



## **Lesson C:**

### **Online dating**

## Reading

- 1. Do you prefer to date online or in person? Why?**
- 2. Read the article and answer the questions.**

### Online Dating: Advantages and Disadvantages

#### Introduction

Many people use online dating platforms today. These platforms help people find friends, relationships, and even love. Online dating has both advantages and disadvantages. Let's look at some of the most important points.

#### Advantages of Online Dating

##### **1. Easy to Meet New People**

Online dating makes it easy to meet many new people. You can talk to people from different cities and even countries. It helps people who live in small towns or busy cities where it is hard to meet others in person.

##### **2. Convenience**

You can use dating apps or websites any time you want. You don't have to go to parties, bars, or other events to meet people. You can date from your phone or computer at home, during lunch, or when you have free time.

##### **3. More Options**

Online dating gives you many choices. You can search for people who share your interests, hobbies, or goals. You can find people who want the same type of relationship as you do.

##### **4. Confidence**

For shy people, online dating can be less scary. You don't have to talk face-to-face right away. You can send messages and get to know someone before meeting them in person.

#### Disadvantages of Online Dating

##### **1. Safety Concerns**

One of the biggest problems with online dating is safety. Sometimes, people lie about who they are. They may use fake pictures or give false information. You must be careful when meeting someone from an online platform.

##### **2. Lack of Real Connection**

Talking online is different from talking in person. You may like someone online, but when you meet them, you don't feel the same. Online chats can miss the real connection that face-to-face conversations give.

### **3. Time-Consuming**

Online dating can take a lot of time. You need to message many people, and sometimes they don't reply. It can be tiring to search through many profiles to find someone who is a good match.

### **4. Too Much Choice**

Sometimes, having many options is not a good thing. It can make it harder to choose someone. You might always feel that there is someone better out there and never settle down with one person.

### **Conclusion**

Online dating has many advantages. It is easy, convenient, and gives more options. But it also has disadvantages like safety risks and too much choice. It is important to be careful and patient when using these platforms.

### **Answer the questions.**

1. What is one advantage of online dating?

- a) It is always safe.
- b) It is convenient.
- c) It is expensive.
- d) It always leads to love.

2. What can you do through online dating?

- a) Meet people only from your city.
- b) Find friends and relationships.
- c) Only talk to people in person.
- d) Find a job.

3. What is one reason online dating is good for shy people?

- a) They can see the person's house first.
- b) They can get to know someone before meeting.
- c) They never have to meet the person.
- d) They don't have to be honest.

4. What is a disadvantage of online dating?

- a) It is too fast.
- b) It is always safe.
- c) People may lie about who they are.
- d) It never works.

5. Why can online dating be time-consuming?

- a) You need to message many people.
- b) You can meet people in real life too fast.
- c) It is easy to find a perfect match.
- d) It always takes months to find someone.

6. What can happen when there are too many options on a dating app?

- a) You find love quickly.
- b) It is easier to make decisions.
- c) You may never choose one person.
- d) You stop dating.

7. What do people risk when using online dating platforms?

- a) They lose their money every time.
- b) They always get married quickly.
- c) They may talk to fake people.
- d) They never meet anyone.

8. Why is convenience an advantage of online dating?

- a) You can meet people whenever you have time.
- b) You only meet people from your neighborhood.
- c) You have to go to parties to meet people.
- d) It is not easy to use.

9. What is a problem with talking only online?

- a) You never know their real name.
- b) You might not feel a real connection when you meet.
- c) You will always like the person more in real life.
- d) It is too easy to fall in love.

10. What should you do when using online dating platforms?

- a) Be patient and careful.
- b) Always meet people immediately.
- c) Trust every person you meet.
- d) Stop messaging if they don't reply once.

### Writing

1. Imagine you want to make a profile for an online app. Do not write your name. Describe your physical appearance, your personality, your hobbies, likes, and dislikes.

*“I’m 21 years old. I am 160 cm tall. I have brown hair and brown eyes. I am ...”*



2. Put your papers facedown on a table. Choose a paper and read the description. Your class guesses who it is. Take turns.

A: *“This person has short brown hair. He or she likes horror movies.”*

B: *“I think it’s David.”*

### Wrap-up

Are you similar to any of your classmates? Who?

*“Alejandra and I are similar. We are tall and have long hair.”*