

 **Task 2.** *Work in pairs.* Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of the mass media, and write them down in the columns below.

| | Advantages | Disadvantages |
|--------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Radio | | |
| Newspapers | | |
| The Internet | | |

 **Task 3.** Write a paragraph about the advantages and disadvantages of one of the mass media discussed in Task 2.

E. LANGUAGE FOCUS

- **Pronunciation:** /eɪ/ – /aɪ/ – /ɔɪ/
- **Grammar:**
 - 1. **The present perfect**
 - 2. **Because of and in spite of**

Pronunciation

- Listen and repeat.

| /eɪ/ | /aɪ/ | /ɔɪ/ |
|-----------|----------|---------|
| play | time | voice |
| today | wildlife | noise |
| radio | height | toy |
| newspaper | buy | enjoy |
| they | type | destroy |

- Practise these sentences.

1. I'm afraid you've made a mistake.
2. They changed the timetable at the end of April.
3. I have ninety-nine pages to type by Friday.
4. Would you like to go for a ride with me on Friday?
5. This is the noisiest Rolls Royce I've ever heard.
6. While you're changing the oil, I'll go and visit my boy.

Grammar and vocabulary

Exercise 1. Complete the letter, using the present perfect of the verbs in the box.

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|------|------|-------|------|
| do | be | watch | live |
| meet | have | take | |

Dear Tom,

Here I am in New York! I(1) _____ here for
two weeks now and it's very exciting.

My friend, Nancy (I met her in London in 1992).

(2) _____ in New York for seven years,
so she knows all about it. I(3) _____ a lot of people
and I(4) _____ all the things that tourists usually do.
I(5) _____ a hot lunch in China town. I(6) _____
a trip to the Statue of Liberty.

I even (7) _____ a ball game on TV!

Back on the 19th.

See you later,

Bob



Exercise 2. Complete the following sentences using *for*, *since* or *ago*.

1. Lan and Minh have lived in Ho Chi Minh City _____ 1999.
2. Hoa and Quan quarreled with each other some time _____.
3. The house is very dirty. We haven't cleaned it _____ ages.
4. We haven't had a good meal _____ three weeks.
5. _____ Christmas, the weather has been quite good.
6. They have known each other _____ a long time.

7. They first met a long time _____.
8. They arrived home ten minutes _____.
9. It's two years _____ I last saw Quoc Anh.
10. How long is it _____ you last saw Linda?

Exercise 3. Complete the following sentences, using the information in the box.

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| a. We could not see what was going on. | e. There were enough seats for everyone. |
| b. He had to cancel the appointment. | f. We all wore shorts. |
| c. We kept the fire burning all day. | g. They enjoyed living there. |
| d. He managed to come to school. | h. Everyone is living on beans. |
| | i. The council demolished it. |
| | j. We have managed to get some beef. |

1. Because of the cold weather _____.
In spite of the cold weather _____.
2. Because of his illness _____.
In spite of his illness _____.
3. Because of the large crowds _____.
In spite of the large crowds _____.
4. Because of the meat shortage _____.
In spite of the meat shortage _____.
5. Because of the bad condition of the house _____.
In spite of the bad condition of the house _____.