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# Level 1 - 16th May 2024 Internet access good for our health

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Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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### THE READING

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2405/240516-internet-access-1.html

Internet access is good for our health. A report suggests that being connected to the web is positive for us. Researchers looked at two million people's Internet use and health from 168 countries. The data was from the years 2006 to 2021. The researchers looked at eight factors that affect people's wellbeing. These included life satisfaction and social life. The researchers said people with Internet access were eight per cent happier.

One surprising conclusion was that using the Internet was as good as walking in nature. Researchers said the Internet helps people to learn new things and make friends. However, the research did not look at social media. A researcher said: "The study cannot contribute to the recent debate on whether or not social media use is harmful." He added that: "Different channels and uses of the Internet have [very] different effects on well-being."

Sources: https://boingboing.net/2024/05/13/internet-access-may-improve-mental-health-as-much-as-awalk-in-the-woods.html https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c89z2v0pjl30 https://www.nature.com/articles/d41586-024-01410-z

# **PHRASE MATCHING**

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#### **PARAGRAPH ONE:**

- 1. being connected
- 2. two million
- 3. The data was from the
- 4. eight factors that affect
- 5. These included life
- 6. social
- 7. people with
- 8. eight per cent

#### **PARAGRAPH TWO:**

- 1. as good
- 2. learn new
- 3. make
- 4. the research did not look
- 5. contribute to the recent
- 6. whether or not social media
- 7. Different channels and uses
- 8. have very different

- a. life
- b. years 2006 to 2021
- c. happier
- d. to the web
- e. people's well-being
- f. Internet access
- g. satisfaction
- h. people's Internet use
  - a. of the Internet
  - b. at social media
  - c. things
  - d. effects on well-being
  - e. as walking in nature
  - f. friends
  - g. use is harmful
  - h. debate

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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| Internet   | access      | is       | good      | for       | our     | health.      | А    |
|--|-------------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|--------------|------|
| (1)  |             | b        | eing cor  | nnected   | to the  | web is posi  | tive |
| for us. Re   | searchers   | looked   | (2)       |           |         | реор         | le's |
| Internet (3)   |             |          |           | from 16   | 8 coun  | tries. The c | lata |
| Was (4)  |             |          | 200       | )6 to 20  | 021. Tł | ne research  | iers |
| looked (5) _   |             |          | tł        | nat affec | t peopl | e's well-be  | ing. |
| These inclu  | uded life s | satisfac | tion (6)  |           |         | •            | The  |
| researchers  | s said peop | ole with | n Interno | et acces  | s were  | eight per o  | ent  |
| happier.   |             |          |           |           |         |              |      |
| 0  |             |          |           |           |         |              |      |
| One (7)  |             |          | tha       | t using   | the In  | ternet was   | as   |
| good as (8)  |             |          | ·         | Researc   | hers sa | id the Inter | net  |
| helps people to learn new things (9)                             |             |          |           |           |         |              |      |
| However, the research did not look at social media. A researcher |             |          |           |           |         |              |      |
| said: "The study cannot contribute to (10)                       |             |          |           |           |         |              |      |
| on whethe  | r or not so | ocial m  | edia (11) |           |         |              | He   |
| added that   | : "Differer | nt char  | nnels an  | d uses    | of the  | Internet h   | ave  |

[very] (12) \_\_\_\_\_\_ well-being."

# PUT A SLASH ( / )WHERE THE SPACES ARE

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2405/240516-internet-access-1.html

Internetaccessisgoodforourhealth.Areportsuggeststhatbeingconne ctedtothewebispositiveforus.Researcherslookedattwomillionpeople 'sInternetuseandhealthfrom168countries.Thedatawasfromtheyear s2006to2021.Theresearcherslookedateightfactorsthataffectpeople' swell-being.Theseincludedlifesatisfactionandsociallife.Theresear cherssaidpeoplewithInternetaccesswereeightpercenthappier.Ones urprisingconclusionwasthatusingtheInternetwasasgoodaswalkingin nature.ResearcherssaidtheInternethelpspeopletolearnnewthingsan dmakefriends.However,theresearchdidnotlookatsocialmedia.Arese archersaid: "Thestudycannotcontributetotherecentdebateonwhethe rornotsocialmediauseisharmful."Headdedthat:"Differentchannelsa ndusesoftheInternethave[very]differenteffectsonwell-being."

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### **INTERNET ACCESS SURVEY**

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2405/240516-internet-access-4.html

Write five GOOD questions about Internet access in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.

When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

|      | STUDENT 1 | STUDENT 2 | STUDENT 3 |
|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Q.1. |           |           |           |
| Q.2. |           |           |           |
| Q.3. |           |           |           |
| Q.4. |           |           |           |
| Q.5. |           |           |           |

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

### WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

| a) | <br> |
|----|------|
| b) |      |
| c) |      |
| d) |      |
| e) |      |
| f) |      |
|    |      |

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# WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

| a) | <br> | <br> |
|----|------|------|
| b) | <br> |      |
| c) |      |      |
| d) |      |      |
| e) |      |      |
| f) |      |      |
| •  | <br> | <br> |

### WRITING

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Write about **Internet access** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.

