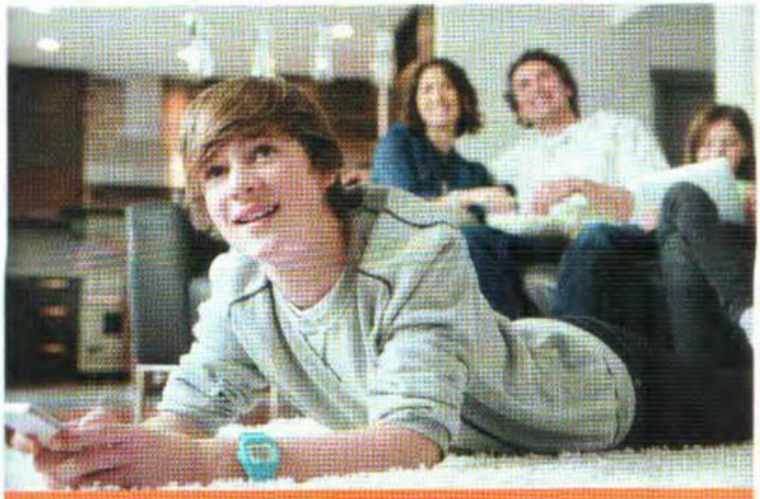
PEOPLE TODAY WATCH TV IN DIFFERENT WAYS



OUR READERS TELL US ABOUT HOW THEY AND THEIR FAMILIES WATCH TV

1 [e]
I usually watch TV in my room but sometimes I watch it with my family. That's good because we don't often spend a lot of time together. Also we can talk about the film or programme and sometimes have arguments! But one problem is that my family often disagrees about what they want to watch! So, in my room I can choose my own programmes.

2 [ ]
Also today we don't need to watch live TV. When I'm out I record my favourite programme and watch it later. That way you can cut all the advertisements – which is great! My best friend watches TV online. She says it's better because she can watch anything at any time! But she gets the adverts!

3 [ ]
My brother never watches much TV because he spends all his time checking different channels. He watches for a few minutes and then gets bored and looks for another programme! In the end he never watches a complete programme.

4 [ ]
My dad doesn't have much time to watch TV during the week so he gets DVDs of all his favourite programmes. Then at the weekend he watches about four hours of shows like *Downton Abbey*! They say teenagers get 'square eyes' but in our family it's my dad.

1 Read the text. Match paragraphs 1–4 with headings a–e. There is one extra heading.

a The right time for you
b A new way to watch TV
c Marathon TV
d Too much choice?
e With others or alone?

2 Read the text again. Mark the sentences ✓ (right), ✗ (wrong) or ? (doesn't say).

1 [✗] The writer's family does a lot of things together.
2 [ ] They usually have the same opinions.
3 [ ] The writer prefers programmes without breaks.
4 [ ] The writer's brother doesn't like watching TV.
5 [ ] The writer likes *Downton Abbey*.
6 [ ] The writer's father works in the evenings.

3 Complete the sentences with the correct words from the text.

live online ~~channel~~ advertisements

1 I want to watch the new documentary tonight. Which *channel* is it on?
2 I often watch TV _____ because I'm out a lot in the evenings.
3 When I watch a film and the _____ come on, I go out and make a cup of tea or something!
4 My mum and dad never record programmes. They always watch _____ TV.

4 Choose the correct option.

1 My grandparents are *middle aged* / *pensioners* and they often watch TV during the day.
2 My brother is a *teenager* / *kid* and watches a lot of children's programmes.
3 *Teenagers* / *Adults* can't watch too much TV when they have exams.
4 There are many programmes about buying houses during the day. A lot of *teenagers* / *pensioners* watch them.

LIVEWORKSHEETS