Objective: to activate students' background knowledge
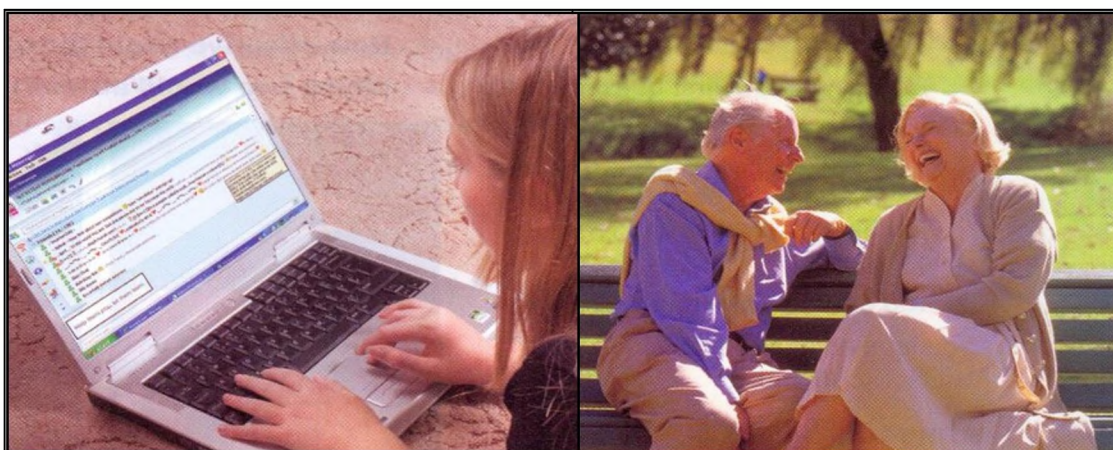
The Internet

The Internet is not a luxury, it is a necessity

Barack Obama

Warming-up

1. Work individually. Compare the photographs and say what topic both photos are connected to? What do you think is enjoyable about communicating in these ways? Which way of communication would you prefer?

Useful expressions:

In the picture I can see …
There's / There are …
There isn't a … / There aren't any …
The man is …ing / The people are …ing

Essential vocabulary

Nouns	Verbs	Adjectives	Phrasal verbs
a computer buff (n) high-spec (n) wireless hotspot (n)	to crash (v) to waste (v) to estimate (v)	average (adj) profound (adj) addictive (adj)	to boot up to push back to take back control

Phrases related to internet
To download music over the Internet
I prefer shopping on the Internet
People use the Internet for …

2. Make up sentences of your own with words and word-combinations from essential vocabulary.

Reading

3. Read the text and be ready to answer the questions.

THE INTERNET

The Internet is the world's largest <u>computer</u> network with over 100 million users worldwide and this number is doubling from year to year. The Internet is like an international highway of information. Now, you can sit at your computer, choose a route and arrive at your destination – that is, the information you need. Today, from your computer, you can access a library in one country, talk to an <u>expert</u> on a certain topic in a second country and send your own <u>information</u> to someone doing research in a third. So, we don't know what will be next in the not-too-distant future.

The Internet was born when scientists <u>attempted</u> to connect the American Defence network to other satellite networks in order to exchange information. Soon, scientific and educational institutions as well as research departments became interested in linking up, and, before long, the Internet had expanded into an international information and communication network.

The Internet now reaches all the countries in the world. You can be connected to the Internet directly through your <u>own</u> computer or you can hook up to an access system which allows you to use some of the Internet's services.

To tell the truth, there are problems with modern technology like the Internet. For example, copyright laws and other media regulations haven't managed to come to grips with the Internet yet. Unfortunately, some unscrupulous people have already <u>recognized</u> the commercial potential of the Internet. They have used it to sell stolen goods illegally and even pornography, which would obviously make the Internet unsuitable for use in

schools. Both governments and computer experts are concerned about the misuse of such a system and must do their best to prevent it. Nobody actually owns the Internet, nobody runs it and no one has the power to switch it off. Thus, the nature of the Internet will be shaped by the culture and morality of the people who use it.

4. Read the text again. Are these sentences true (T) or false (F) or is the information not mentioned (NM) in the text?

1) The Internet can work everywhere in the world.

2) It is not simple to solve some questions concerning the Net.

3) The Internet was born when scientists attempted to connect the American Defence network to other satellite networks in order to exchange information.

4) Copyright laws and other media regulations have managed to come to grips with the Internet.

5) Everybody actually owns the Internet, everybody runs it and no one has the power to switch it off.

5. Answer the questions after the text.

1) Why is the Internet like an international highway of information?

2) Where was the Internet born?

3) What are some of the misuses of the Internet?

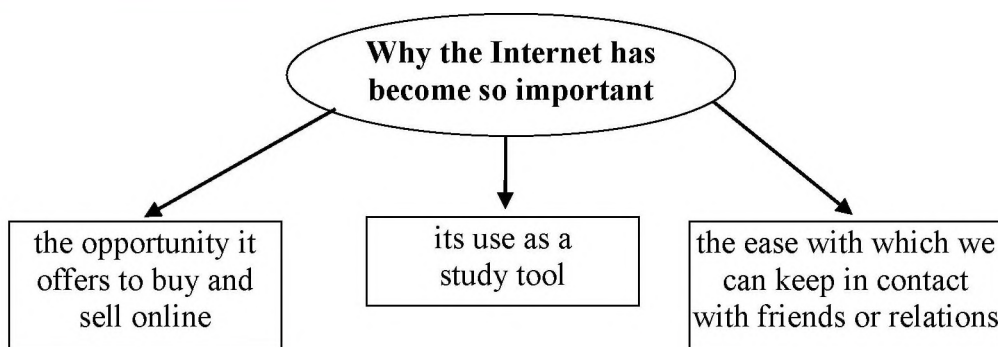4) What are the advantages of the Internet, according to the text?

5) What are the disadvantages of the Internet mentioned in the text?

6. Complete the chart as shown.

Noun	Verb	Adjective
	to effect	
activities		
	to continue	
		optimistic
entertainment		

Writing

7. Write an essay discussing two of the reasons given for the importance of the Internet. You should explain which reason is most important, giving reasons in support of your answer. Write 220-260 words in appropriate style.

Why the Internet has become so important

| the opportunity it offers to buy and sell online | its use as a study tool | the ease with which we can keep in contact with friends or relations |

Speaking

8. Think about your answers to these questions.

1) How important is the Internet to you?

2) Do you use the Internet more for work or in your free time? Why? Why not?

3) What are your favourite websites? Why? Why not?

4) Are there any negative things about the Internet? Why? Why not?

5) What are the advantages and disadvantages of on-line shopping?

9. Describe the most important benefit of the internet. You should say:

● what it is;

● why you prefer it;

● how students can take advantages of it;

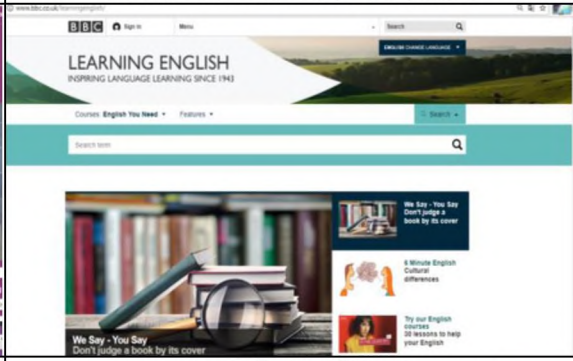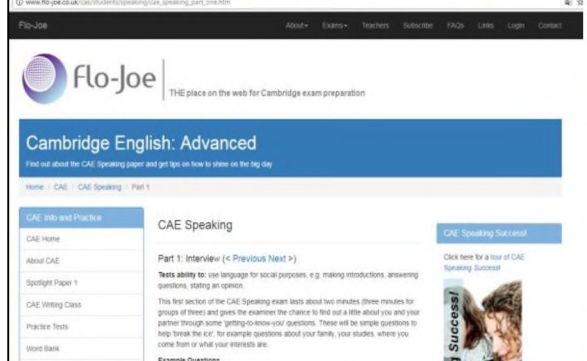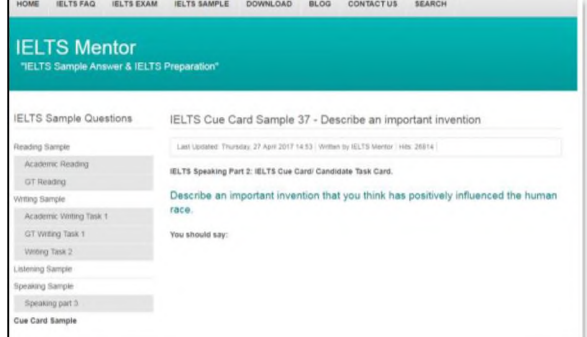and explain what the importance of it is in your country.

10. Work with a partner. Discuss the quotation given at the beginning of the Unit 3.

What you think about somebody/something	Asking for clarification
• As far as I'm concerned ...	• What's your opinion?
• As far as I know ...	• Would you like to say something?
• In my view ...	• What do you mean?
• I don't believe that ...	• What are your ideas?
• I've never come across the idea that ...	• What are you trying to say?
Phrases to keep a discussion going	**Other opinions**
• Let's get back to ...	• They claim that ...
• As we just heard ...	• They also say ...
• Where were we?	• Opinion among scientists is that ...

Home project

11. Make ppt presentation about website for learning English. Describe the website.