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What do you use this for?

- 1 What are these items used for? Write a sentence about each item using **used for** and the information in the box.

- ☐ do boring jobs ☐ store and send data ☐ take and delete photos easily
☒ write reports ☐ determine your exact location



computer



robot



digital camera



flash drive



GPS device

1. A computer is used for writing reports.

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

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- Check (✓) the technology and its use. Then write sentences using **be used to**.

1. ☒ text messages ☒ cell phone ☐ photocopies

A cell phone is used to send text messages.

2. ☐ flash drive ☐ take photos ☐ back up files

3. ☐ weather ☐ GPS device ☐ places

4. ☐ videos ☐ messages ☐ video camera

5. ☐ the Internet ☐ robots ☐ information

3

Choose the correct word to complete each sentence.
Use the correct form of the word.



1. Robots are used to perform (find / perform / study) many dangerous jobs.
2. Computers are used to _____ (connect / download / sing) music.
3. The Internet is used for _____ (check / watch / write) streaming TV.
4. Home computers are used to _____ (play / pay / have) bills.
5. External hard drives are used for _____ (back up / email / buy) data.
6. Airport scanners are used to _____ (hide / allow / find) dangerous items.

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Complete the sentences with *used to*, *is used to*, or *are used to*.

1. My sister used to visit me on weekends when I was in college.
2. People _____ write letters, but now they usually send emails instead.
3. A cell phone _____ make calls and send texts.
4. I _____ have a desktop computer, but now I just use a laptop.
5. We download all of our movies. We _____ buy DVDs,
but we don't buy them anymore.
6. Wi-Fi networks _____ access the Internet wirelessly.

5 Then and now

A Scan these ads from a sales catalog from 1917 and from a Web store a century later. What is different? **Choose the best answer.**

1917 CATALOG

DETROIT ELECTRIC AUTOMOBILE

So quiet because it does not need a gasoline engine. The large, high windows make you feel like you're sitting in your living room! Travels 80 miles without being recharged. \$2,700.



VICTROLA PHONOGRAPH

The first thing you'll ask is, "Where's the speaker?" The Victrola has the speaker inside the cabinet! The beautiful wood of the cabinet makes the sound sweeter! \$250.00.

AMERICAN EAGLE TELEPHONE

Allows you to talk easily to family and friends all over the country. Available with a wooden case and weighs less than 5 pounds. \$25.00.



2017 WEB STORE

Aethera Electric Car

Has autopilot and automatic steering to allow you to drive safely. Travels 300 miles without recharging the battery. \$43,000.



Big Sky Sound System

Allows streaming and plays compact discs so you can listen to all the music you love. Also included is a record player for your grandparents' records and the new ones you just bought! \$299.00.



FutureNow Smartphone

Stay connected to everyone you know by telephone and on the Internet. This beautifully slender phone puts the whole world in your pocket. And it takes incredible photos! \$799.00.



B Read the ads. Then, choose the correct answer for each multiple-choice question below. Only one answer is correct.

1. What is one major difference between the Detroit Electric Automobile (1917) and the Aethera Electric Car (2017)?

- A. The 1917 car used gasoline while the 2017 car did not.
- B. The 2017 car has autopilot and travels farther on a charge.
- C. The 1917 car was faster than the 2017 car.

2. What makes the Big Sky Sound System different from the Victrola Phonograph?

- A. It only plays music from compact discs.
- B. It is larger and heavier than the Victrola.
- C. It can stream music and includes a record player.

3. What is a key improvement of the FutureNow Smartphone compared to the American Eagle Telephone?

- A. It cannot make phone calls.
- B. It lets you connect to the internet and take photos.
- C. It is heavier than the American Eagle Telephone.

6 Useful types of websites

A Match the types of websites with how people use them.

Types of websites	How people use websites
<u> d </u> question and answer sites	a. find out what's happening in the world
<u> </u> blogs	b. share information and photos with friends
<u> </u> gaming sites	c. buy clothes, electronics, and other items
<u> </u> media sharing sites	d. ask and answer questions online
<u> </u> news sites	e. find information on the Internet
<u> </u> search engines	f. play online games
<u> </u> social media sites	g. post online diaries
<u> </u> shopping sites	h. upload videos and music

B Do you use any of the types of websites in part A? What do you use them for? Write sentences.

1. I use question and answer sites to ask and answer questions online. OR
I use question and answer sites for asking and answering questions online.
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

7 Put these instructions in order. Number them from 1 to 5.

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GETTING STARTED WITH SOCIAL NETWORKING

Next, check what the site has to offer you. Don't worry if you can't understand all its functions.

First of all, join a social networking site. Choose a site where you already know people.

After that, use the site's search features to find friends. Be sure to browse through groups who share your interests.

Finally, invite people to be your friend. Try not to be shy! A lot of people may be waiting to hear from you.

Then customize your profile page. For example, play with the colors to make the page reflect your personality. Now you're ready to start exploring!

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Write a sentence about each picture using an expression in the box.

☐ Be sure to ...☐ Make sure to ...☐ Try not to ...☒ Don't forget to ...☐ Remember to ...☐ Try to ...

1. Don't forget to turn
off your computer.



2. _____



3. _____



4. _____



5. _____



6. _____

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Write a or an in the correct places. (There are nine other places in this paragraph.)

My brother just bought ^a smartphone. It's really great. It has lot of high-tech features. In fact, it's amazing handheld computer, not just cell phone. For example, it has Wi-Fi connectivity, so my brother can connect to the Internet in most places. He can send message to friend by email or through social networking site. He can also find out where he is because it has GPS app. That's perfect for my brother because he likes mountain climbing. He'll never get lost again! His smartphone also has excellent camera, so he can take photos of his climbing trips. And, of course, it's phone. So he can talk to his girlfriend anytime he wants!

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Rewrite these sentences. Find another way to say each sentence using the words given.

1. I use my computer for paying bills. (online)

I pay my bills online.

2. It breaks very easily. (fragile)

3. Take it out of the outlet. (unplug)

4. Remember to keep it dry. (spill)

5. Don't let the battery die. (recharge)

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Look at the pictures and complete this conversation. Choose the correct responses.

A: What a day! First, my microwave didn't work.

B: What happened?

A: It burned my lunch.

- It didn't cook my lunch.
- It burned my lunch.

Then I tried to use my computer, but that didn't work either.

B: Why not?

A: _____

- I couldn't get a Wi-Fi signal.
- I couldn't turn it on.

After that, I tried to use the vacuum cleaner.

B: Let me guess. It didn't pick up the dirt.

A: Worse! _____

- It made a terrible noise.
- It spread dirt around the room.

B: Did you take the vacuum cleaner to get it fixed?

A: Well, I tried, _____

- but my car wouldn't start.
- but I forgot.

B: Oh, no! Do you need a ride to work tomorrow?

