

Grammar

1 Rewrite the sentences in the passive form.

- Someone is delivering our new computer later today.
Our new computer
..... later today.
- Someone has asked me to tell you about the new classroom computers.
I to tell
you about the new classroom computers.
- I tried to change the order, but they had already sent the books.
I tried to change the order, but the books
- A service company regularly repairs our computers.
Our computers
..... by a service company.
- It doesn't work because you haven't connected the cable.
It doesn't work because the cable

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2 Choose the correct alternatives to complete the text.

I (1) have been asked/am asked by the head teacher to inform you of the arrangements for the parents' evening which (2) is held/is being held this evening. Parents have been told to go to the main hall where Mrs Davies will welcome them. After talking to individual teachers, coffee and snacks (3) are be provided/will be provided in the cafeteria. The main hall (4) has been closed/was closed since this morning and students from classes J, K and L are expected to help put out tables and chairs this afternoon. We hope this evening will be successful and that all parents (5) will be/would be fully informed on their child's progress.

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3 Complete the sentences with the best answer (A, B or C).

- They've just the kitchen decorated.
A had B having C have
- My dad's going to get a DVD player in the car.
A fit B fitting C fitted
- I have my eyes tested once a year.
A 'm having B have C had
- They got their photos by a professional photographer.
A took B taken C were taken
- We need to get the television I missed my favourite show again!
A repair B repairing C repaired

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Vocabulary

4 Complete the sentences with nouns related to computers.

- I've got a for surfing the Internet and a computer. I prefer the computer for emails because of its keyboard.
- My computer crashed yesterday, but luckily we got a lot of the information back from the
- Put the memory stick into any on your computer and you can save information very fast.
- I use a attached to my computer so my friends can see me when we're chatting.
- My computer is far too small and is starting to give me headaches.

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5 Choose the correct alternatives to complete the sentences.

- I've tried sending this email several times, but it keeps bouncing off/back.
- Unfortunately, I lost/deleted your last email by mistake. Was it important?
- Can you forward/reply this email to all your friends?
- I don't usually download/check my email more than once a day.
- I typed in the wrong email address/account and it went to the wrong person. I was very embarrassed!

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6 Complete the sentences with the correct form of these words.

chat • download • print • speak • surf

- I some interesting articles from the Internet for the project last night.
- My grandma has just learned how to the Internet and she loves it!
- I usually spend about an hour every evening with my friends online.
- I can't hear anything. Are you sure the are connected?
- I need a hardcopy of this document. Have you got a I could use?

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Use of English

7 Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use no more than three words.

- My teacher told me to give a talk about global warming.
I have to give a talk about global warming.
- We do not often eat meat in our family.
Meat is in our family.
- You should protect your computer against viruses.
Your computer against viruses.
- My teeth are checked at the dentist's every six months.
I get at the dentist's every six months.
- Someone lost a mobile phone on the train this morning.
A mobile phone on the train this morning.
- Marconi invented the radio.
The radio was Marconi.
- You should shut down your computer when you aren't using it.
Your computer down when you aren't using it.
- The students have put the laptops back in the cupboard.
The laptops back in the cupboard by the students.

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Reading

- 8 Read the blog posts about people's opinions of technology. Match the comments (1-6) with the people (A-D). You can use the people more than once.

A

I think the technology we've got available in our lives today is amazing and I can't imagine what life was like in the past without it. Technology has come a long way in recent years and it's changed our lives in so many ways - it's given us freedom and independence! We can book a holiday, we can work or study at home, we can do housework faster, we can interact with our friends and even watch films and TV while we're traveling! Not only that, but now we don't have to leave home to do things that used to take a lot of time. We just touch a key on our computer and order a meal or book a train! In general, I'm a fan!

B

I'm not sure that all these changes in our lives because of technology are positive ones. Now, because we can get all this information so quickly, we're expected to do things faster and faster. Something that might have taken days to do in the past, like researching a project, can be done in minutes on the Internet. That means expectations have gone up about how much people can do in the time they've got. Now you have to be able to do ten things a day instead of two and to think and act faster than ever before. Sometimes it can be stressful.

C

There isn't often much time to relax and be quiet - to just switch off - because people can contact you at any time. With email, social networking and text messaging all available on our smartphones, we're constantly connected. There are times when that's good. It's great when friends get in touch, or when you need to check the time of a bus or train quickly. However, most times it's work, or people you don't want to talk to that contact you. We're always receiving advertisements by email and being called by people trying to sell us things.

D

I moved to Australia with my family last year and technology has really helped me to stay in contact with all my friends and relatives back in England. I was lonely when we first came to Melbourne but now I use video chat and instant messaging to talk to them almost every day and we can share photos and videos too. I feel that we're still connected and they always know what's happening in my life. We live in different continents but technology means that we can easily bridge the distance in the virtual world!

- 1 It can be a disadvantage that we are constantly connected to everyone.
- 2 Technology helped me to socialise with people I don't see often.
- 3 Technology has created more work for us, not less.
- 4 There are definitely more advantages than disadvantages.
- 5 Technology means we're not dependent on other people to do things.
- 6 It's stressful that everything is faster nowadays.

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- 9 Read the article again. Are these statements True (T) or False (F)?

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| 1 Technology means we can now do more things for ourselves. | T/F | 4 People have too much relaxation time nowadays. | T/F |
| 2 It used to take longer to do things before we had smartphones and computers. | T/F | 5 Advertisements aren't often sent by email. | T/F |
| 3 People are expected to do more in a day than they were in the past. | T/F | 6 Instant messaging technology can't help people stay in touch with friends. | T/F |

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Listening

10 Listen to five short conversations. Choose the best answers, A, B or C.

Conversation 1

- 1 What does the boy say about his new phone?
- A He bought it while he was away.
 - B It didn't cost a lot of money.
 - C He can take good pictures with it.

Conversation 2

- 2 What does the girl want Bill to help her with?
- A her television
 - B her computer
 - C her DVD player

Conversation 3

- 3 What did the girl not enjoy about her trip to London?
- A The train carriage was noisy.
 - B She had to stand up on the journey home.
 - C She couldn't find the shoes she wanted.

Conversation 4

- 4 Why can't the boy take pictures for his project?
- A He hasn't got a digital camera.
 - B The quality of his camera is poor.
 - C He can't depend on his camera.

Conversation 5

- 5 Why couldn't the boy download the app?
- A He hasn't got a pen drive.
 - B He needed more space on his hard drive.
 - C He had the wrong computer.

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11 Listen again and match the conversations (1–5) with the comments (A–E).

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- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

- A I'll have to get it repaired.
- B I can't connect to the Internet.
- C I always save my photos on my computer.
- D It would be great if it had a camera.
- E I could hear everything she was saying.

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Writing

12 Read part of an email you received from your English friend, David. Write a reply to David, telling him about your new computer.

Have you got your new computer yet? You must write and tell me what it's like.
Can you do anything new on it that you couldn't do before?

In your email you should:

- say when you got your computer
- say what it is like
- tell him what you can do on it

Write 100–125 words.

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Speaking

13 Compare and contrast the photos then say which photo you prefer and why. Use the ideas in the box to help you.

- talk about similarities and differences
- say which one you like more and give your reasons



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