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Unit One

Mass Media: Radio, Television, the Internet

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Unit One

I. Listening

1 Listen to the interview,  1, and decide which of the facts below (1—6) are true (T), false (F) or not stated (NS).

1. United Press International is the only international news agency in the USA.
2. Reporters and news agencies from abroad use Associated Press and United Press International news materials.
3. The largest international agency in the world was organized in the previous century.
4. The US news agencies do not belong to the US Government.
5. American journalists try to keep apart the news itself and their opinions about it.
6. American journalists seldom sign¹ their news stories.



1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

2 Listen to the text,  2, and choose the appropriate variants (a—b) to complete the sentences (1—5).


1. A “typical American” usually watches television _____.
a) six-seven hours a day b) less than six-seven hours a day
2. Young American men watch television _____ than American women who are over 55 years of age.
a) less b) more
3. Statistics _____ precise data about television viewing time.
a) gives b) doesn't give
4. According to the speaker, in America TV sets are used _____.
a) to avoid silence in the house b) to get varied news

¹ to sign [saɪn] — подписывать

5. According to the speaker, it is _____ to watch television 6—7 hours a day.

a) possible

b) impossible

3 Listen to the interview,  3, and complete the sentences (1—6) in accordance with the text you've heard.

1. Doctors and specialists think it is harmful for young children _____

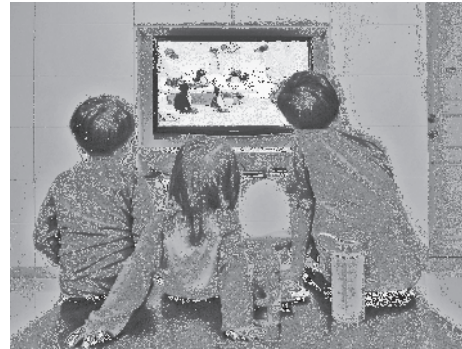
2. Doctor Heeley says babies under one year old shouldn't _____

3. Two- or three-year old children may watch television for no more than _____

4. Nowadays television is often used as a babysitter because _____

5. If young babies watch television a lot, they _____

6. Children whose language is below standard at the age of three _____



II. Reading

4 Read the words in transcription, then write them down.

1. [hju:'miliəri] — _____

9. ['sɜ:vɪs] — _____

2. ['kʌrənt] — _____

10. [pə'li:s] — _____

3. [dɪs'kʌʃn] — _____

11. ['nɒlɪdʒ] — _____

4. [sə'saɪətɪ] — _____

12. ['brɔ:dkɑ:stə] — _____

5. ['θretən] — _____

13. ['ædvətaɪzə] — _____

6. ['ru:dənəs] — _____

14. ['mi:diə] — _____

7. ['femləs] — _____

15. ['dertə] — _____

8. [ɪn's'teɪd] — _____

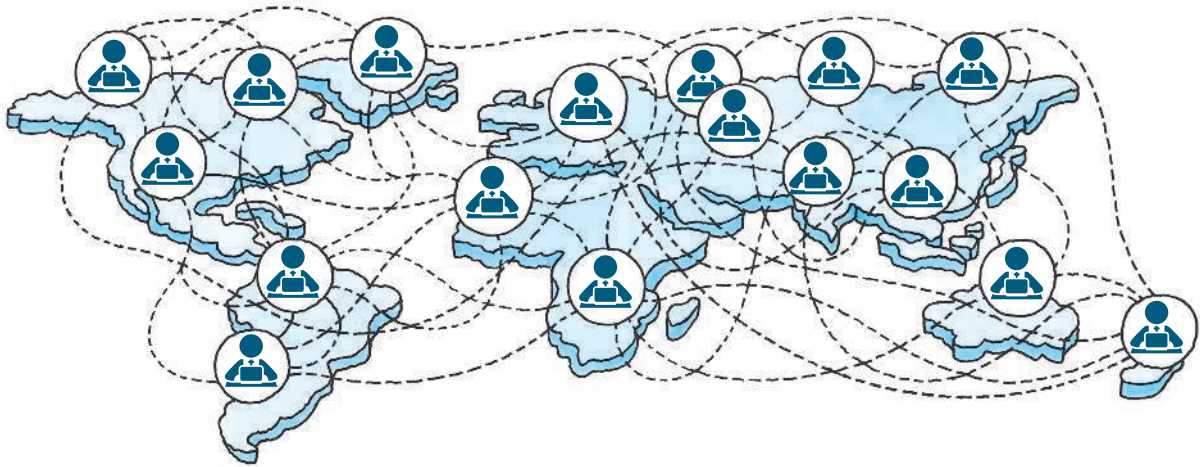
5 Read the words, word combinations and sentences out loud.

A. Broadcast, service, threaten, shame, advertise, main, citizen, serve, serial, series, shoot, spoil, police, spy.

- B.** To discuss the current events, to discuss important problems, to serve in the army, to humiliate those who are weak, to spoil children, to spy on the members of the society, to inform the police, to broadcast the latest news; rude words, her current address, shameless behaviour, the main facts, a serious threat, an interesting serial, a series of TV programmes, helpful advice.
- C.** The company advertises its toothpaste on television. You can find the details of that process on the Internet and in some other news media. The main idea of the game is to score points. I felt humiliated when I failed the test after telling everyone that I would do it well. It's a shame that our team has lost.

- 6** Read the text and choose the appropriate variants (a—d) to complete the statements after it.

The Internet



Since its first appearance some decades ago, the Internet has dramatically changed our lives. Yet, it has also brought a lot of debate about its advantages and disadvantages. Many arguments have been given to prove that this kind of mass media is the fastest, the cheapest, most convenient, in other words, the most effective of all. Few people can doubt the fact.

First of all, for many people the Internet has become a true (and often the only one) way of communication. In the past, people used to be dependent on conventional mailing system or telephone that were rather expensive, inconvenient and time-consuming. Nowadays you can get to any place on any continent and have a talk with a person you need.

Now no one can deny that due to the Internet people in modern society do have an easy access¹ to the latest news, to the information that has been hidden from many of us. The worlds of trade, economy, as well as the worlds of science, culture, sports and entertainment have got a channel through which they can share their achievements, discuss their victories and defeats. The speed of this technology is really incredible. In fact, you can get the necessary data in practically no time, though there is, certainly, a lot of information in the world that is not open to the public. Equally important the Internet is in the field of advertising and shopping. Customers nowadays can easily deliver transactions from home with the help of a computer and make a payment by using the Internet banking service.

Some people mention possible threats and other disadvantages of the Internet. One of the serious problems, psychologists speak of, is an individual's isolation

¹ an access ['ækses] — доступ

within the society. Doctors stress the fact that more and more people, especially teens, mix up real life and their online existence. There are other problems connected with the Internet: children and unsuitable sites, criminals and the online data that might help them to commit crimes etc. All these facts are true. However, the 21st century is definitely the epoch of the Internet and our life depends much on it.

1. The Internet came to existence _____.
a) ten years ago
b) in the 21st century
c) some time ago
d) about ten years ago
2. The Internet has _____ changed people's life style.
a) seriously
b) slightly
c) not practically
d) not particularly
3. Most people _____ the fact that the Internet facilitates our access to different information.
a) approve of
b) disagree with
c) admit
d) are not sure of
4. It is obvious that the Internet is _____.
a) more reliable than the other ways of mass media
b) not a perfect kind of mass media
c) mostly spread in the field of advertising and shopping
d) the only true way of communication.

7

Read the text and match its paragraphs (1—4) with their titles (a—e). There is one title you don't have to use.



- a) The Internet and Shopping
 - b) A Habit Leading to Isolation
 - c) A Threat to Firms and Companies
 - d) The Possibilities of the Net
 - e) Advantages and Disadvantages of the Internet
1. The Internet has lots of users. It has lately become extremely popular and is being applied by people of all ages and professions. With its help you can easily get the information you need for academic studies as well as for other purposes, shopping, for example. Besides you can get in touch with your friends in no time and socialize as long as you like. The Internet is also a source of entertainment. You can play games, download films and music either for free or at a very low price.
 2. When you work on the computer, you are aware of all these advantages. But have you ever thought that for some people the same things may lead to great problems? Instead of going out to meet friends and relatives, such individuals prefer to stay at home and sit before their computers for hours often just wasting time. These people have little or no exercise and some of them even develop computer dependence. They prefer to chat online and have difficulties in real communication often leading to loneliness and psychological problems.

3. Thus we have to agree that the world of the Internet is not so perfect as it seems to be and as the advertisements say. It is true that on the Net the latest news and the information you need is available¹ to you when you are at home at any time. This is very convenient and fast. But with so much information available, it can take you quite a while to find what you really need. Besides there is so much advertising instead of real facts and true information. On the other hand, online shopping helps to save both time and money but often leads to the result you did not expect.
4. Nevertheless millions of people enjoy using the Internet. It's real fun to play computer games, to find new friends and to chat with old ones². But these are not the things people should do during their working hours. Yet, many Internet users do them. Computers have been installed³ in a great number of offices and it is next to impossible to make sure that all people there use their time properly. However, we all understand that modern life is not possible without the Internet.

PARAGRAPHS	1	2	3	4
TITLES				

EXTRA _____

8 A. Read the text silently and then out loud.

Pay attention to:

- your sounds and intonation;
- logical pauses;
- the tempo of reading.

The Internet has brought a serious technological change into our life. Different people react differently to it. Some of them can hardly imagine their lives without the Internet, while others say that this change is irrelevant⁴, unnecessary or even frightening⁵. For many of these individuals computers represent a threat to their freedom and independence.

Many of them think that in the future all decisions will be taken by machines. But machines are not human beings, so they cannot feel and estimate⁶ possible emotional reactions of this or that society. This is frightening, as human lives will more and more depend on machines. Such people often use the Internet to



¹ **available** [ə'veɪləbl̩] — доступный

² **old ones** = эд.: old friends

³ **to install** [ɪn'stɔːl] — устанавливать

⁴ **irrelevant** [ɪ'reləvənt] — нерелевантный, неважный, незначимый

⁵ **frightening** ['fraɪtnɪŋ] — пугающий

⁶ **to estimate** ['estɪmət] — оценивать

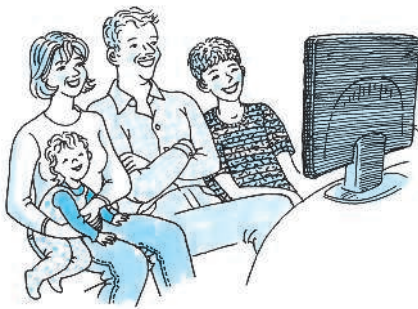
get the necessary information but they have little idea of how computers work. The unknown often seems mysterious and difficult to understand.

B. Put 5 questions on the text (general, alternative, disjunctive, *wh*-question, the question to the subject) and write them down.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

III. Speaking

9 **A.** Choose one of the pictures and say what you can see in it.



1



2



3

B. What, in your opinion, is the story behind the picture you've chosen?

10 Remember your favourite TV programme (a film, a TV show, a sports programme etc) and speak about it.



Say:

- when you watch(ed) it;
- what it is/was about;
- who are/were the participants of the programme;
- if you like(d)/dislike(ed) the programme and why;
- if you would/would not recommend it to your friends and why.

- 11** Work in pairs and act out one of the following situations.

Situation One. Two friends are discussing the role of television in our life. One of them thinks that it is a waste of time to watch television because there are very few interesting programmes there and thinks that it is much more interesting to express oneself speaking with friends online. The other doesn't like the Internet because it takes a lot of his/her time and people are not able to meet each other to discuss their problems personally but admits that when he/she needs this or that data or information he/she uses the Net. Each of the two puts forward arguments to support their points of view.

Situation Two. Two friends are discussing the role of radio in modern life. One of them thinks that radio has become useless as it is more interesting to watch television or to use the Internet. The other friend believes that radio remains useful even in modern life. He/she mentions distant villages high in the mountains, trips in cars and even his/her granny who always listens to the radio when she does certain things about the house.

- 12** Answer the questions on the topic "Mass Media".

1. What kinds of mass media do you know? Which of them do you consider the most important? Why?
2. What is the role of radio nowadays? Do many people, in your view, listen to the radio? In what situations is radio a more convenient source of information than television and the Internet?
3. What do you think of television? What is it more a source of information or a kind of entertainment? Can you say that the 21st century is an era of television? Why/Why not? What TV programmes are very popular among teenagers (grown-ups) now? How can you explain the fact? Do you think their preferences depend on their age? What TV programmes are mainly watched in your family? Do you find any disadvantages or threats to people who enjoy watching television nonstop?
4. What is the role of the Internet in our society? Can you say that modern people are very dependent on the Internet? Why so? In what way do different people use the Internet? How can you characterize this source of information? Can you absolutely rely upon the facts given on the Net?

IV. Use of English

Vocabulary Exercises

- 13** A. Write the same in English.

1. текущие события — _____
2. употребляться вместо чего-то (*часто в тексте*) — _____
3. транслировать по радио — _____
4. последние новости — _____
5. жители Москвы — _____

6. рекламировать в местной газете — _____
7. услуги юриста — _____
8. вместо денег — _____
9. грубость инспектора — _____
10. бессовестный человек — _____
11. угрожать чьей-либо свободе — _____
12. снимать фильм — _____

B. Write the same in Russian.

1. to spoil the child — _____
2. to spy on the actor — _____
3. to broadcast on the radio — _____
4. to feel humiliated — _____
5. to shoot at the flying duck — _____
6. instead of rudeness — _____
7. the threat of terrorism — _____
8. without shame — _____
9. a multicultural society — _____
10. to shoot someone dead — _____
11. the citizen's rights — _____
12. a hit television serial — _____
13. fellow citizens — _____

14 Use the prepositions where necessary to complete the sentences.

as, at, for, in, of, on, to, with

1. In the texts the letters PC stand _____ the expression “personal computer”.
2. Jane offered us her services _____ a nurse long ago, and since that time she has been serving _____ our health centre.
3. It was rude _____ her to mention my defeat.
4. _____ their shame they had no information about Mr Johnson's services.
5. Terrorism is a real threat _____ modern society.
6. Please let us know if we can be _____ any further service _____ you or your family.
7. Doris, did you really hear about it _____