

23. Communication

Today communication methods are becoming more divers as technology advances. Everybody has a telephone at home plus a mobile phone, and many people with some knowledge of computers can communicate with each other around the clock on global networks. These communication skills are becoming a part of our life.

However, the traditional forms of communication are still hard to replace any may even be gaining influence over people's minds. For example, a letter makes people more pleased than just a phone call, even if there is no difference in the message. The more technology develops, the more people seem to miss the personal touch.

Comprehension

1. What modern communication devices are mentioned?
2. In spite of the plethora of instantaneous communications available, what seems to be happening?
3. Why does this seem to be so?

Your opinion

1. Talk about the differences between making a phone call and writing a letter.
2. How often do you call your parents?
3. What do you usually talk about when you call them?
4. Do you think its okay to use company phones for personal business?
5. Do you have a mobile phone? Why or why not?
6. When did you last write a letter?
7. How often do you write letters to your friends or family?
8. Which do you prefer, writing a letter or just calling up?
9. How many letters did you write to your wife or husband I before you were married?
10. What was the most impressive letter you ever received?
11. Do you use the internet?
12. What kind of information do you get from the internet?
13. Talk about common courtesy in using mobile phones in public areas.

