

Vocabulary 1 computers and technology

1 Choose the correct option to complete the sentences.

- 1 I've bought a new *equipment* / *smartphone* because my old one was broken.
- 2 I think WiFi was a really good *software* / *invention*.
- 3 We need to buy new *server* / *hardware* for our computer system every two or three years.
- 4 You'll need to change your *webcam* / *software* for our next conference call – I can hardly see your face.
- 5 How did people use a computer without a *software* / *mouse* to move around the screen?
- 6 I'm sorry, but we can't send or receive messages today because the *webcam* / *server* is down.
- 7 The computer itself wasn't expensive, but I spent a lot on all the *software* / *server* I needed.
- 8 I love computer games, but you need lots of expensive extra *invention* / *equipment* to make them work.

2 Complete the text with the correct form of these words.

crash create design develop
equipment install instructions test

I heard they had ¹ _____ a great new computer game, so I bought it. I've managed to ² _____ it on my computer, but unfortunately it ³ _____ every time I try to open it. I'm so annoyed. And I don't think they've ⁴ _____ this game very well. First, you need some really expensive ⁵ _____ to run it and secondly the ⁶ _____ are impossible to understand. I think they probably ⁷ _____ the game in a hurry and didn't ⁸ _____ it properly.

3 Complete the comments with the correct form of these words.

change connection experiment
install instructions internet invention
lab server webcam

The ¹ _____ is a wonderful ² _____ that ³ _____ many people's lives. But in my apartment block we have a really bad ⁴ _____, so we can't really enjoy it.

The newspapers were full of news about a young scientist who did an amazing ⁵ _____ in a local ⁶ _____.

There's a huge room on the ground floor which is full of the office ⁷ _____.

Where can I buy a new ⁸ _____? I just found out that my computer hasn't got one and I need to make some video calls.

Why do they make it so difficult to ⁹ _____ new software? It should be really easy, but sometimes the ¹⁰ _____ are really complicated.

