

Then and Now

Today, communication and travel _____ **BE** fast, and it's easy to get news. But a long time ago, things _____ **BE** very different.

Communication

Long ago, people _____ **USE** letters to communicate. They _____ **MAIL** letters to friends and families. Letters were carried by horse and cart, and later by train or boat. Today, communication _____ **BE** different and letters are carried by airplane. We can _____ **USE** e-mail, text messages, or phone calls to communicate quickly with friends and family all over the world.

My great-grandma _____ **MAIL** a letter to her friend in London. It _____ **TAKE** two months to get there. I _____ **SEND** e-mails to my friend in London. She _____ **CAN** read them right away.

News

Before newspapers, people _____ **TALK** to each other to get news. Then people _____ **PRINT** the news on paper and newspapers _____ **START**. Later they _____ **LISTEN** to the radio for news. Today we can get news any time we _____ **WANT**. They _____ **LISTEN** to news on the radio at 6 o'clock every day. Now they _____ **WATCH** the news on TV and _____ **READ** it on the Internet anytime they want.

Travel

People long ago _____ **WALK** from place to place or _____ **TRAVEL** by horse and cart. When they _____ **TRAVEL** long distances they _____ **GO** by train or ship. It _____ **BE** slow and difficult. Today we can travel in cars, fast trains, buses, or in airplanes to go to places that _____ **BE** far away. We can _____ **TRAVEL** to places across the ocean or across the world in a day. Travel _____ **BE** fast and easy now. People _____ **TRAVEL** for two days from New York to Boston. It _____ **TAKE** 30 minutes to travel from New York to Boston today. I of I
