

1 Read the texts quickly and match the people (1–3) to their news priorities (a–c).

- 1 Esther
- 2 her brother
- 3 her parents

- a current affairs
- b pop culture
- c sports

2 Match the phrases (1–6) with the gaps (a–f) in the text.

- 1 on his mobile phone as well
- 2 blogs if they have them
- 3 you can't even talk to them
- 4 just a few things
- 5 that's boring for us
- 6 Billy reads that regularly, too

3 Are the sentences true (T) or false (F) ?

- 1 Esther prefers cartoons to news. T
- 2 Her parents are only interested in the news at weekends.
- 3 Her brother buys a special sports magazine.
- 4 Billy follows his friend's news from New Delhi.
- 5 Esther enjoys reading a friend's blog.

interview with **ESTHER**

We asked Esther to tell us how her family get their news. This is what she said.

My mum and dad are still kind of traditional. They've always watched the news on TV at lunchtime. I mean, ^a...., because we can't watch the cartoons on the other channel. Plus at the weekends, they've always bought the Sunday newspapers. Then they spend half the morning reading them, so ^b....!



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As for me, I'm in my last year of high school. I've never been interested in the news, like in current affairs programmes. I've hardly ever watched it on TV, ^e...., like the September 11th attacks. What's important for me is my favourite singers and actors, so I follow them on the social networks, and ^f.... I've also started my own blog at school, so we can all keep in touch next year if we want to.