

9 High-Tech World

Vocabulary

A Label the pictures with these words.

batteries laptop tablet camera satnav microchip remote control USB stick



B Complete the sentences using two of the words in each group.

1 install crash log in

I've just bought this game for my computer and I want to _____ it, but I'm worried that it's going to make my computer _____ again.

2 design instructions gadget

I don't understand how this _____ works – where's the _____ for it?

3 revolutionised developed experimented

Home computers _____ the world when they first came out and most of us can't remember what life was like before they were _____.

4 research engineer process

The _____ who works in my department is doing _____ on a new kind of technology.

5 progress lab test

The scientists in the _____ realised that they had to do a different _____ to find the answer to their question.

C Choose the correct answers.

1 What size _____ do I need for the camera, dad?

a microchips b batteries c gadgets

2 _____ are better than tablets for word processing.

a Satnavs b Laptops c USB sticks

3 I love uploading pictures from my _____ onto my laptop and then editing them.

a remote control b camera c satnav

4 He couldn't _____ the game because his laptop had crashed.

a install b process c log in

5 A lot of _____ has been made in the development of computer technology.

a protest b progress c process

6 Tony _____ with different designs for the website on his laptop.

a developed b experimented c installed

7 We have a science _____ at school, but I don't like doing experiments, I prefer maths.

a engineer b research c lab

8 What's my password? I need to _____ to Facebook.

a crash b log in c install



Ideas Focus

- Do you think satnavs are annoying? Why? / Why not?
- Do you enjoy using new gadgets? Why? / Why not?

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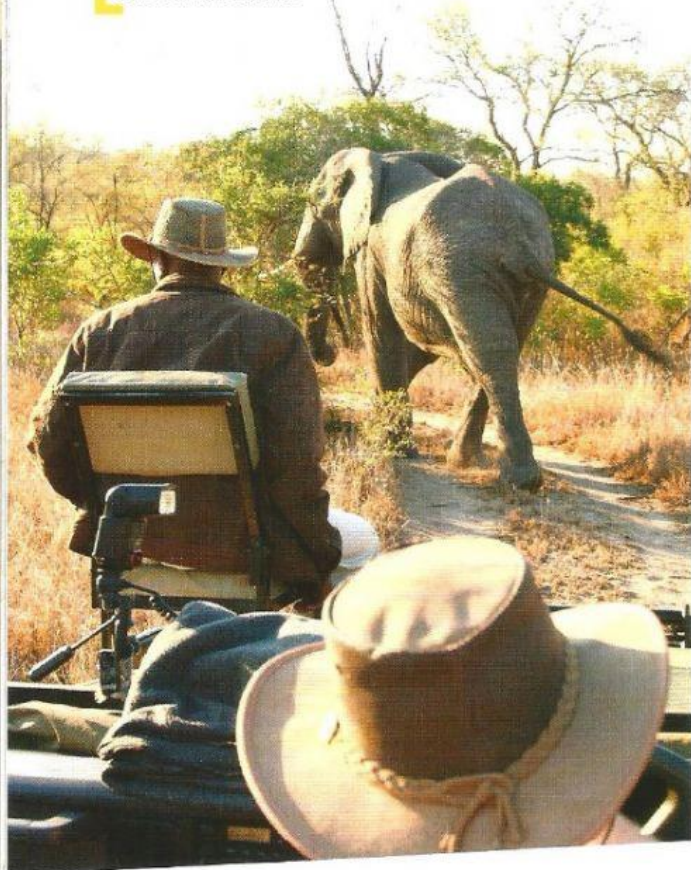
Prepositions

A Complete the phrases with these prepositions. You will need to use some prepositions more than once.

about for in of on to under with

- 1 communicate _____ somebody
- 2 be successful _____ doing something
- 3 come _____ threat
- 4 look _____ answers
- 5 be an expert _____ something
- 6 go _____ safari
- 7 concerned _____ something
- 8 lead _____ something
- 9 rely _____ something/somebody
- 10 use something instead _____ something else

An elephant on the Sabi Sand Reserve



Ideas Focus

B Circle the correct words.

CyberTracker

If you ever go (1) **on / at** safari, you may see huge herds of zebras, elephants and giraffes. But people are beginning to get concerned (2) **about / around** many species, because their natural habitat is starting to disappear and this could lead (3) **on / to** them coming (4) **into / under** threat.

Conservationists are looking (5) **for / from** answers and have turned to animal trackers for their help. Animal trackers are experts (6) **on / at** the animals which live on their land. They know what they eat and drink and where they sleep. However, there is a problem with relying (7) **on / in** them for information: they aren't always able to communicate (8) **with / from** the conservationists because they often don't read or write.

This is where technology has been helping out. Software developed by CyberTracker Conservation in Africa allows animal trackers to record their observations using pictures instead (9) **of / up** words. This makes data collection much faster, so larger amounts of high quality information are collected over a shorter period of time.

Hopefully, with new inventions like this available, we will be successful (10) **from / in** helping to save endangered species and the environments they live in.

C Complete the sentences with correct prepositions from A.

- 1 The conservationists deal with species that come _____ threat from man.
- 2 People have many forms of technology that help them communicate _____ others.
- 3 With this new invention, we hope we'll be successful _____ stopping illegal poaching.
- 4 People are still looking _____ answers to solve the world's problems.
- 5 What will all this crime lead _____? It's a very worrying issue.
- 6 I don't like to rely _____ anyone; I'm very independent.
- 7 The scientist is an expert _____ endangered animals and habitats.
- 8 When we went _____ safari, we were driven around in a jeep.
- 9 Are you concerned _____ the number of closed-circuit TVs there are in the city?
- 10 Batteries were used instead _____ electricity to power the phone.

• Do you think gadgets help people to communicate with each other? Why? / Why not?