



Curricular English - 4th year

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READING

Look at the reading text. What type of text is it?

- 1 a a newspaper article b a web page
c an email
- 2 Read the article. Match the phrases a-f with the gaps 1-6.
 - a I think that adults need to socialise more, not teenagers.
 - b Is this really true?
 - c I agree with Betsy.
 - d are teenagers spending too much time online?
 - e There are so many things you can do on your computer.
 - f We text and chat and send messages.

Read the article again. Tick (✓) true or cross (X) false.

- 1 ☐ Adults think using computers too much is unhealthy.
- 2 ☐ Adults think teenagers don't spend time in the real world.
- 3 ☐ Lily has got a computer.
- 4 ☐ Lily uses her computer for seven hours each day.
- 5 ☐ Betsy only communicates using the Internet.
- 6 ☐ Betsy uses the Internet at least once a day.
- 7 ☐ Jaz is Betsy's friend.
- 8 ☐ Bob doesn't use the Internet to chat to friends.

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On this week's discussion board we ask – 1 d .
A lot of adults think that teenagers use their computers too much and that this is not healthy. They think that teenagers spend too much time online, visiting sites like Bebo and MySpace and that they don't spend time in the real world talking to people and making real friends.

2 ____ What do you think?

But that's not true! I don't spend a lot of time online but I do use my computer. I also spend a lot of time at school. I think that adults forget that teenagers are with other people for seven hours or more every day. We are with our classmates, talking to each other! 3 ____

Lily, 15

I use the Internet to chat to my friends. 4 ____ I think this is very sociable. I communicate a lot. In fact I create blog pages so I can tell my friends what I am doing all the time and upload photographs. I write my news on the Internet

a day, sometimes more. I have a lot of friends and I write messages to them, and I text and phone a lot, too. I think I am a very, very sociable person.

Betsy, 15

Yeah, 5 ____ But I think she is lucky that she has so many friends. I am really shy and I don't have a lot of friends at school. I think the Internet is a great way to chat and make new friends. It's a very positive experience for a lot of teenagers.

Jaz, 14

Computers are useful for so many things. I don't just use the Internet to chat to friends, I watch videos, download music, share games with friends, I also use it for homework. 6 ____ I think that it is normal to spend a lot of time in front of a computer.

Bob, 16

2. Choose the correct answer.

- 1 Many adults
 - a think that teenagers use the Internet too much.
 - b think that adults use the Internet too much.
 - c think that teenagers are unhealthy.
- 2 Lily doesn't spend
 - a a lot of time on the Internet.
 - b a lot of time at school.
 - c a lot of time with her class mates.
- 3 Lily thinks adults
 - a need to spend more time at school.
 - b need to spend more time socialising.
 - c need to spend more time on the Internet.
- 4 Betsy
 - a writes news on her blog everyday.
 - b uploads photographs everyday.
 - c phones her friends every day.
- 5 Jaz
 - a has got a lot of friends at school.
 - b has got a lot of friends on the Internet.
 - c hasn't got a lot of friends at school.
- 6 Bob uses the Internet for
 - a uploading photos and chatting to friends.
 - b talking to friends.
 - c doing homework and chatting to friends.