Topic vocabulary: Technology

breakthrough (n)	craft (v, n)	manual (adj, n)	primitive (adj)
broadband (adj, n)	data (n)	network (v, n)	programmer (n)
click (v)	download (v, n)	nuclear (adj)	resource (n)
complex (adj)	file (n)	offline (adj. adv)	technique (n)
consumer electronics (n phr)	(games) console (n phr)	online (adj, adv)	upload (v)

Phrasal verbs

back up	make a copy of information on your computer; give support to someone by telling other people that you agree with them *backup (n)*	key in	put information into a computer or other electronic machine using keys or a keyboard
change around	move things so that they are in different places or positions	make into	change someone or something so that they become something else
change into	stop being in one state, condition or form and start being in another, or make something do this; take off the clothes or a piece of clothing you are wearing and put on different ones	mix up	put things together without any order; think that one person or thing is another person or thing *mix-up (n)*
change out of	take off the clothes or a piece of clothing you are wearing and put on different ones	switch on/off	start/stop a machine/light/etc working
		take apart	separate an object into pieces
do away with	get rid of	test out	try using something such as a machine or product to find out whether it works correctly or is satisfactory
do up	repair, paint and improve an old building, car, boat, etc; fasten (an item of clothing)	turn into	change or develop into something different; make someone or something change or develop into something different
fade away	disappear slowly	use up	use all of a supply of something
		wear out	use something a lot so that it no longer works, or can no longer be used

Phrasal verbs

F Write a phrasal verb in the correct form to replace the words in italics. Use the word given in brackets.

1 Why don't you *remove* .... those wet things and put something dry on? **(out)**
2 The image on the screen *slowly disappeared* .... and I knew it was a computer virus. **(away)**
3 Let's *try* .... your new game and see if it works. **(out)**
4 You'll regret it if you don't *make a copy of* .... your important data. **(up)**
5 Have you *recorded on all of* .... the blank CDs I gave you, or have you got some left? **(up)**
6 Did you hear they're thinking of *getting rid of* .... identity cards? **(away)**
7 You need to *put in using the keyboard* .... your details and then press 'enter'. **(in)**
8 We should *redecorate* .... Jake's bedroom now he's left home. **(up)**

G Complete using the correct form of the phrasal verbs in the box.

change around • change into • make into • mix up • switch on • take apart • turn into • wear out

1 Could you send someone to have a look at my computer, because nothing happens when I .... it .... ?
2 I .... my watch .... to see what was wrong with it, but I couldn't put it back together again!
3 Your essay would make more sense if you .... the second and third paragraphs ....
4 One of the miracles of nature is the way a caterpillar .... a butterfly.
5 I played so much football last season that I .... two pairs of boots!
6 In the story, Cinderella's coach .... a pumpkin at midnight.
7 My CDs were all in order and now someone's .... them ....
8 I think they've .... the old library .... a really nice space for children to read in.

H The phrasal verb *do up* means something like 'improve'. Put the following phrasal verbs into the sentences and tick the sentences where the phrasal verb means something like 'improve'.

bring up • brush up • cheer up • dress up • make up • take up • tidy up • turn up

1 Why don't you .... yoga? ....
2 I was depressed all day, but I started to .... when I saw Alec. ....
3 I'm going to .... my French before we go on holiday. ....
4 How could you .... such a ridiculous excuse? ....
5 If you .... your room, then you'll be able to find things more easily. ....
6 Why did you have to .... the fact that Dennis has lost his job? ....
7 Let's .... and go out to that new Italian restaurant tonight. ....
8 What time did Nigel finally .... at the party, then? ....