

EMOJIS AND EMOTICONS, YES OR NO?

1. IN WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING WAYS DO YOU COMMUNICATE WITH FRIENDS? ESTIMATE THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF TIMES A DAY YOU USE EACH METHOD AND WRITE IT ON THE LINE.

_____ text messages	_____ email	_____ telephone calls
_____ Snapchat	_____ Instagram	_____ Other _____
_____ Tweets	_____ messages on Facebook	

2. DO YOU OFTEN USE EMOJIS OR EMOTICONS WITH FRIENDS? WHY OR WHY NOT?

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3. READ AND LISTEN TO THE SENTENCES AND GUESS THE MEANING OF EACH WORD OR PHRASE. THEN MATCH EACH PHRASE WITH ITS DEFINITION.

- a. Thousands of years ago, before there were any written languages, our human **ancestors** used pictures and **symbols** to communicate. Even with just simple symbols and pictures, they managed to communicate **complex** messages.
- b. In addition to spoken language, all human beings also use body language to help them **get across** their ideas. The use of body language, which includes both **gestures** with your hands and **facial expressions**, such as a smile, is **universal**.
- c. English has a lot of **compound** words for weather. Two examples include *sunlight* (*sun + light*) and *snowstorm* (*snow + storm*).
- d. In informal conversation in English, **reductions** are quite common. For example, *be going to* sounds like *gonna*, and *have to* sounds like *hafta*.
- e. With the Internet, it is easy to **spread** information from one side of the world to the other in just minutes.

- 1. _____ (n) shortened forms of a phrase
- 2. _____ (phrasal v) communicate
- 3. _____ (n) family members who lived a very long time ago, for example our great-great-great grandparents
- 4. _____ (n) body movements to show something, such as a feeling
- 5. _____ (adj) made by combining two or more things
- 6. _____ (adj) not simple; complicated
- 7. _____ (adj) found or practiced everywhere
- 8. _____ (n) the looks on people's faces
- 9. _____ (n) signs, marks, pictures, or objects understood to represent something else
- 10. _____ (v) to go or travel a distance and reach many people