

**9 Write a or an in the correct places. (There are nine other places in this paragraph.)**

My brother just bought <sup>a</sup> smartphone. It's really great. It has lot of high-tech features. In fact, it's amazing handheld computer, not just cell phone. For example, it has Wi-Fi connectivity, so my brother can connect to the Internet in most places. He can send message to friend by email or through social networking site. He can also find out where he is because it has GPS app. That's perfect for my brother because he likes mountain climbing. He'll never get lost again! His smartphone also has excellent camera, so he can take photos of his climbing trips. And, of course, it's phone. So he can talk to his girlfriend anytime he wants!

## 6 Useful types of websites

A Match the types of websites with how people use them.

Types of websites	How people use websites
<u>d</u> question and answer sites	a. find out what's happening in the world
___ blogs	b. share information and photos with friends
___ gaming sites	c. buy clothes, electronics, and other items
___ media sharing sites	d. ask and answer questions online
___ news sites	e. find information on the Internet
___ search engines	f. play online games
___ social media sites	g. post online diaries
___ shopping sites	h. upload videos and music

B Do you use any of the types of websites in part A? What do you use them for? Write sentences.

1. I use question and answer sites to ask and answer questions online. OR  
I use question and answer sites for asking and answering questions online.
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

## 5 Then and now

A Scan these ads from a sales catalog from 1917 and from a Web store a century later. What is different?

### 1917 CATALOG

**DETROIT ELECTRIC AUTOMOBILE**

So quiet because it does not need a gasoline engine. The large, high windows make you feel like you're sitting in your living room! Travels 80 miles without being recharged. \$2,700.



**VICTROLA PHONOGRAPH**

The first thing you'll ask is, "Where's the speaker?" The Victrola has the speaker inside the cabinet! The beautiful wood of the cabinet makes the sound sweeter! \$250.00.



**AMERICAN EAGLE TELEPHONE**

Allows you to talk easily to family and friends all over the country. Available with a wooden case and weighs less than 5 pounds. \$25.00.



### 2017 WEB STORE

**Aethera Electric Car**  
Has autopilot and automatic steering to allow you to drive safely. Travels 300 miles without recharging the battery. \$43,000.



**Big Sky Sound System**  
Allows streaming and plays compact discs so you can listen to all the music you love. Also included is a record player for your grandparents' records and the new ones you just bought! \$299.00.



**FutureNow Smartphone**  
Stay connected to everyone you know by telephone and on the Internet. This beautifully slender phone puts the whole world in your pocket. And it takes incredible photos! \$799.00.



B Read the ads. Then answer these questions in your own words.

1. Would you buy a Detroit electric car today for use in your town or city? Why or why not?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Have you listened to music over the Internet, on CDs, and on records?  
Which do you think sounds the best? Why?  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Although the American Eagle telephone is a hundred years old, is there anything about it that you like as much as today's smartphone?  
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**4** Complete the sentences with *used to*, *is used to*, or *are used to*.

1. My sister used to visit me on weekends when I was in college.
2. People \_\_\_\_\_ write letters, but now they usually send emails instead.
3. A cell phone \_\_\_\_\_ make calls and send texts.
4. I \_\_\_\_\_ have a desktop computer, but now I just use a laptop.
5. We download all of our movies. We \_\_\_\_\_ buy DVDs,  
but we don't buy them anymore.
6. Wi-Fi networks \_\_\_\_\_ access the Internet wirelessly.

- 3** Choose the correct word to complete each sentence.  
Use the correct form of the word.



1. Robots are used to perform (find / perform / study) many dangerous jobs.
2. Computers are used to \_\_\_\_\_ (connect / download / sing) music.
3. The Internet is used for \_\_\_\_\_ (check / watch / write) streaming TV.
4. Home computers are used to \_\_\_\_\_ (play / pay / have) bills.
5. External hard drives are used for \_\_\_\_\_ (back up / email / buy) data.
6. Airport scanners are used to \_\_\_\_\_ (hide / allow / find) dangerous items.