

Theme 8: Digital Era

A. Work in groups of 4. Look at the pictures below and discuss the questions.

1. What can you see in each picture?
2. Do you think the teenagers in the first picture are socializing with their friends? Why/ Why not?
3. Do you think there is something wrong with these teenagers? Why/ Why not?
4. Why do you think the mother in the second picture looks angry?
5. Do you think she is right? Why/ Why not?



B. Listen to the radio program. Underline the correct alternative. (Audio 8.8)

The radio program is about teenagers' *Internet habits / social media habits*.

C. Listen again and complete the sentences.

A well-known American TV channel has studied the social media habits of more than (1) students who are 14 years old. According to their report, (2) % of these teenagers have accounts on social networking sites, and some of them check their accounts (3) times a day. The study also shows that (4) % of the 14-year-olds share all their personal information on social media. (5) % of the teenagers use social networking sites as a way of making friends, and (6) % of them have online friends who are complete strangers. And (7) % of them say their parents don't control their social networking. Of course, this is really worrying. Social media is changing the way young people interact and make friends, but this may cause too much trouble. Therefore, parents should definitely control their children's online activities.

