

# Technology

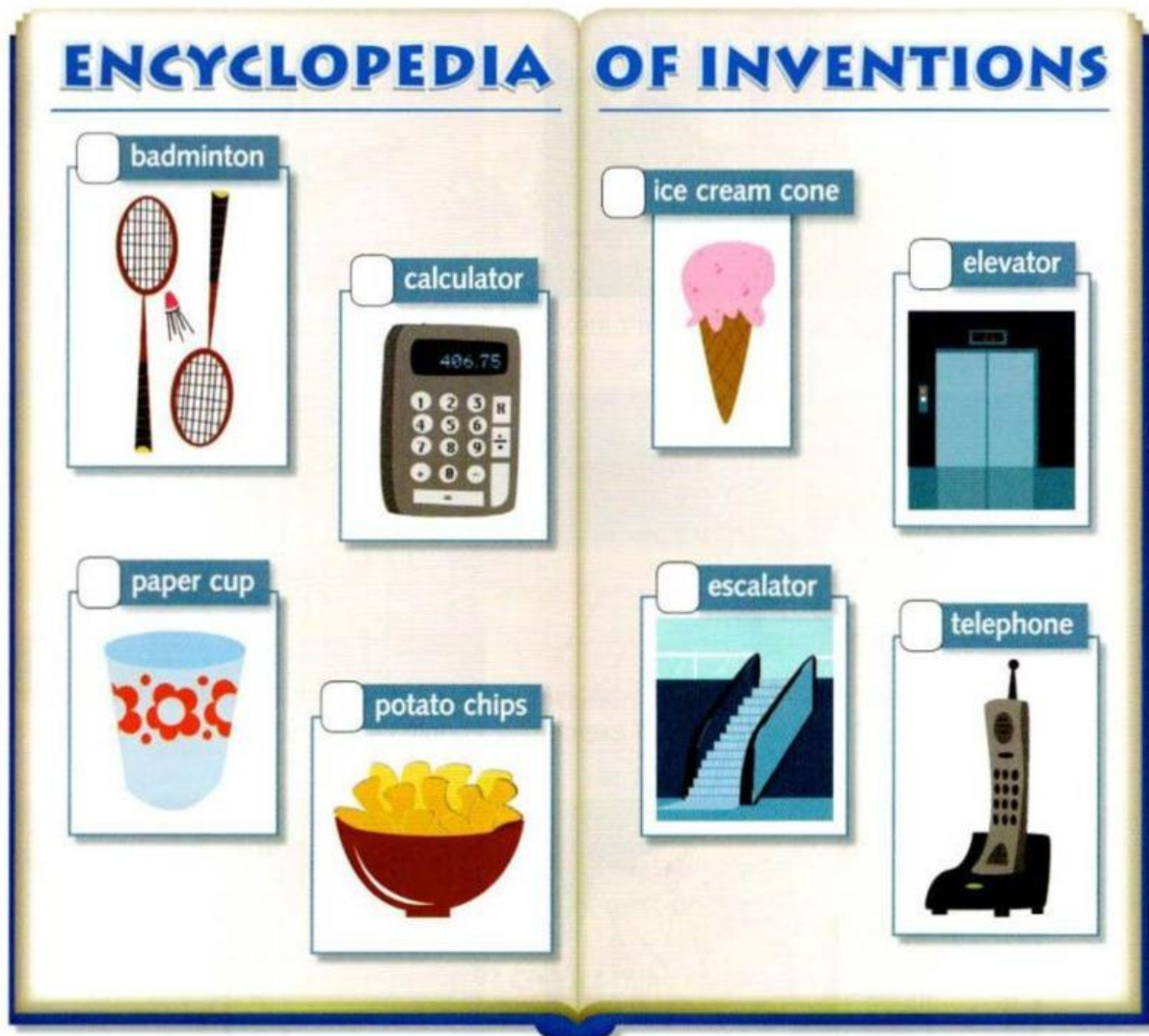
## Exercise 1

Listen to the passage and write down what you hear for each blank. Each blank must have **ONE** word only.

What would we do without (1) \_\_\_\_\_? Would we still be living in caves? Probably. I think there are two main kinds of technology. The kinds before and after (2) \_\_\_\_\_. When we think about technology before PCs, it was quite (3) \_\_\_\_\_. It was all mechanical. Things like steam trains and fridges. At the time, that was cutting edge technology. However, (4) \_\_\_\_\_ technology is really cutting edge. It's the kind of technology that is out of date as soon as it hits the shelves. I love this. It's so (5) \_\_\_\_\_ seeing it all happen. I love reading about what technology we'll have in the (6) \_\_\_\_\_, and then buy it a few years later. It's like buying technology from (7) \_\_\_\_\_ movies. I'd love to live to be (8) \_\_\_\_\_ so I can see what technology is around then.

## Exercise 2

Listen. What are the people talking about? Number the pictures from 1 to 6. (There are two extra pictures.)



### Exercise 3

Listen to the whole conversation. For each question, choose the correct answer.

1. Andy's dad bought the computer from

- ☐ A. a website.
- ☐ B. a shop.
- ☐ C. a friend.

2. How much did it cost?

- ☐ A. £150
- ☐ B. £250
- ☐ C. £2,000

3. What does Andy want to buy for the computer?

- ☐ A. a camera
- ☐ B. a mouse
- ☐ C. a printer

4. Andy doesn't use his computer to

- ☐ A. do homework.
- ☐ B. chat to friends.
- ☐ C. play games.

5. What does Andy like most about the computer?

- ☐ A. the keyboard
- ☐ B. the screen
- ☐ C. the speakers

## Exercise 4

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

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

## Exercise 5

Listen and choose the correct answer A, B, or C.

1. The car will run on
  - ☐ A. petrol or water.
  - ☐ B. batteries or hydrogen power.
  - ☐ C. hydrogen batteries.
  
2. The computer screen will show the driver
  - ☐ A. where he is on a road map.
  - ☐ B. how to drive the car.
  - ☐ C. how fast he can go.
  
3. The computer will also be able to show him
  - ☐ A. how to reach his destination.
  - ☐ B. how much time his journey will take.
  - ☐ C. what the weather is like at his destination.
  
4. The driver will be able to avoid
  - ☐ A. serious accidents.
  - ☐ B. traffic jams.
  - ☐ C. being late for work.
  
5. Parking will be easier because the computer will
  - ☐ A. show the driver how much space there is.
  - ☐ B. let the car park itself.
  - ☐ C. steer the car for the driver.
  
6. The ultra violet headlights will
  - ☐ A. improve visibility by 75%.
  - ☐ B. be better than daylight.
  - ☐ C. improve visibility by 50%.

## Exercise 6

Listen to two people talk about the best apps for travel. Check (✓) the four app categories. (There are two extra categories.)

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|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> safety         | <input type="checkbox"/> packing     | <input type="checkbox"/> music |
| <input type="checkbox"/> transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> attractions | <input type="checkbox"/> hotel |

## Exercise 7

Listen to three people discussing the Internet. Are the statements true (T) or false (F)?

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| 1 The men both use the Internet at work.                                    |  |
| 2 The woman thinks people shouldn't use the Internet when they are at work. |  |
| 3 The men both think that the Internet is a waste of time.                  |  |
| 4 The woman says some people prefer the Internet to sports.                 |  |

## Exercise 8

Listen to people talking about essential gadgets. Write them in the correct column.

| Speaker | Essential              | Not Essential        |
|---------|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1       | 1.<br>2.<br>3.         | 4.<br>5.<br>6.<br>7. |
| 2       | 8.<br>9.<br>10.<br>11. | 12.<br>13.<br>14.    |

## Exercise 9

Listen to two people answering the question below. Circle the correct answers to the questions in the table.

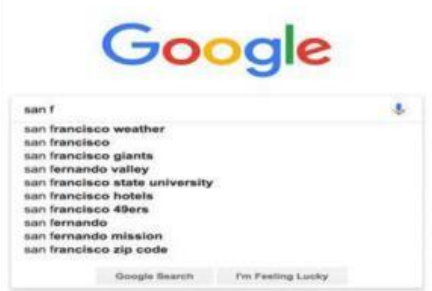
**Are new computer games changing the way we live?**

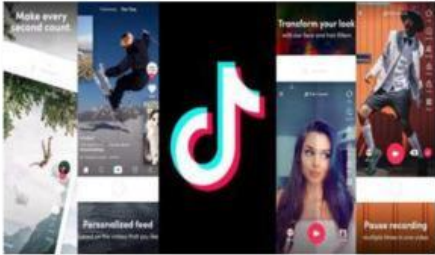
|                                                                  | Robert   | Miriam   |
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| 1 Does he/she think computer games are changing the way we live? | yes / no | yes / no |
| 2 Does he/she use a computer for work?                           | yes / no | yes / no |
| 3 Does he/she enjoy computer games?                              | yes / no | yes / no |
| 4 Does he/she play a lot?                                        | yes / no | yes / no |

## Exercise 10

You will hear a discussion on artificial intelligence. Listen to the conversation and complete the note sheet below.

autocomplete      digital assistant      translation app      social media feed  
robot floor cleaner      shopping recommendations      speech-to-text  
chatbot      facial recognition

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|    | <p>What is it? (1) _____</p> <p>Advantages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- improving safety</li> <li>- improving (2) _____</li> </ul>                                              |
|   | <p>What is it? (3) _____</p> <p>Advantages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- reminding us to do things</li> <li>- asking to play any (4) _____</li> </ul>                            |
|  | <p>What is it? (5) _____</p> <p>Advantages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- writing search queries</li> <li>- writing chat messages really (6) _____</li> </ul>                     |
|  | <p>What is it? (7) _____</p> <p>Advantages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- suggesting things that you already want</li> <li>- making shopping a fun and easy experience</li> </ul> |

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|    | <p>What is it? (8) _____</p> <p><b>Advantages/Disadvantages:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- getting you (9) _____</li> <li>- making us learn about so much things we don't know</li> </ul>                                             |
|    | <p>What is it? (10) _____</p> <p><b>Advantages/Disadvantages:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- saving our time to do housework</li> </ul>                                                                                                |
|   | <p>What is it? (11) _____</p> <p><b>Advantages:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- communicating easily when travelling abroad</li> <li>- being (12) _____ when studying other languages</li> </ul>                                        |
|  | <p>What is it? (13) _____</p> <p><b>Advantages/Disadvantages:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- guiding us through the system, step by step</li> <li>- sometimes _____ having _____ a (14) _____ on understanding what we want</li> </ul> |
|  | <p>What is it? (15) _____</p> <p><b>Advantage:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- saving time to write or speak</li> </ul>                                                                                                                 |