

EXTRA EXERCISE 10.4

Read the text and complete the summary. Use one word or a number from the text in each gap.

A new study has found that young people are reading less than they did in the past. The study asked young people to say how long they spend doing different activities, such as reading books, watching television, playing computer games and surfing the internet. Of these activities, playing computer games and surfing the internet were the most popular. In contrast, the number of young people who said they like to read books fell by nearly 50% between 2007 and 2017.

Some people are worried about the results of this study. They think that if young people do not read books often, they will not be able to learn good reading and writing skills. However, other people think that young people can use the internet to find out new information on websites. They think that the internet can help them to improve their reading skills, and to teach themselves new information.

Summary

The study found that young people are not _____ as much as they did before. They prefer to spend time on other _____, such as surfing the internet. In fact, the number of young people who said they enjoy reading books fell by almost _____ percent between 2007 and 2017. Some people worry that young people will not be good at _____ and _____ in the future. However, others think that they can _____ out new information from reading things on _____.