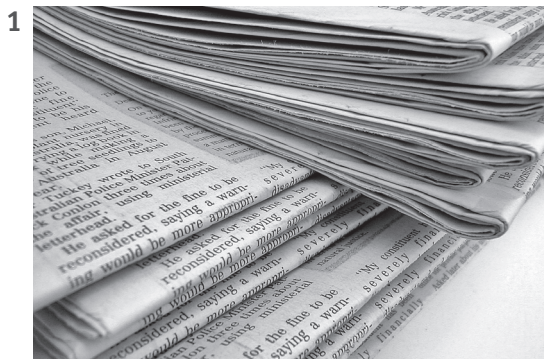


Unit 7 Cross-curricular worksheet

Media: The news

1 Look at the photos. Where do people get their news from?



2 Read the text about how people find out the news. Check your answers to exercise 1.

How do you find out what is happening in the world? Do you read the newspaper, listen to the radio, watch the television or use the Internet?

Newspapers are more than 400 years old and worldwide there are over 24 billion printed every year. They come in different shapes and sizes, from tabloid to broadsheet. They cover every topic from sport to business news. Why are newspapers so popular? Well, they are cheap, easy to make and you can read them almost anywhere!

For the last hundred years, people have also listened to the radio. This has become a very important way for many people to hear the news. Today, there are thousands of different radio stations across the world. One advantage of the radio is that you can do something else while you are listening. Lots of people listen while they are driving, working or even running!

Since the first public television broadcast more than seventy years ago, people have also watched the news on the television. There are more than 15,000 television channels in the world, and 78% of all houses have a television.

Nowadays, you can read the newspaper, listen to the radio or watch the television on a computer! People often use the Internet to get their news but they don't always use a computer. More and more people use their tablets or smartphones to get information. They read online newspapers, listen to the radio, and they use social media websites like Facebook and Twitter.

The ways we find out the news might have changed, but people are still hungry for information.

3 Translate these words from the text into your language. Use a dictionary to help you.

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| 1 popular | _____ | 3 radio station | _____ | 5 broadcast | _____ |
| 2 advantage | _____ | 4 online | _____ | 6 social media | _____ |

4 Read the text again. Match the two parts of the sentences.

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| 1 Lots and lots of people read newspapers | a and they cover many different topics. |
| 2 There are many different kinds of newspaper | b but the way they do this has changed. |
| 3 People like listening to the radio | c because they don't cost a lot of money and you can read them anywhere. |
| 4 You can use the Internet to find out the news, | d because you can do something else while you are listening. |
| 5 On a smartphone you watch the news | e but you don't always need to use a computer. |
| 6 People still want to find out news, | f and listen to the radio. |