

Ruth



David



Amber



LISTENING

2 A Listen to three people talking about planning things. Who thinks he/she:

- a) is a procrastinator? _____
- b) is a good planner? _____
- c) plans too much? _____

B Listen again and circle the correct option.

- 1 Where is Ruth planning to stay?
 - a) in city hotels
 - b) in youth hostels
 - c) in hostels and cheap hotels
- 2 What does she plan to do in Lodz?
 - a) go out and find artwork
 - b) take a city tour
 - c) shop downtown
- 3 What has David done to prepare for his trip?
 - a) packed his duffle bag
 - b) reserved his bus ticket
 - c) written a list of things to pack
- 4 What does he think he will forget?
 - a) his bag
 - b) his boots
 - c) the tickets
- 5 What type of party is Amber organizing?
 - a) a beach party for a diving group
 - b) a birthday party at a swimming pool
 - c) a birthday party with diving
- 6 What does Amber enjoy about her job?
 - a) arranging large events
 - b) scuba diving
 - c) meeting new people

VIDEO – LISTENING

2 Watch the video from 0:11–0:29 and complete Pasha's introduction.

Hi. I have too ¹many friends to stay in touch

² _____ phone, so I use a lot of

³ _____ networking sites instead.

Today I'm finding ⁴ _____ how people feel about ⁵ _____ communication.

How do you like to stay in touch

⁶ _____ your friends?



Has modern communication helped us to communicate better? Look at the people in the pictures and read the statements below. Then watch the video from 1:17–2:37 again and write true (T) or (F) next to each statement.



Sarah



Samuel



Richard



Geraldine



Josephine



Jasmin

- 1 Sarah thinks modern technology helps us to be more honest and open. F
- 2 Samuel says that we can contact people instantaneously with mobile phones.
- 3 Richard is a technophobe but likes using social networking sites.
- 4 Geraldine thinks that, despite modern technology, it's still necessary to speak to people directly.
- 5 Josephine says that although we can communicate remotely very successfully, a lot of people still feel isolated.
- 6 Jasmin thinks that communication is worse because people don't speak to each other face-to-face so much.

What kinds of problems can modern communication cause? Look at the people and read their answers. Then watch the video from 2:38–3:27 and match the six answers to the correct people.



Fay



Jasmin



Richard



Sarah

- 1 It's possible to make serious spelling mistakes in emails if you don't pay close attention.
- 2 A lot of problems can be caused by modern communication.
- 3 It can be hard for people to express themselves clearly, so the person who receives the email might misunderstand the message.
- 4 People often send emails to the wrong people.
- 5 She typed her name wrongly and signed an important email with the word Satan.
- 6 She has problems organising her emails and often sends the wrong work to her teachers.

THE WAY WE SPEAK: The people in the pictures use some common words and phrases when they answer Pasha's questions. Watch the video from 0:26–2:37 and complete what they say.



A

Richard

We do a kind of 'round robin', you know, we each ¹take turns to cook for each other. It's ² _____ us more options. I'm a bit of a technophobe though. I don't use social networking sites, I haven't got on the whole, *kind of*, Twitter bandwagon: so I know that that's there for me to use if I wanted to, but I tend ³ _____ to bother.

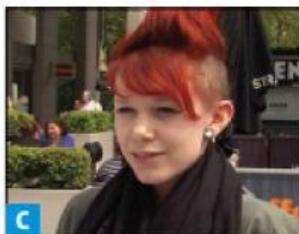


B

Geraldine

Well, I ⁴ _____ to use an *awful lot* of postcards and letters, but of course that's now email.

In theory, it ⁵ _____ be better, but in practice, sometimes you just have to speak to somebody on the phone.



C

Jasmin

My phone. My phone is my *lifeline*. Use it ⁶ _____ everything. I hate computers. No. I think it's probably made it a lot ⁷ _____ as people don't talk face-to-face as much and they just rely on 'text speak' and things, and points don't get *put across* as well if you're ⁸ _____ speaking face-to-face.