

Vocabulary

Inventions and discoveries

Topic vocabulary

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artificial (adj)	experiment (v, n)	operate (v)
automatic (adj)	gadget (n)	plastic (n, adj)
complicated (adj)	hardware (n)	program (v, n)
decrease (v, n)	invent (v)	research (n)
digital (adj)	involve (v)	run (v)
discover (v)	laboratory (n)	screen (n)
effect (n)	lack (v, n)	software (n)
equipment (n)	laptop (n)	sudden (adj)
estimate (v)	maximum (adj)	technology (n)
exact (adj)	minimum (adj)	unique (adj)

Phrasal verbs

break down	stop working (for a machine, etc)
come across	find sth by chance
find out	discover information, etc
make up	invent an explanation, excuse, etc
pull off	break by pulling
throw away	put sth in a rubbish bin
turn off	stop a machine working
turn on	start a machine working

Prepositional phrases

at last
by chance
in my opinion
in the end
in the future
out of order

Word formation

boil	boiler, boiling	history	historic, historian
chemist	chemical, chemistry	identical	identically
conclude	conclusion	long	length
examine	exam(ination), examiner	measure	measurement
fascinate	fascination, fascinating	science	scientist

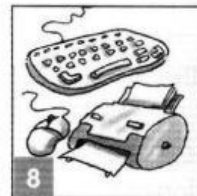
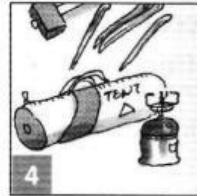
Word patterns

<i>adjectives</i>	different from/to full of		result in
<i>verbs</i>	begin sth with connect sth to/with disconnect sth from fill sth with	<i>nouns</i>	a difference between an idea about a number of a reason for a type of

Topic vocabulary

A Match the pictures with the words in the box.

equipment • experiment • gadgets • hardware • laboratory • laptop • screen • software



B Complete using the words in the box.

artificial • automatic • complicated • digital • exact • maximum
minimum • plastic • sudden • unique

- 1 It's not a/an watch. It's got hands.
- 2 If you play this stereo on volume, you'll go deaf!
- 3 It's not a/an experiment. In fact, it's really simple.
- 4 Are leather chairs more comfortable than ones?
- 5 There aren't any windows in the lab, so all the light is
- 6 Was it a/an decision, or had you thought about it for a long time?
- 7 The lights are – they come on when you enter the room, and go off when you leave.
- 8 Each person's fingerprints are No two people have the same fingerprints.
- 9 The number of patients necessary to test the new drug is 50. Any less than that and the scientists won't know if it works properly or not.
- 10 I can't remember the year it was discovered, but it was around 1976.

C Circle the correct word.

- 1 Do you know who **invented** / **discovered** the planet Mars?
- 2 The number of people dying of malaria has **run** / **decreased** enormously over the last 100 years.
- 3 You need at least three people to **operate** / **estimate** this machine safely.

- 4 Modern **technology** / **equipment** makes all our lives easier.
- 5 We've done a lot of **research** / **experiment** into why people are scared of spiders.
- 6 I'm using a computer **research** / **program** that translates from English into Greek.
- 7 This drug seems to have no **effect** / **lack** on humans at all.
- 8 The experiment just **involves** / **operates** answering a few questions.
- 9 Could you **program** / **estimate** how many times a week you eat cheese?
- 10 Do you think anyone will ever **invent** / **discover** a time machine?
- 11 Professor Reinhart **decreases** / **runs** the computer lab with her three assistants.
- 12 There's a **lack** / **an effect** of phones in this office. We need some more!

Phrasal verbs

D Choose the correct answer.

- | | |
|--|---|
| 1 I across this book about the moon in the library. It's really interesting! | up a story about being attacked by a cat! |
| A went | A took |
| C came | C created |
| B found | B wrote |
| D looked | D made |
| 2 Jenny pulled the handle so we can't open the cupboard now. | 6 the TV off. This show is boring. |
| A off | A Put |
| C in | C Turn |
| B away | B Set |
| D over | D Make |
| 3 I'd like to find more about being a computer programmer. | 7 I'm going to throw these old shoes I never wear them anymore. |
| A across | A off |
| C off | C down |
| B up | B away |
| D out | D back |
| 4 Our car has broken again. | 8 I turned the tap but no water came out. |
| A off | A over |
| C out | C round |
| B down | B up |
| D in | D on |
| 5 Dean was late for physics so he | |

Prepositional phrases

E Complete using the words in the box.

chance • end • future • last • opinion • order

- 1 These toilets have been out of for a week now. When are they going to fix them?
- 2 In my , humans will never live on other planets.
- 3 Alexander Fleming discovered penicillin by He didn't expect to find it at all.
- 4 I wonder what new technology will be invented in the
- 5 Helen couldn't get the experiment to work for ages, but in the it was fine.
- 6 It's so nice to have my own computer at

Word formation

- F** Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line.

Mr Thomas

Mr Thomas was a teacher at our school. He'd trained as a (1) and usually taught history. He definitely wasn't a (2), but for some strange reason he taught us (3) for a term. His lessons were always (4), but that was mainly because his experiments always went wrong! If he was supposed to use (5) water for an experiment, Mr Thomas would use cold water by mistake. Once, he was measuring the (6) of some pieces of sodium. I can't remember exactly why he needed this (7), but I think he wanted all the pieces to react (8) As he picked up the ruler, his arm knocked over a jug of water and the sodium caught fire. He almost burnt the lab down and they had to call the fire brigade. I think after that Mr Thomas came to the (9) that he should stick to history! I learnt a lot from him, though. Whenever there was a question in a science (10) about what happens when sodium reacts with water, I always got the answer right!

HISTORY
SCIENCE
CHEMIST
FASCINATE
BOIL

LONG
MEASURE
IDENTICAL

CONCLUDE
EXAMINE

Word patterns

- G** Match to make sentences.

- | | | |
|------------------------------|-------|---|
| 1 What's the difference | | A in us having to call the fire brigade. |
| 2 This box is full | | B to that piece of equipment over there. |
| 3 This resulted | | C about how to do this experiment. |
| 4 Connect this cable | | D between H ₂ O and H ₂ SO ₄ ? |
| 5 I've had an idea | | E with water? |
| 6 Could you fill this bottle | | F of old camping equipment. |

- H** Write one word in each gap.

- This program is very different the one you're using at the moment.
- Let's begin the lesson a short test on the names of the different parts of an insect.
- Disconnect your PC the power supply before you take the case off.
- There are a number different ways of doing this experiment.
- How many types building can you think of?
- What were your reasons choosing to do biology at university?