



LISTENING

1 Match messages a-d with pictures 1-4. Where are the people and what are they doing?

2 Listen to three people talking about text messages. Which of them a-d do you think they sent?

3 Listen again and complete the table.

Speaker	Sends texts to	Reacts to	Why?
Speaker 1			
Speaker 2			
Speaker 3			

4 What do you think about the messages? Can't see you, I'm busy.

2 READING

a Read the posts on the *Things I hate* discussion board. Tick (✓) who sometimes get annoyed by people who use their phones.

<input type="checkbox"/> Genji	<input type="checkbox"/> MadMax	<input type="checkbox"/> Lars2
<input type="checkbox"/> Meepe	<input type="checkbox"/> AdamB	<input type="checkbox"/> Rainbows

b Read the posts again. Who thinks these things?

1 People who send texts often have nothing to say.

2 It can be good fun to send texts to friends.

3 People shouldn't send texts when they're eating with other people.

4 It's rude not to look at someone when they're talking to you.

5 I don't like people who go online in the middle of a conversation.

c Underline all the adjectives in the posts. Which five are negative?

d Look at the posts again and find:

- three ways to agree
- one way to disagree.

Things I hate

Genji
I hate it when people look at their phone when they're talking to you. It's quite clear that if you're talking to somebody, they should look at you, not at their phone. It's the worst thing you can do if you're with someone. I've got a friend who does that.

Meepe
Yes, I agree. I've also got a friend who's like that. You're talking to him and he starts surfing the Internet on his phone! It's so annoying.

MadMax
Yes, you're right, it's really rude. People go online in the middle of a conversation, and some people also send texts while you're talking to them. I hate that.

AdamB
Yes, my sister does that too. We're having dinner and she starts sending texts to all her friends. It's awful.

Lars2
Yes, I feel the same way. And texting is so boring as well. People say the most boring things when they text – they never say anything important. It's like 'I'm on the bus. What are you doing?' or 'I'm at home'.

Rainbows
I don't agree. It can be useful if you want to meet a friend. Also, my friends send really funny texts, so we have a good laugh.

3 WRITING SKILLS

Linking ideas with also, too, and as well

a Look at the sentences and answer the question.

MADMAX Some people also send texts while you're talking to them.

MEEP I've also got a friend who's like that.

RAINBOWS It can be useful if you want to meet a friend. Also, my friends send really funny texts.

Where does the word also come in each sentence?
Underline the correct answer.

- before / after a main verb (get, send, live ...)
- before / after an auxiliary verb (be, have, can ...)
- at the beginning / end of a new sentence.

b Look at the sentences below and underline words or phrases that mean the same as also. Then answer the question.

1 **ADAMB** Yes, my sister does that too.

2 **LARS2** Yes, I feel the same way. And texting is so boring as well.

Where do they come in the sentence: at the beginning, in the middle or at the end?

c Add also, too or as well to these sentences.

- I've got a new PC and I've got a new laptop.
- We had a satnav in the car and we took a street map.
- She works for a mobile phone company and she knows a lot about computers.
- Tablets are very light to carry. They have a large screen so they are easy to read.

4 WRITING AND SPEAKING

a Plan a post about something that annoys you. Use these ideas or your own. Make notes.

- another form of technology (not phones)
- people's bad habits
- an activity you hate doing.

b Write your post. Use the ones on the discussion board to help you. Give your post to another student.