

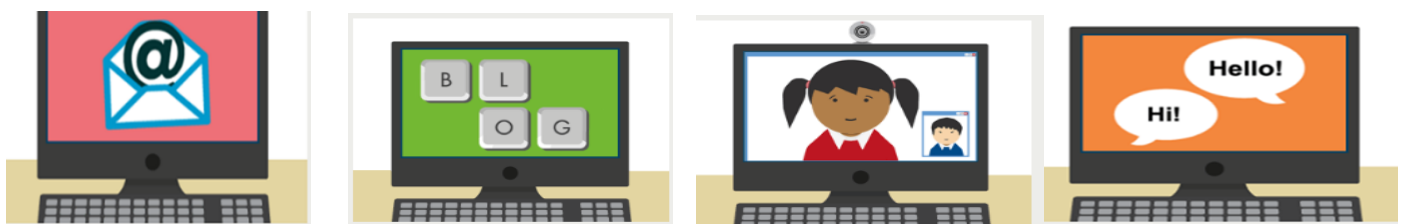
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Read through the text and answer the questions at the end.
Remember to share with your teacher.

Different ways to communicate online

Being able to send messages and talk to other people is an important part of modern life. The internet has opened up lots of new ways for us to communicate. At the touch of a button we have the ability to instantly get in touch with almost anyone, anywhere on the planet.

There are many different types of communication technology. They all have different strengths. It is important to think about which type of communication is best for each occasion.



Email

This is a digital version of sending letters. You can send text-based messages to anyone with an email account. They travel almost instantly. You can also attach other files to the email such as documents and images. This is a good form of communication if you want to send some project work or homework to your friends or to a teacher.

Instant messaging

This is a way to send text-based messages to other people connected to the internet. They will be able to reply in real time. This is a good form of communication if you want to speak quickly to your friends or family.

Video calling

This is a phone call where you use the internet to transmit the signal. It lets you talk to someone in real time. You can use a webcam to send a live video of yourself. This is a good form of communication if you need to see someone's face and it's a fun way of speaking with friends and family.

Blog

This is a website which works like an online diary where you can publish your thoughts and interests. Other people can come and read your posts and take a look at your pictures and videos. This is a good form of communication if you want to share your ideas with a wide audience. It allows you to connect with anyone else who has access to the web.

Just like in real life it's important to be polite and respectful when you are online.

Now answer the following questions in your exercise book.

1. Name three types of online communication.
2. Email is a digital version of what type of communication?
3. What communication is like writing a diary?
4. Which form of communication is best for if you want to share your ideas with a wide audience?
5. Which communication uses a video so you can see the other person?

Challenge:

Describe three types of communication that are not online.