

UNIT 4 – New Media

LESSON 4

Grammar

Complete the following paragraph with *a, an, the* or *–* (if there is no article).

It is extraordinary how quickly (1) *the* Internet and email have become (2) enormous part of everyone's lives. Not so many years ago, people didn't have (3) PCs and (4) computers were very big objects that only existed in (5) big companies and organisations. When it was (6) new invention, only (7) rich could afford (8) PC. But now almost everyone has (9) home computer and they have changed (10) people's lives. Instead of making (11) phone call or writing (12) letter, they send (13) email. They use them at (14) work and (15) children use them at (16) school. In a very short time, they have become (17) most important tool in (18) world.

Writing Task 2

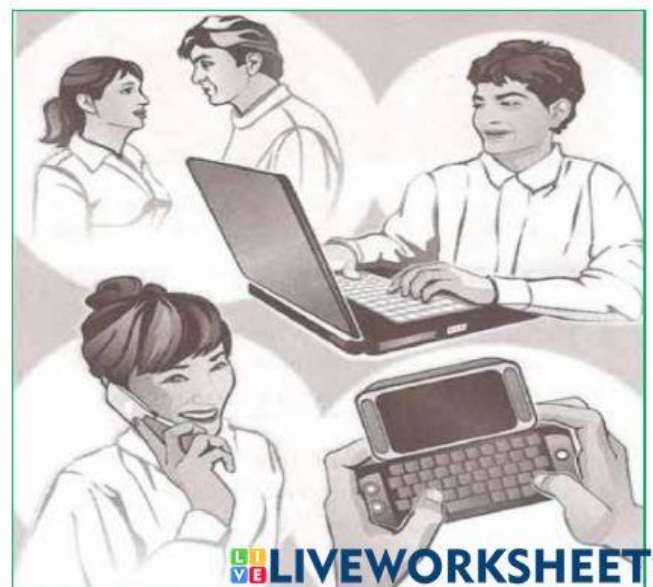
1 Read this Writing task

Write about the following topic:

The use of electronic media has a negative effect on personal relationships between people.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your knowledge or experience.



② What *must* your answer include? Write *Yes* or *No* in the spaces next to each choice.

- A a mention of at least one kind of electronic media
- B your opinion on whether the statement is true or not
- C your favourite kinds of electronic media
- D how the use of electronic media can affect personal relationships
- E which forms of electronic media are the most expensive
- F a comparison between young people and older people
- G how people interact using electronic media
- H a prediction about future use of electronic media

③ Which of these notes for the above task are relevant and could be included in an answer and which are not? Write *Yes* or *No*.

- A people don't speak to each other face to face
- B people sometimes don't read or reply to emails and texts
- C some electronic gadgets quickly become old-fashioned
- D some people make lots of friends on social networking sites
- E some electronic gadgets are more popular than others
- F people sometimes send messages without thinking first
- G people can keep in touch regularly using electronic media
- H some people don't know how to use electronic media

④ Now write your answer for the Writing task above.