sth** = something **sb** = somebody



- o Listen and check.
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2 Speaking and Listening

a Look at some things which people do on the internet. How often do you do these things? Use adverbs of frequency or phrases of frequency.

- ☐ send personal emails
- ☐ send emails for work
- ☐ read the news
- ☐ buy things on shopping websites
- ☐ buy things on ebay/ mercado libre/ aliexpress
- ☐ get sports information
- ☐ visit websites about health and medicine
- ☐ use social networks
- ☐ play games
- ☐ download music
- ☐ visit forums about diet or looking after children
- ☐ use online banking
- ☐ use online maps for directions
- ☐ book tickets and hotels online

b Say what things you think women do more than men and vice versa. Write W (women) or M (men) in the boxes.



- o Listen to an interview with a UK marketing expert about how men and women use the internet. Check your answers.

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3 Grammar; articles

a Complete the email with; a, an, the, Ø

Sent: Friday, 8 July 16:13
To: Carola Whitney
Subject: **Re: Hello!**

Hi Carola

Thanks for your email. I would really like to write to you and practise my English.

I'm ¹ _____ student at Buenos Aires University – it's
² _____ biggest university in Argentina. I'm studying ³ _____
medicine. I live in Buenos Aires with my grandmother,
⁴ _____ my mother's mother, because my family live in
⁵ _____ small town quite far away, but I go ⁶ _____ home at
⁷ _____ weekend.

I love listening to ⁸ _____ classical music, and ⁹ _____ last
week I went to ¹⁰ _____ amazing concert at ¹¹ _____ Opera
House here.

b Learn more about articles.

1 a / an

A What's this? B It's **a** photo of my daughter. (5 37)))

A What do they do? B Jim's **a** doctor. Sally's **an** engineer.

A How often do they have classes? B Three times **a** week.

2 the

Can you close **the window**, please?

Can you check their address on **the internet**?

It's **the best** restaurant I know.

3 a or the?

Let's have **a** pizza. **The** pizzas are very good here.

4 no article

Men are usually more interested in sport than **women**.

She's **my mother's cousin**. That's **Tom's chair**!

Jim goes to **school** by **bus**.

- 1 We use *a / an*
 - to say what something is or what job people do.
 - in expressions of frequency.
- 2 We use *the*
 - when the speaker and hearer know the thing we are talking about: *Close **the** window.* = the one that is open.
 - when there is only one of something: *the internet, the sun*, etc.
 - before superlative adjectives: *the biggest, the best*, etc.
- 3 We often use *a* the first time we mention a person or thing and then *the* the next time because it is now clear who or what we are talking about.
- 4 We don't usually use *the*
 - when we talk about people or things in general:
*Men are more interested in sport than **women**.* (general)
***The women** in this class work harder than **the men**.* (specific)
 - before possessive 's. *She's my mother's cousin.* **NOT** *She's the my mother's cousin.*
 - with the following:
meals: *breakfast, lunch, dinner*, etc.
places: *work, school, university, bed, home*, etc.
by + transport: *go by car, travel by train*, etc.

4 Speaking

Work in pairs. Ask and answer.

I love fish, strawberries, and chocolate cake. I don't like tomatoes.

Tomatoes? Why not?

3 kinds of food you love (and one you don't like)

3 things you sometimes do on Saturday evening

3 things you always have in your bag or pocket

3 things you do first thing in the morning

3 things you did last night

3 things women usually like doing (but men don't)

3 jobs you would like to do (and one you wouldn't)

3 things men usually like doing (but women don't)