

## Lesson 2: The history of gadgets

- How many gadgets can you name?
- Are gadgets today better than gadgets from the past?

### Activity 1 Vocabulary

Match the old items to the new items.

#### Key Structure

Comparatives  
New computers are **smaller than** old computers.

#### Vocabulary

screen, keyboard, light, heavy, thick, thin, large, tiny, headphones



### Activity 2 Vocabulary

Match the words in the box to the correct picture.

#### VOCABULARY

Upload: to move pictures from your digital camera or phone to your laptop

PC (personal computer) camera	laptop arcade game	Mp3 player games console	digital camera stereo
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1 \_\_\_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_\_\_  
2 \_\_\_\_\_ 6 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_ 7 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_ 8 \_\_\_\_\_

#### LANGUAGE TIP

Remember, the comparative forms of *good* and *bad* are:  
*good* = *better*  
*bad* = *worse*



Video



### Activity 3 Reading

Read the sentences below and match with a gadget from Activity 1.

1 It is bigger than a laptop. It is very large, with a big screen, and a keyboard. \_\_\_\_\_

2 This can take photos and videos. You can delete the pictures you don't want or upload the good ones to your computer. \_\_\_\_\_

3 This tiny gadget has headphones, so you can listen to music anywhere. It is smaller than an old stereo. It can go in your pocket. \_\_\_\_\_

4 This machine has a stick which you move around to play the game. Children loved to play these games in the 1980's. \_\_\_\_\_

### Activity 4 Reading

Read Aysha's description of her favourite gadget.

Find and circle five punctuation mistakes.

i really like digital cameras. they are better than old cameras. they are smaller and lighter than old cameras You can take photos and videos, which is great

#### WRITING TIP

Words at the start of a sentence must have a capital letter.

**The old camera is heavy.**

At the end of every sentence we need a full stop.

**The old camera is heavy.**

### Activity 5 Writing

Choose a new gadget from Activity 1 and describe it. Say why it is better now. Use the description in Activity 4 to help you.