LESSON 3

GRAMMAR

MODERN LIFE



Today, Robert Evans talks to Christie, an eighteen-year-old student from Boulder University, about her lifestyle. 1.37

R: Do you like student life, Christie?
C: Yes, I do. I like reading books and studying.
R: Where do you study?
C: Usually, I study at home but I sometimes take my laptop to a cafe
R: How often do you go online?
C: I'm always online. I write a blog, I buy things, I watch films ...
R: How does the internet help you in your studies?
C: I find information on the Net.
R: How do your friends contact you?
C: We go on Facebook or Skype. We share music and read our blogs
R: Your mother is a teacher. Does she use technology at work?
C: Yes, she does. She makes presentations for her classes.
R: And your family? Do they work with computers?
C: My father does but my brother, Brian, doesn't. He's an artist. He hates technology – he hasn't got a mobile phone!

Warm Up

1 **Read the interview above with a student. How does Christie use modern technology?**

Present Simple: questions

2 **Complete the questions and short answers with *do* or *does*.**

Questions
What do I read on the internet?
How often [1] *do* you **go** online?
[2] _____ she **use** technology at work?
Does he **work** with computers?
[3] _____ the internet **help** you in your studies?
Where do we **use** technology?
Do you and your friends **chat** online?
How [4] _____ they **contact** you?
Short answers
Yes, I/you/we/they [5] _____ .
No, I/you/we/they **don't**.
Yes, he/she/it [6] _____ .
No, he/she/it **doesn't**.

3 **Use the cues and the table in Exercise 2 to make questions. Then ask the questions in pairs. Give true short answers.**

1 you / play computer games?
A: *Do you play computer games?*
B: *Yes, I do.*
2 your parents / write blogs?
3 you / read books?
4 your English teacher / use technology in class?
5 your grandmother / use the internet?

4 **Use the cues to make questions. Then ask and answer the questions in pairs.**

1 When / your parents / watch TV?
A: *When do your parents watch TV?*
B: *My parents watch TV in the evenings.*
2 What / your mother / buy online?
3 What films / you / watch online?
4 How / you / contact your friends?
5 What websites / your friends / visit regularly?
6 How often / your family / chat online?

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5 1.38 **Listen to the interview with Brian, Christie's brother. Write down the questions for these answers.**

1 *Do you use a computer?* No, I don't.
2 _____ Yes, I do.
3 _____ I don't phone them.
4 _____ We talk.

6 **Use the cues and your own ideas to prepare questions for your partner.**

Where do you meet your friends?
- where / meet your friends?
- what / do online? • write a blog?
- how often / chat online? • send texts?

7 **Work in pairs. Ask and answer the questions from Exercise 6.**

LIVEWORKSHEETS