

UNIT 12. THE LATEST TECHNOLOGY (2)

READING

1. What can we use very small computers for? Choose the best answer(s). Then read the magazine article and check your ideas.

- A finding lost objects
- B watching films
- C helping doctors
- D doing homework

THE SMALLEST COMPUTER IN THE WORLD

Computers are smaller and smaller every day. The smallest computer in the world is like a grain of rice. It is only 2 mm long. It's called a micro-computer.

1

Because they are useful for doing many different things. Doctors can put one inside a person's body and it can tell them the temperature of part of the body or it can take photos so they can see what is happening inside the body.

These micro-computers can also help us find things. Imagine you can't find your door key or your smartphone. You can put a micro-computer on your key or smartphone and the computer can tell you where your key is. Amazing!

2

They use electricity made from light so they only need a very small battery and they are very cheap. They aren't heavy so you can put them anywhere you want, in clothes, in water or even on an animal.

3

They don't have a screen or a printer, so when you want to look at pictures or print information, you connect them to a different machine. You can't watch films or use them for your homework either!

2. Read the article again and match the questions to the paragraphs (1-3).

- A What is good about these computers?
- B What is the problem with these computers?
- C Why do people want very small computers?

LISTENING (Track 12-WB)

1. You will hear Matt talking to his friend Sara about a technology festival. For each question, choose the correct answer.

1 Hi Kim,

2 How are you? Are you **3** busy on Sunday?

4 Do you want to go to the cinema with me on Sunday afternoon? **5** I want to watch the new film about robots and eat a burger.

6 Love Dana

1 The Technology Festival is in

A the shopping centre.

B the library.

C the station.

2 Sara saw a robot

A online.

B at home.

C in class.

3 How much does the festival cost?

A £6

B £8

C £10

4 Last year Matt bought a

A camera.

B mouse.

C computer game.

5 Matt and Sarah are going to meet at

A 10.45

B 11.00

C 12.00

WRITING

1. Match the questions to the answers.

1 Would you like to go to a concert?

a There's a bus.

2 Where is the concert?

b It's a rock singer called James.

3 How much does it cost?

c It's in the old cinema.

4 How can we get there?

d About 10 o'clock, I think.

5 Which band is playing in the concert?

e I'd love to go.

6 What time does it finish?

f £10

2. Put the words in the correct order to make questions.

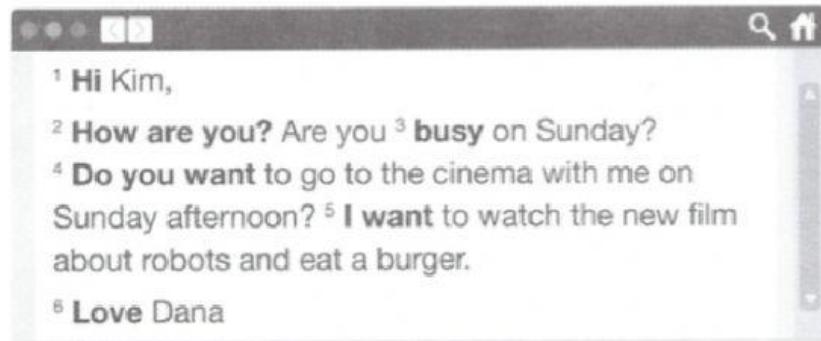
1 Saturday / are / busy / on / you / ?

2 on / are / what / you / Sunday / doing / ?

3 Friday / you / to / would / go / swimming / like / on / ?

4 afternoon / you / to / do / go / this / to / the / want / park / ?

3. Read the email. Match the words and phrases in bold in the email to the words and phrases below.



a See you soon

b Dear

c I'd like

d Would you like

e no free time

f How are things?

4. Imagine you want to go to a technology festival with your English friend, Lenny. Write an email to Lenny. In the email:

- ask Lenny to go to the festival with you on Saturday.
- say where the festival is.
- say what you want to do there.

Write 25 words or more.

SPEAKING

Do you like to buy these technology objects? Say why or why not?

