

Read the following text and fill in the blanks the missing word:

MISSING WORDS

is, includes, show, are, communicate, includes, learn, have

COMMUNICATION

People 1. _____ and share information through communication. All forms of communication 2. _____ one thing in common: the sending and receiving of a message. Using different kinds of communication, people can pass along their ideas and feelings to just one person or to millions.

Communication 3. _____ not only a human activity. Animals 4. _____ through sounds, scents, and acts. Computers communicate with other computers through electronic networks.

People communicate through language, both spoken and written. Spoken language 5. _____ conversations and speeches. Written language 6. _____ books, newspapers, and e-mail.

People also communicate without words. Body and face movements 7. _____ feelings. Deaf people use hand movements called sign language.

The arts 8. _____ also a form of communication. Photographs, paintings, music, and movies can communicate feelings as well as facts.

The first modern humans appeared about 200,000 years ago. They likely used sounds, movements, and then speech. About 30,000 years ago humans started making paintings and sculptures on the walls of caves.

Humans invented writing more than 5,000 years ago. The ancient Sumerian people developed the first known script, called cuneiform. Then the ancient Egyptians developed a picture-based writing called hieroglyphics. The invention of the printing press in the 1400s was a major advance in written communication. It let printers quickly make copies of a text.

Telecommunication is communication over long distances. In ancient times pigeons carried written messages. Before trains and cars, messengers on foot or on horseback carried letters. Public postal services started in the 1500s and 1600s. Since then, telecommunication has become faster thanks to television, telephones, and the Internet.