

UNIT 12. THE LATEST TECHNOLOGY (2)

READING

1. What can we use very small computers for? Choose the best answer(s). Then read the magazine article and check your ideas.

- A finding lost objects
- B watching films
- C helping doctors
- D doing homework

THE SMALLEST COMPUTER IN THE WORLD

Computers are smaller and smaller every day. The smallest computer in the world is like a grain of rice. It is only 2 mm long. It's called a micro-computer.

1

Because they are useful for doing many different things. Doctors can put one inside a person's body and it can tell them the temperature of part of the body or it can take photos so they can see what is happening inside the body.

These micro-computers can also help us find things. Imagine you can't find your door key or your smartphone. You can put a micro-computer on your key or smartphone and the computer can tell you where your key is. Amazing!

2

They use electricity made from light so they only need a very small battery and they are very cheap. They aren't heavy so you can put them anywhere you want, in clothes, in water or even on an animal.

3

They don't have a screen or a printer, so when you want to look at pictures or print information, you connect them to a different machine. You can't watch films or use them for your homework either!

2. Read the article again and match the questions to the paragraphs (1-3).

- A What is good about these computers?
- B What is the problem with these computers?
- C Why do people want very small computers?

LISTENING (Track 12-WB)

1. You will hear Matt talking to his friend Sara about a technology festival. For each question, choose the correct answer.

¹Hi Kim,
²**How are you?** Are you ³**busy** on Sunday?
⁴**Do you want** to go to the cinema with me on Sunday afternoon? ⁵**I want** to watch the new film about robots and eat a burger.
⁶**Love** Dana

- 1 The Technology Festival is in
 A the shopping centre.
 B the library.
 C the station.
 2 Sara saw a robot
 A online.
 B at home.
 C in class.

3 How much does the festival cost?

- A £6 B £8 C £10

4 Last year Matt bought a

- A camera. B mouse. C computer game.

5 Matt and Sarah are going to meet at

- A 10.45 B 11.00 C 12.00

WRITING

1. Match the questions to the answers.

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| 1 Would you like to go to a concert? | a There's a bus. |
| 2 Where is the concert? | b It's a rock singer called James. |
| 3 How much does it cost? | c It's in the old cinema. |
| 4 How can we get there? | d About 10 o'clock, I think. |
| 5 Which band is playing in the concert? | e I'd love to go. |
| 6 What time does it finish? | f £10 |

2. Put the words in the correct order to make questions.

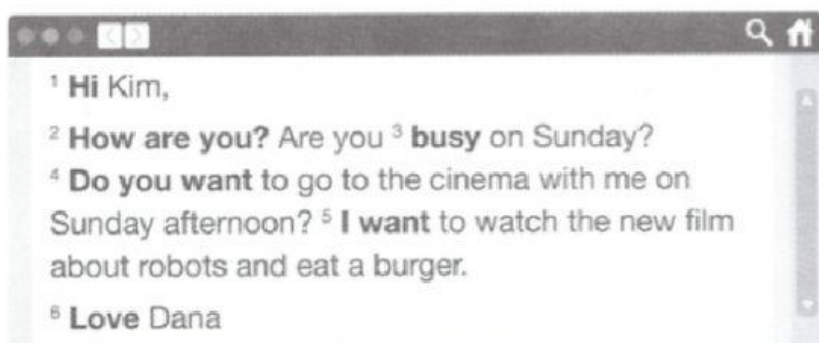
1 Saturday / are / busy / on / you / ?

2 on / are / what / you / Sunday / doing / ?

3 Friday / you / to / would / go / swimming / like / on / ?

4 afternoon / you / to / do / go / this / to / the / want / park / ?

3. Read the email. Match the words and phrases in bold in the email to the words and phrases below.



- a See you soon
- b Dear
- c I'd like
- d Would you like
- e no free time
- f How are things?

4. Imagine you want to go to a technology festival with your English friend, Lenny. Write an email to Lenny. In the email:

- ask Lenny to go to the festival with you on Saturday.
- say where the festival is.
- say what you want to do there.

Write 25 words or more.

SPEAKING

Do you like to buy these technology objects? Say why or why not?

