

**Ex 1** Match column A to column B to complete the idioms. Then use them in the correct form to complete the exchanges.

| A              | B                   |
|----------------|---------------------|
| not be a       | wires crossed       |
| get one's      | the same wavelength |
| be on          | ahead of            |
| be light years | rocket science      |

- 1) A: Eve and Kate really don't get along! They never agree on anything.  
 B: It's not that. I just don't think they \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2) A: What do you think of Apple's new laptop?  
 B: I love it! Apple \_\_\_\_\_ the competition when it comes to design.
- 3) A: Why did you get coloured ink for the printer? We need black.  
 B: Oops! We must have \_\_\_\_\_ because I thought you said we have enough black, buy colour cartridges.
- 4) A: I find it difficult to download music from the Internet.  
 B: Oh, come on! It \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ex 2** Read the fact file about the Internet. Fill in the gaps with one correct item.

- In 2007, the total number of Internet \_\_\_\_\_ **visitors/users** in China reached 210 million.
- Creating an email \_\_\_\_\_ **account/subscription** is quick and simple.
- It's easy to spend many hours \_\_\_\_\_ **browsing/looking up** the Web.
- Many parents think children should not have \_\_\_\_\_ **access/way to** certain websites.
- With a broadband \_\_\_\_\_ **connection/communication** you get fast access to the Internet.
- Soon we'll be able to connect every appliance to a \_\_\_\_\_ **global/whole** network.

**Ex 3** Complete the sentences with the words below.

|         |          |              |
|---------|----------|--------------|
| modem   | servers  | taking over  |
| service | received | institutions |

- 1) If you continue to have problems, you'll need to call your Internet \_\_\_\_\_ provider.
- 2) I haven't \_\_\_\_\_ your email yet. When did you send it?
- 3) The reason why you can't connect to the Internet is that there's something wrong with your \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4) Do you think there's a possibility of robots \_\_\_\_\_ the world one day?
- 5) Many universities and other academic \_\_\_\_\_ offer IT courses.
- 6) Try connecting to the Net later, when the \_\_\_\_\_ aren't so busy.



**Ex 4** Fill in the text with the following: *convenient, chances, not too distant, Web, Researchers.*

### *The future of the Internet is 3D!*

At the moment, the 1) \_\_\_\_\_ looks like a newspaper. In the 2) \_\_\_\_\_ future, it may look a lot more like an interactive film. 3) \_\_\_\_\_ say that the moment it becomes cheaper to display things in interactive 3-D images rather than 2-D images, the Internet will become like a virtual world. What does this mean? Well, when shopping for a car for instance, instead of just looking at a picture of the car, you will be able to climb into it and take it for a test drive down a motorway! Not only will it make buying a car more 4) \_\_\_\_\_ but 5) \_\_\_\_\_ are, they will sell more of them!