

PRE-INTERMEDIATE UNIT 11

1 Work in groups. Do you agree or disagree with the statements?

- 1 Video games can make people violent.
- 2 Too much TV is bad for children.
- 3 Families spend less time doing things together nowadays.
- 4 Children spend too much time indoors nowadays.



2 Watch the DVD and tick the things you see.

- 1 a man throws a TV in the rubbish
- 2 a girl cries because she can't play video games
- 3 a classroom
- 4 a camera films a classroom
- 5 children playing football
- 6 people remove screens from homes
- 7 board games
- 8 some boys do push-ups
- 9 parents punishing a child
- 10 a girl paints a picture

3A What do these things refer to in the DVD?

- 1 84 _____
- 2 32 _____
- 3 1 _____
- 4 games _____
- 5 10 _____
- 6 laughter _____

B Watch the DVD again to check.

4 Match 1–8 with a)–h) to make eight collocations from the DVD.

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| 1 rots | a) on |
| 2 severely | b) their brains |
| 3 hang | c) shape |
| 4 primary | d) days |
| 5 on the | e) outskirts |
| 6 in | f) exchange |
| 7 get into | g) school |
| 8 on school | h) rationed |

5 Match the collocations from Exercise 4A with their meanings 1–8.

- 1 a school for children between five and eleven years old
- 2 makes them unintelligent
- 3 at the edge of a city
- 4 during Monday to Friday
- 5 wait
- 6 as a substitute or payment for
- 7 become fit and healthy
- 8 given or allowed only a little at a time

6A EITHER choose a gadget you like OR choose one of the family gadgets below and find out as much as you can about it. Use questions 1–4 to help you.

- Teddy the Guardian
- FiLip 2
- MamaRoo Infant Seat
- Dolmio Pepper Hacker

- 1 What is the gadget?
- 2 What does it do?
- 3 Who is it for: kids, parents or everyone?
- 4 Would you use one? Why/Why not?



B Work in groups. Ask and answer questions about the gadget you chose.

A: I chose FiLip 2.

B: What is it?

A: It's a smart watch for kids. It allows their parents to keep track of where they are.