

Glued to the screen

Idiom of the month

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1. Complete these activities with the correct verb from the list, then tick the activities that teenagers really like doing.

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| cleaning | surfing | watching |
| taking | playing | using |

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| a. video games | d. their bedroom |
| b. videos online | e. social networks |
| c. the Internet | f. the rubbish out |

2a. Read

Jada, come and clean your bedroom please.

You're glued to that phone screen. You're always watching something. Put it down!

OK mum!!!

2b. Complete

Sam is and doesn't hear his mum come home from work.

When someone is completely absorbed in looking at a video or film, we say they are 'glued to the screen', or the object they are watching on, for example the TV.

3. Read these idioms. Match each idiomatic phrase (a – d) to the correct definition (1 – 4).

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| a. Lola saw the car coming but she was glued to the spot . | 1. ... watching with attention ... |
| b. Poor Jack. His little brother is always glued to his side and he can't go anywhere on his own. | 2. ... absorbed by what is on the screen ... |
| c. Their eyes were glued to the sky watching the lunar eclipse. | 3. ... unable to move ... |
| d. Veronica's sister spends all afternoon glued to the screen playing videogames. | 4. ... with him ... |

4. Complete these sentences with an idiom from exercise 3.

- a. Jeremy's were the lead singer of his favourite band on stage. He was so happy to be at the concert!
- b. Sarah was so scared when she saw the spider that she was
- c. My little brother is always in trouble because he spends every afternoon
.....watching football videos.
- d. Daisy is very shy. She is always to her mum's

Teacher's Notes

1. Tick:

- ✓ playing video games
- ✓ watching videos online
- ✓ using social networks
- ✓ surfing the Internet

2b. Complete

*Sam is **glued to the screen** (or **phone, tablet, TV, etc.**) and doesn't hear his mum come home from work.*

3. Match each idiomatic phrase to the correct definition.

a 3 b 4 c 1 d 2

4. Complete the sentences with an idiom from exercise 3.

- a. **eyes** were **glued to**
- b. **glued to the spot**
- c. **glued to the screen**
- d. **glued** to her mum's **side**

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