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.**

   cleaning  surfing  watching
   taking  playing  using

   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).**

a. Lola saw the car coming but she **was glued to the spot.**

b. Poor Jack. His little brother is always **glued to his side** and he can’t go anywhere on his own.

c. Their **eyes were glued to the sky** watching the lunar eclipse.

d. Veronica’s sister spends all afternoon **glued to the screen** playing videogames.

1. ... watching with attention ...

2. ... absorbed by what is on the screen ...

3. ... unable to move ...

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 ........................................
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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