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Networking: Types of Networks

Reading

2 Read the website. Then, choose the correct answers.

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Welcome to CableStream
the world's leading ISP.

Are you still using **dial-up** and looking for an upgrade? We can offer a variety of networking options to our clients. The type of network you can access and the speed of the **DNS** depend upon your computer.

LAN Options: We provide local area network services in most regions. You will need to connect your computer to an **Ethernet** port using a cable. An Ethernet port is required.

WLAN Options: Our wireless connections are becoming more popular every day. Your computer must be **Wi-Fi** capable in order to pick up the signal from the **hotspot**. A wireless signal could come in several different ways, including: **cable Internet**, **DSL**, and **broadband** connections. While most network options for the home will also function for a business, some business owners prefer to access the Internet through a **VPN**. A virtual private network offers the access restrictions that businesses require to keep information private.

1 What is the purpose of the site?

- A to describe networks provided by an ISP
- B to state why a dial-up is outdated
- C to explain how to set up a new network
- D to list steps of troubleshooting networks

2 Which of the following is NOT considered an upgrade offered by the company?

- A LAN
- B WLAN
- C dial-up
- D DSL

3 Why is the VPN preferred by some businesses?

- A It uses Ethernet.
- B It restricts access to remain private.
- C It provides faster connections.
- D It is the cheapest option.

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Vocabulary

3 Match the words with the definitions (A-H).

LAN WLAN Ethernet Wi-Fi VPN hotspot DSL dial-up

A a place that offers access to the Internet by way of a wireless network connection

B provides digital Internet connection over local telephone wires

C a networking technology that uses radio waves to provide wireless Internet access

D a network that uses radio or infrared signals to connect computers together

E technology consisting of cables and modems to enable local area networks

F a network that uses cables to link together computers in a limited space

G a network that creates a secure Internet connection to communicate encrypted data

H access to the Internet using the telephone network and lines to establish a connection with the Internet service provider

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Vocabulary

4 Read the sentence pairs. Choose which word or phrase best fits each blank.

hotspot Ethernet

1 A) We can access the Internet here because this restaurant is a(n) .B) You need a(n) port to plug in the cable.

dial-up ISP

2 A) My computer still connects through , so it's really slow.B) The that provides my Internet service helps whenever I have a problem.

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Words I didn't know	Translation