

Internet Craze

Vocabulary:

blog .com download .edu e-mail FAQ HTTP (hypertext transfer protocol)
Intranet link login password PDF(portable document format)
search engine spam upload virus www wi-fi

- 1) What is the Internet?
- 2) How does it work?
- 3) What do you use the Internet for?
- 4) How often do you use it?
- 5) What annoys you about the Internet?
- 6) Are you addicted to the Internet?
- 7) What do you think of social networking sites like Facebook?
- 8) Can you remember the first time you used the Internet?
- 9) How would your life be different without the Internet?
- 10) What's the best thing about the Internet?
- 11) What is your favourite Internet site?
- 12) What do you think of the idea of Internet shopping or online dating?

What do you think about the following statements?

The use of the Internet around the world is doubling every few months.
It is too difficult to use the Internet and computers, most people do not have the patience.
The Internet has already changed the way we communicate.
Business has invested billions in the Internet.
People want to go out and meet other people when they do their shopping.
The Internet is becoming faster all the time; you can already watch video or listen to Mp3s via the Internet.
Reading on a computer screen is uncomfortable and people will never stop wanting to read, listen to music and be entertained in traditional ways.
Many people now live at home and work via the Internet.
The Internet has created unlimited new business opportunities
Most people use email instead of writing letters to keep in touch with their friends.
The Internet is still very young.
The only real interaction between people must take place face to face, not 'virtually'.
The Internet is mainly used by teenagers and other people who have lots of time to waste.

Fill in the gaps, use this words: delete, forwards, log in, log off, mail, messages, reply

I have to admit that I'm addicted to e-mail. Whenever I get home, I _____ and check to see if I've gotten any new _____. I even enjoy reading _____ of jokes and stories. I usually read all my new messages before I _____. A lot of times I'll send an immediate _____. I've had to create a lot of folders to store all the messages I've received. I don't want to _____ them, because you never know when you might want to read them again. I mean, maybe one day you don't get any new _____. If that's the case, you're glad to have all the old ones to look at. If you're also addicted to e-mail, I'm sure you can understand.

- Who uses the Internet the most in your family?
- What are some security issues you must think about when you access the Internet?
- Have you ever bought something using the Internet?
- How can the Internet be improved?
- Do you think our lives have been improved by the Internet?
- Do men and women use the Internet for different purposes?
- Do you use the Internet for fun or education?
- Do you access the Internet from your mobile phone?
- Do you have more many e-mail addresses?
- Why do you need more than one e-mail address?
- Have you ever chatted on the Internet?
- Do you think governments have the right to censor the Internet?
- Can you believe all the information that is published (available) on the Internet?
- Do you think that people should put photos of their friends onto the Internet?
- Why is it a good idea to have books and magazines published on the Internet?
- Do you think that the Internet will replace Libraries?
- Do you think that online banking (being able to do most of your banking by the Internet and ATM machines) will become popular in all countries? What is a disadvantage of this?
- Do you think that some people spend too much time on the Internet and does this stop them from seeing their friends? Why?
- Do you think that having Internet access is mainly for rich people? Will poor people be disadvantaged?
- Do you think that the Internet usage is an anti-social activity?
- Search engine are used to find information. Do you think that they always give you the best sites or do they give you sites that pay money in order to be on the top of the list?
- What is copyright? How do we break copyright law on the Internet?