Word Families

noun	adolescence	As children enter adolescence, they start spending more time on the Internet, pursuing both educational and social activities.
noun	adolescent	These days, adolescents are used to making new acquaintances on the Internet.
adjective	adolescent	Parents need to be aware of how their adolescent children spend time on the Internet.

noun	eradication	Internet communication could lead to the eradication of face-to-face communication in many aspects of our lives.
verb	eradicate	The Internet eradicates the need for face-to-face communication.
adjective	eradicable	Internet communication has made the limits of the physical world eradicable.

noun	explosion	Countries around the world are experiencing the explosion of online social networking.
verb	explode	Interest in online social networking has exploded everywhere.
adjective	explosive	The explosive growth of online social networking has rapidly changed the way we communicate.

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noun	immensity	The immensity of the effects that online social networking will have on our lives remains to be seen.
adjective	immense	Online social networking will have immense effects on the way we communicate.
adverb	immensely	Adolescents are immensely interested in online social networking.

noun	interaction	Online interaction is very different from face-to-face interaction.
verb	interact	The Internet makes it possible to interact with people in faraway places.
adjective	interactive	Some computer games are highly interactive.
adverb	interactively	Some sites allow users to communicate interactively.

noun	statistics	We can learn a lot from statistics, but we need to be careful about how we interpret them.
noun	statistician	Statisticians tell us that online social networking communities have grown explosively.
adjective	statistical	Statistical information is important, but it doesn't give us a complete picture.
adverb	statistically	The differences in the data were not statistically significant.

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Word Family Practice

Choose the correct word family member from the list below to complete each blank.

These days, many people are spending more time in online **1**..... than they do in face-to-face communication with the people around them. The **2**..... of interest in online social networking is especially prevalent among the **3**..... age group. **4**..... who study this trend report that a significant number of teenagers spend a large percentage of their free time online and that much of this time is spent on social networking sites. The Internet has apparently **5**..... limits to communication. It is too soon to tell how **6**..... this will affect teenagers' lives as they grow up. For now, experts recommend that parents impose restrictions on the amount of time their children spend on the Internet.

1.	interactions	interacts	interactive
2.	explosion	exploded	explosive
3.	adolescence	adolescent	adolescents
4.	Statistics	Statisticians	Statistical
5.	eradication	eradicated	eradicable
6.	immensity	immense	immensely

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