Reading

INTERNET DATING: *How is it for you?*



Read the text below, choose the correct answer (A, B, C, D) for each question.

Are you looking for that special person? Do you want to meet new people? Lots of people meet their new partner over the Internet. It is particularly popular in the U.S.A., where about 30% of people meet their partner online. We talked to some young people in Ireland about their experiences of internet dating.

JOANNA, 23, CORK

I am dating a man I met on the Internet. His name is Gavin and he is lovely. We have the same hobbies and we laugh about the same things. We rarely argue and our relationship is perfect. I'm so thrilled.

STEPHEN, 28, DUBLIN

I normally wouldn't meet someone through the Internet. I prefer to meet people face-to-face. I think it's difficult to know what a person is like from a photo or some information online. I want to get to know someone properly, and I don't think you can do that on the Internet.

COLM, 22, GALWAY

I have several friends who I have met online. It's a great way to meet new people who have similar interests to you. Sometimes people can be rude but most people are very friendly – it's great fun! I recommend it as a good way of meeting new people.

There might be some problems with meeting people online, but lots of people are doing it these days, and it helps us meet new people and make new friends. Whichever you choose, online or offline dating, good luck!

1 In the U.S.A. …

a. people rarely use the Internet to find love.

b. internet dating is a normal way to meet people.

c. 30% of young people have a boyfriend or girlfriend.

d. 70% of people are married.



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2 Joanna …

a. has met several people online.

b. has unusual hobbies.

c. doesn't think internet dating is right for her.

d. is very happy in her relationship.



3 Stephen …

a. would like to meet a girl online.

b. doesn't want to put a photo of himself online.

c. doesn't think that you can get to know people online.

d. doesn't believe the photos online.



4 Colm thinks that …

a. it's difficult to meet people online.

b. people are often unfriendly.

c. the Internet is a good way to meet people and have fun.

d. there are impolite people among his friends.

5 The writer of the article thinks that …

a. people hardly ever meet someone they like online.

b. internet dating can be a good way to meet people.

c. internet dating is the best way to meet people.

d. you should try both online and offline dating.

