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\* easy to do\*\* a bit harder\*\*\* extra challenge

# **Vocabulary**

**Operating machines** 

1 Complete the sentences with the words below.

digital camera \( \square \) console hairdryer flat screen answering machine alarm clock MP3 player

- 1 I bought a new <u>digital camera</u> to take pictures on holiday.
- 2 Anna always listens to her \_\_\_\_\_ when she goes running.
- 3 I need an \_\_\_\_\_\_ to wake me up in the morning.
- 4 Leave a message on the \_\_\_\_\_\_ if Pete's not at home.
- 5 Alex has got a modern TV it's a \_\_\_\_\_TV.
- 6 My \_\_\_\_\_ has broken, so I can't dry my hair.
- 7 We need a games \_\_\_\_\_\_ for this new game.
- 2 Read the descriptions of gadgets from exercise 1. What are they?

You plug it in to the TV and press buttons or use the controls to play.

games console

lt's got batteries, but it doesn't have a charger. It hasn't got a control button for volume and it's very loud! You have to set the time. I switch it on every night and it helps me wake up!

It's got a battery and it has a menu. You don't use a remote control to switch it on and off, you just press a button. Some people have one on their mobile phone, but I don't.

It hasn't got any batteries. You plug it in and use a remote control to switch it on and off. You watch things on it. You can select from the menu, but you can't record messages.

#### **Grammar**

Relative clauses

- 3 \* <u>Underline</u> the correct relative pronoun to complete the sentences.
  - 1 A teacher is someone *which/who/where* helps students to learn about different subjects.
  - 2 A radio is a machine *that/who/where* allows us to listen to different programmes and music.
  - **3** A football stadium is a place *who/which/where* footballers play matches.
  - 4 An encyclopedia is a book *that/who/where* we can find information on almost everything.
  - 5 An actor is a person *that/where/which* appears in films
  - **6** A school is a place *which/where/who* students go to learn.
- Read and complete the text about underwater MP3 players with which, where, that or who.

# **Underwater** music

This is a fantastic gadget for people 1 who love swimming and listening to music. The people 2 invented it wanted to give swimmers a gadget 3 allowed them to listen to their favourite songs under water. Now swimmers can listen to music in places 4 it was impossible to listen before, such as in the sea or at the bottom of a pool. In 2007 the company developed a more advanced product 5 makes the music sound even better. It sends special sound waves 6 give very clear sound to the ear. The underwater MP3 player is now used by more than 35,000 people 7 never go swimming without it.



5	<b>*</b>	·* Match phrases 1–6 with phrases a–f. Then add who,
		hich or where to form complete sentences.
/	<i>,</i> 1	An Internet café is a place where
	2	A washing machine is a gadget
	3	A calculator is a machine
	4	An IT consultant is someone
	5	A meeting point is a place
	6	An inventor is a person
	а	likes creating new gadgets.
7		people can go to use computers.
		saves time cleaning dirty clothes.
		people usually meet at airports or other big buildings.
		can help you to do Maths.
	_	• •
_	f	solves problems with computer programmes.
6		Use the prompts to make sentences.
	1	a telescope/piece of scientific equipment/allows us to
		see the stars clearly.
		A telescope is a piece of scientific equipment
	_	which allows us to see the stars clearly.
	2	a plane/a type of transport/allows us to travel quickly between countries
		between countries
	3	a bicycle/a type of transport/doesn't use any fuel
	4	a beach/a place/we go to sunbathe and relax
	5	an astronaut/person/travels into space
	6	an MP3 player/a gadget/allows us to keep a lot of music in a small space
7		Join the sentences using the correct relative ronoun. Make any necessary changes.
	1	That's the boy. He's in my class at school.
	•	That's the boy who is in my class at school.
	2	A scientist is a person. He/She does experiments.
	_	A scientist is a person. He/she does experiments.
	3	A hairdryer is a gadget. It dries wet hair.
	4	That's Mr Rad. He's a teacher in my school.
	5	A hot spot is a place. People go there to connect their
	ر	computer to the Internet.
	6	A computer mouse is a thing. It lets you move around the computer screen.

#### **Grammar reference**

#### **Relative clauses**

We use relative clauses to put more information in a sentence. We can join two shorter sentences together, using a relative pronoun.

The Japanese have invented a robot. It can tidy your bedroom.

The Japanese have invented a robot **which** can tidy your bedroom.

I've got fifty pounds. My grandmother sent it for my birthday.

I've got fifty pounds **that** my grandmother sent for my birthday.

#### Relative pronouns: which, that, who, where

• Use which and that for things.

A lawnmower is a machine **which/that** cuts the grass.

Adam's got a really expensive phone which/that his uncle gave him.

• Use *who* and *that* for people.

A babysitter is someone **who/that** looks after kids.

That's the boy **who/that** Alice likes very much.

• Use *where* for places.

This is the house **where** I grew up. At the weekend, we went to a shop **where** they sell cheap TVs.

# **Vocabulary**

#### **Gadgets**

1 Complete the descriptions with the names of the gadgets.









# **2** Complete the sentences with the phrases below.

ı	easy to carry	go wrong	can't live without
ı	_ digital junkies	breaks do	own <b>√</b>
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- 1 I hate it when my computer <u>breaks down</u>. I can't email any of my friends.
- 2 I love my new digital camera. It's really small and \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 My brother \_\_\_\_\_ his computer games. He plays for hours every day.
- **4** My father hates all electronic gadgets. He says that we are a generation of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 When alarm clocks and computers \_\_\_\_\_ they cause lots and lots of problems.

#### Grammar

#### First conditional

# 3 \* Match 1–6 with a–f to form complete sentences.

- 1 Lisa will miss the train
- 2 Liam will sing his favourite song
- 3 If you don't want to go to the club,
- 4 If Ben and Martin don't go to camp this summer,
- 5 Martin will tell Ruth about the party
- **6** If they don't buy the tickets for the concert now,
- **a** they won't see Maggie this year.
- **b** if she doesn't leave soon.
- **c** if he sees her this afternoon.
- **d** there won't be any tickets left.
- **e** if he goes to the karaoke competition.
- f you'll have to tell Pete by 6 p.m.

# 4 \*\* Underline the correct words to complete the sentences.

- 1 If schools <u>make</u>/will make uniforms obligatory, students <u>concentrate/will concentrate</u> more on their lessons and not on their clothes.
- 2 If you study/will study hard, you pass/will pass the exam.
- 3 | buy/'ll buy a new iPod if | go/'ll go into town on Saturday.
- 4 If they don't go/won't go away at the weekend, they go/will go to the cinema on Sunday.
- 5 What do you do/will you do if John doesn't phone/won't phone?
- **6** They *don't go/won't go* for a walk if the weather *isn't/won't be* good.

# 5 \*\* Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense.

	If the restaurant <u>doesn't have</u> (not have)
	pizza, l <u>'// order</u> (order) a hamburger.
2	Julia (buy) a new CD if she
	(go) into town on Saturday.
3	Richard and Matt (not go) to
	university if they (not pass) their
	exams.
ŀ	If it (rain) tomorrow, we
	(not go) on a picnic.
5	(Colin/be) happy if he
	(win) the race?
5	Isabel (not meet) David this
	evening if he (not phone) her

before 5 p.m.

6	*** Complete the sentences about yourself.					
1		If the weather is bad this weekend, <i>I'll watch</i>				
		DVDs all weekend.				

2 If I get some money for my next birthday, I

3 If my best friend isn't happy, I

4 If it's good weather next week, I

5 If there isn't anything interesting on TV tonight, I \_\_\_\_\_

6 If I get a lot of homework this week, I

# **7** \*\* Rewrite the sentences with the same meaning using the words in brackets.

1 I'll finish this exercise, then I'll phone Joanne. (after)

I'll phone Joanne after I finish this exercise.

2 Sam will have dinner. Then he'll watch his favourite TV programme (before)

3 Mark will finish his homework. Then he'll go out with his friends. (when)

**4** Rosa will tidy her bedroom. Then she'll go out to the disco. (after)

**5** We'll finish class. Then we will go to the sports centre. (when)

**6** I play my computer game but I'll study for another hour first. (before)

#### Grammar Plus: if vs when

#### 8 \*\* Complete the sentences with *if* or *when*.

1 I'll go to the supermarket now. I'll make lunch when I get back from the supermarket.

2 I might see Jackie later. I'll give Jackie your message \_\_\_\_\_ I see her.

3 We might be tired tonight. We'll go to the sports centre \_\_\_\_\_ we all feel okay.

**4** John is arriving at 11 a.m. I'll phone you \_\_\_\_\_\_ John arrives.

5 I'll finish my homework first. I'll watch TV \_\_\_\_\_ I finish my homework.

6 It's possible they may see Tom at the party. They'll talk to Tom \_\_\_\_\_ they see him at the party.

#### **Grammar reference**

#### First conditional

We use the first conditional to talk about a possible future situation. But after *if* we use the present tense, not the future.

#### Form

Condition  If + present simple	Result will/won't + infinitive without to
If I <b>have</b> time,	I <b>will ('ll) call</b> you tonight.
If you <b>don't</b> tell me,	I <b>will ('II)</b> be upset.
If Anna <b>passes</b> her exams,	she <b>will ('II) start</b> university in the autumn.
If he doesn't eat his lunch,	he will not (won't) get any sweets.
If I <b>help</b> you with Maths,	<b>will</b> you <b>help</b> me with English?

If can go at the beginning or in the middle of the sentence. When we put the *if* clause first, we use a comma (,) to separate the two clauses.

*If* it's sunny, we'll have a picnic. We'll have a picnic *if* it's sunny.

#### Future time clauses with when, before and after

We also use the present tense to talk about the future after time words like when, after and before.

I'll get my sister's bedroom **when** she **leaves** home. **Before** I **go**, I'll give you my phone number. Vanessa will probably call **after** I **go** out.

## **Vocabulary**

Numbers and dates

Read the words and write the numbers.

1 nine hundred and seventy-two. 977

- 2 nineteen ninety-seven
- 3 eighty-six percent
- 4 three point two million
- 5 a quarter
- 6 seven billion
- Read the amazing facts and write the underlined numbers as words.

## Did you know ...

- 1 There are more than 6,000,000 parts in some big aeroplanes.
- 2 Every year 20,000,000,000 coconuts are grown.





- 3 People usually read 25% slower from a computer screen than on paper.
- 4 The Amazon River is more than 6,450 kilometres long.
- 5 Every letter in the English language is used in the sentence: 'The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog.' That means there are 26 in total.



6 The Indian railway system employs more than 1,400,000 people.



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- 2 I like \_\_\_\_\_ when I'm studying so I often play music.
- 3 My friends and I \_\_\_\_\_ on the phone every day.
- 4 The younger \_\_\_\_\_ in the UK watches less television than their parents.
- 5 Vivian loves to \_\_\_\_\_ for information on the Internet.

## Listening

4 11 Check you understand the words below and then listen to the radio interview about YouTube and choose the correct answers.

**an agreement** (n) an arrangement or decision to do something by two or more people

**block access** (v) to stop people being able to enter somewhere (for example a website)

**a founder** (n) a person who starts a company or organisation

**upload** (v) to send documents, photos and videos from your computer to a larger system using the Internet

- 1 Jawed Karim put the first video on *YouTube* on April ... 2005.
  - **a** three **b** thirteen **c** twenty-three
- 2 The three people who created the site sold it in 2006 for
  - **a** 6.5 billion dollars
  - **b** 1.65 million dollars
  - c 1.65 billion dollars
- 3 About how many hours of videos are put onto the site every minute?
  - **b** thirty **c** fourteen **a** thirteen
- 4 What percentage of people who use online video sites use YouTube?
  - a 34 percent b 44 percent c 54 percent
- 5 YouTube is probably the ... most popular video site on the Internet.
  - a third **b** fourth c fifth
- **6** When did *YouTube* make an agreement with three big TV and film companies?
  - a 2006 **b** 2008 **c** 2010
- 11 Listen again. Tick ( ) true or cross ( X ) false.

1	☐ The first video on <i>YouTube</i> showed one
	of the site creators at the zoo.
2	☐ There are no age limits on any of the
	videos.

- 3 Alex gives information about the number of videos people watch every year.
- 4 If you want to watch a film, you'll have to watch the adverts too.
- 5 At the moment there are some countries where you can't watch YouTube.
- **6** Some schools have blocked access to YouTube because students watched videos of bad behaviour.

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# Reading

- Look at the photo and title of the text. Read the paragraph headings in exercise 7. Then choose the best answer.
  - 1 The text is about
  - a different uses of the Internet in the future.
  - **b** how teenagers will use the Internet in the future.
- Read the text and match the headings a-g with the paragraphs 1-6. There is one extra heading.
  - a Internet and mobile phones
  - **b** How will people use the Internet?
  - **c** The future of the Internet?
  - d Other gadgets
  - e Work and free time
  - f Science
  - g How people used the Internet

- **8** Read the text again and answer the questions.
  - 1 How many websites are there?
  - 2 What will scientists around the world be able to do?
  - 3 What will NASA use their new technology for?
  - 4 Why didn't many people use the Internet on mobiles in 1996?
  - **5** Where can Electrolux fridges send emails?
  - **6** What kind of surface will people be able to display virtual keyboards on?
  - 7 What could people do in gyms in the future?

# The Web of the Future

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When the Internet became generally available in the 1990s nobody had any idea of just how popular it was going to become. There are over a hundred million websites, although nobody knows exactly how many there are, and there are billions of web pages. But what will the Internet be like in the future? Here, the experts give us their predictions.



There will be lots of exciting developments in science for using the Internet. For example, scientists around the world will be able to share equipment such as special microscopes called 'electron microscopes'. The American space agency NASA has developed a 'Virtual Collaborative Clinic'. This allows doctors to find out more about diseases and to practise difficult operations in 3D. NASA plans to use the technology to provide health care on long space journeys.



The first mobile phone with Internet was in Finland in 1996, but it was very expensive so not many people used it. Japan started the first mobile phone Internet service in 1999. By 2008, more people were using mobiles to access the Internet than computers. In the future, experts say we'll all use our mobiles to access the Internet. Mobile screens will probably get a little bigger, but not much. Of course, you'll control all the functions by pressing the screen, not buttons.



Soon, everything from your car to your fridge will be connected to the Internet, and machines will communicate with each other. Electrolux has already developed a fridge that emails a shopping list to a local supermarket — and arranges a time for them to deliver your shopping to your house!



We will see a big change in the way people use it. 64 percent of experts think people won't have to use the traditional keyboard. We will have 'virtual' keyboards – people will be able to display these keyboards on any flat surface, such as a table. They will write their email messages using these virtual keyboards and be able to surf the Internet too.



Most people will also spend part of their day in virtual worlds, at home or at work. Finally, there won't be a big difference between work and free time. People will be able to connect to the Internet anywhere and work where they are — in the gym, a shop, at home or even in a virtual office.



# Writing

#### A letter of complaint

- Read the letter and answer the questions.
  - 1 Why is Christine writing?
  - 2 What two problems does she talk about?
  - 3 What does she expect to happen as a result of her letter?
- 2 Complete the gaps a-f in exercise 1 with the words and phrases below. Read the letter again to help you.

Secondly, ... Yours sincerely when Dear + name address ✓
I look forward to your prompt response.

- 1 Write your address in the top right corner.
- Write the date below your a <u>address</u>.
- 3 Write the name and address of the company you are writing to.
- 4 Begin the letter *Dear Sir* or *Madam*, or **b**\_\_\_\_\_, *Dear Mr Stone*.
- 5 In the first paragraph say why you are writing. Give the details of the product, and say where and c \_\_\_\_\_\_ you bought it.
- 6 In the second paragraph explain the problem in detail. Use sequencing words to introduce each separate problem:

Firstly, ...

Thirdly, ...

Finally, ...

This will help the reader to follow your explanation.

- 7 In the third paragraph say what you want to happen as a result of your letter.
- 8 In the fourth paragraph show that you expect a reply:
  I look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible.
- 9 Close the letter with

  Yours faithfully if you started it with

Dear Sir or Madam.
If you put Dear + name, close the letter with **f**\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Customer Services,

> Everton Electronics,

6 Lonsdale Road, London SW3 2JM 13 Green Road London SW1 4BB → 15 May 2010

- → Dear Ms Reid,
- I am writing to make a complaint about an ADL W34 flat screen television that I bought from Nixon Stores on 10 May.
- There are two problems with the television. Firstly, the remote control does not work properly: sometimes it is impossible to change the channel or turn the volume up. Secondly, when you switch the television on, the picture is not clear for the first five minutes so it is impossible to watch anything until the television warms up. I took the television back to the store, but the manager told me I had to contact you directly.
- I am enclosing a copy of the receipt. Could you please send me a new television and pick up the old one or give me a refund as soon as possible?
- → I look forward to hearing from you.

> Yours sincerely,

Christine Brown ← Christine Brown ←

10 Sign the letter.

11 Print your name underneath or write it in CAPITAL LETTERS.

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3	Match 1–6 with a–f to form complete sentences.
	Then say in which paragraph in a letter of
	complaint you would find the phrase.

- 1 I am writing to
- 2 I am returning
- 3 Could you send me
- 4 I would be grateful if
- 5 I am enclosing the CD player
- 6 I look forward
- a you could repair the CD player.
- $^{f eta}$  **b** make a complaint about a CD player.
  - **c** to hearing from you in the near future.
  - d a replacement as soon as possible?
  - e and the receipt.
  - f the CD player to you.

Paragraph 1: 1 <u>6</u> ,	_
Paragraph 3:	
Paragraph 4:	

# 4 <u>Underline</u> the correct preposition to complete the sentences.

- 1 I am writing about a fault <u>with/to/about</u> the computer that I bought <u>with/on/from</u> your website.
- 2 I would like to complain *with/to/about* the MP3 player which I bought *in/on/off* your store.
- **3** Hook forward *with/to/about* hearing *from/to/about* you.
- 4 I am sending the printer back with/to/about you with/to/about this letter.
- **5** When you switch the computer *on/to/in*, the screen stays blank.
- 6 I have put new batteries *in/on/off* the phone but it still does not work.

# **5** Complete the strategies box with the words below.

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#### Letter of complaint

- Make sure you write the addresses and
   date in the correct places.
- Say where and when you bought the product and <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ why you are writing in paragraph one.
- Explain the problem(s) in <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in paragraph two.
- Use sequencing words: Firstly, <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to make your letter easier to follow.
- Remember to say what you want as a result of the letter.

# 6 Read the task and then write your letter of complaint. Use the strategies in exercise 5 to help you.

You bought a new gadget from a website. You aren't happy with it. Write a letter of complaint.

- Briefly give details about the gadget and when you bought it.
- Complain that you had to wait a long time for it to be delivered and that you didn't receive a reply to your questions for a long time.
- Give at least two reasons why you are unhappy with the product.
- Say what you expect in response to your letter.

# **Speaking**

#### Complaining

# Match the problems 1–4 with the expressions for complaining a–d.

- 1 There is a problem with your new iPod.
- 2 You want to speak to the person responsible in the shop.
- 3 You are not satisfied with the situation.
- 4 You want your money back.
- **a** Could I speak to the manager, please?
- **b** I'd like a refund, please.
- c It doesn't work properly.
- **d** I'm really not happy about this.

# 8 Imagine you are a shop assistant. Write the correct expressions to respond to the situations.

I'm afraid we can't give refunds. Have you got the receipt? What exactly is the problem? I'm sorry, there's nothing I can do. ✓ We can exchange it if you like.

- 1 You can't do anything to help the customer. *I'm sorry, there's nothing I can do.*
- **2** You want the customer to explain what is wrong.
- 3 You want to see when the customer bought the product.
- 4 You can offer the customer a new or similar product to replace the old one.
- 5 You have to tell the customer that you can't give them their money back.