

# 40 Personal technology

## A Downloading an app on your phone

- Launch the chosen app store on your device.
- Scroll down to browse the available apps.
- Tap the app you want.
- Tap 'get' if it is free, or the price if it is to be paid.
- Select install if it is free, or 'buy' when the icon switches.
- Key in your password or use touch ID when prompted.

If you have a problem downloading an app, you may not have enough available storage on your device. You can manage your storage in **Settings**.

### SPOTLIGHT *launch*

In computing, **launch** means 'start a program'. **Launch** is also used with the meaning 'start an activity' with a range of nouns in other contexts.

- launch a campaign / an investigation / an appeal / an enquiry / an attack

### GLOSSARY

scroll up/down	move text up or down on the screen so that you can read the different parts
browse	look through different websites without reading everything <b>browsing</b> <i>n</i> A <b>browser</b> is a program that lets you see documents on the internet.
tap (on) sth	hit sth/sb quickly and lightly: <b>tap the icon</b> to open the app
install	put a new program onto a computer or device <b>installation</b> <i>n</i>
icon	a small symbol on a computer or smartphone screen that represents a program or a file
switch	change or make sth change from one thing to another
key sth (in)	put information into a computer using a keyboard
prompt	encourage or tell sb to do sth on a computer
storage	the process of keeping information on a computer and the way that it is kept
settings <i>pl</i>	the place on a computer or device where you can choose the way it looks or works

### 1 Correct the errors.

1 stroll up a document .....  
2 tap the ikon .....  
3 lanch the programme .....  
4 brouse the website for help .....  
5 instal the program .....  
6 The computer will prompt you to act. .....  
7 Go to setting to change sounds. .....  
8 How much data storige have you got? .....

### 2 Cover the glossary. Which words are being defined?

1 put information into a device using a keyboard .....  
2 touch something, e.g. an icon, quickly .....  
3 change from one thing to another .....  
4 start a program, an app, etc. .....  
5 a program that lets you read documents on the internet .....  
6 the process of keeping information and the way it is kept .....  
7 move text on a screen up so that you can read it .....

### 3 Complete the dialogues.

1 Did you manage to put the program on your computer? ~ Yes, I ..... it successfully.  
2 Where did you find out about that new restaurant app? ~ I was just ..... on a food website.  
3 How will I know what to do next? ~ The program will ..... you to continue or cancel.  
4 How do I open the app? ~ You just ..... the icon on the screen.  
5 Where are the answers to the quiz questions? ~ They're at the bottom of the document. Just ..... down a bit.  
6 How do I check the battery on my phone? ~ Go into ..... and click on 'battery'.  
7 What are the police doing about computer crime? ~ They've ..... various investigations.  
8 How do I send a message? ~ Tap on this ..... .



### TEST YOURSELF

## B Routine maintenance

1. Don't leave your device charging all the time. When fully charged, **unplug** the **power cable**.
2. Use an **antivirus** program, and keep it **updated**.
3. Remember to do regular **backups** of your data. If you use your computer a lot, **back** your work **up** every day.
4. Don't turn the computer off every time it **freezes**. Wait a while before you decide whether or not to **reboot**.
5. Clean your computer screen by **wiping** **downwards** with a **damp** cloth. Don't let any water drops get into the computer: they could **ruin** the **internal components**.

### GLOSSARY

<b>unplug</b>	remove the plug of a piece of electrical equipment from the power supply <b>OPP plug (sth) in</b>
<b>cable</b>	a set of wires covered in plastic or rubber that carries electricity, etc.
<b>antivirus</b>	designed to find and destroy computer viruses
<b>update</b>	make sth more modern by adding new parts or information <b>update n</b>
<b>backup</b>	a copy of the information on your computer that you keep in case you lose the information <b>back sth up</b>
<b>freeze</b>	When your computer <b>freezes</b> , you cannot move any images because of a system problem.
<b>reboot</b>	switch off a computer then start it again immediately
<b>wipe</b>	remove dirt, liquid, etc. from sth using a cloth or your hand
<b>downwards</b>	towards the ground or towards a lower level <b>OPP upwards</b>
<b>damp</b>	a little bit wet
<b>ruin</b>	damage sth so badly that it loses its value, pleasure, etc.
<b>internal</b>	connected with the inside of sth <b>OPP external</b>
<b>component</b>	one of several parts of which sth is made

4 Is the pronunciation of the underlined letters the same or different? Write **S** or **D**. Use the  to help you.

1 ruin antivirus ..... 3 upwards plug in ..... 5 damp external .....  
2 antivirus wipe ..... 4 cable update ..... 6 downwards antivirus .....

5 Answer the questions.

1 If you **ruin** something, can you still use it?  
2 If you **reboot** your computer, do you turn it on or off?  
3 When you **wipe** something, are you cleaning it?  
4 Does a computer have one **component** or many?  
5 Is a computer mouse an **internal** or **external** component?  
6 If you don't have a **backup** of your data, is that sensible?  
7 Does a **cable** connect something to a power supply?

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6 Complete the questions with a suitable word.

1 Does your computer screen often ..... ?  
2 Have you got ..... software to protect the data on your device?  
3 How do you clean your screen? With a ..... cloth or some other way?  
4 And do you wipe the screen upwards or ..... ?  
5 How often do you ..... your software?  
6 What time of day do you usually ..... in your phone to charge it?  
7 Do you ..... your data once a day/week/month or never?  
8 If you use a desktop computer, do you ever ..... it after you've shut down?

7 ABOUT YOU Write your answers to the questions in Exercise 6, or tell a partner.

