Survey on COMPUTERS AND THE INTERNET

Level

Intermediate

Skills practiced

Speaking on computers and the Internet. Vocabulary on this topic.

Time

15 minutes.

Preparation

Print out a set of cards. There should be at least one card per student.

How it works

This survey can be used before the debate on computers and the Internet.

Give each student one of the cards below. They have to interview as many students in the class as possible. They should write down the students' answers, because later they'll have to report about their findings.

After a few minutes tell the students to go back to their seats and share what they have in small groups of three/four. They should then write one sentence per card using expressions like:

All / Most / Some of the students in our class ...

A few / None / Five out of ten students interviewed ...

The sentence should be representative of their findings.

Key

5 - c

6 - C

7 - Are you OK?

10 - tomorrow

14 - thank you

1. Which of the following situations applies to you? a) I use a computer at home and at school/work. b) I use a computer at home but not at school/work. c) I use a computer at school/work but not at home. d) I do not use a computer at school/work or at home.	 2. How often do you use the Internet? a) Every day. b) Almost every day, i.e. 5 or 6 days a week. c) 3 or 4 days a week. d) 1 or 2 days a week. e) Never.
3. What do you spend the most time doing on the Internet? a) Surfing the Web. b) Using e-mail. c) I spend about equal amounts of time surfing the Web and using e-mail. d) Chatting.	4. Would you prefer to live in a world with computers or without computers? Why?
5. What do we call someone who illegally breaks into computer systems? a)Backer b)Tracker c) Hacker	6. In a chat room, e-mail or telephone text message, typing in capital letters indicates the sender is: a) also chatting to someone else b) not using their first language c) angry or shouting
7. In chats we use abbreviations. What does this abbreviation mean? RU OK	8. Have you ever bought something online?
9. Have you set up your own website?	10. In chats we use abbreviations. What does this abbreviation mean? 2 MORO

11. Have you ever sent a greeting card online?	12. Have you ever entered a chat room?
13. What kinds of things do you think computers will do in the future?	14. In chats we use abbreviations. What does this abbreviation mean? TY