

PASSION FOR TECHNOLOGY



READING

14 **K** Leggi l'articolo e scegli l'alternativa corretta.

Today, 75 million people use Facebook and they spend about 20 minutes on the site every day. A lot of teenagers have a profile on Facebook, and probably you have your own profile on it. Your profile is like a diary: you can talk about your life, your family, your friends, your hobbies, what you like and what you hate doing. You can add photos to your profile. If you give access to your friends, they can see your profile.

Facebook is free and easy to use, so it is popular with young people who can communicate with a lot of people at the same time. But be careful! Don't put personal information on the site; don't open your profile to everyone; don't put photos of your friends if you haven't got their permission; check the types of information you give.

It can be dangerous because you can't delete your profile. Today, Facebook is even accessible on your mobile phone. By the way, do you know how many mobile phones are in use around the world? 3.5 billion! It's incredible! Over 2.5 billion people send an SMS twice or three times a day. The British in particular love that. Some people are very quick at text messaging. There is an SMS World Speed Championship. Ang Chuang Yang from Singapore is the world champion: he can type 160 characters in just 42 seconds. Can you beat that record?



add = aggiungere
at the same time = contemporaneamente
everyone = tutti
dangerous = pericoloso
delete = cancellare

1. A lot of people using Facebook every day.
 - a. don't like
 - b. like
 - c. hate
2. You can on Facebook.
 - a. write a diary
 - b. open a profile
 - c. take photos
3. You can see your friends' profiles if they give you
 - a. access
 - b. a password
 - c. a phone number
4. Young people use Facebook because
 - a. they like communicating with just one person
 - b. they prefer communicating with a lot of people at the same time
 - c. they enjoy visiting social sites

5. Facebook can be dangerous if
 - a. you delete your profile
 - b. you put personal information
 - c. you spend a lot of time using it
6. The British love on their mobile phones.
 - a. text messaging
 - b. surfing the Internet
 - c. using Facebook
7. Ang Chuang Yang can quickly.
 - a. send an SMS
 - b. read an SMS
 - c. write an SMS





LISTENING

15 **K** **2.19** Ascolta l'intervista fatta a Matthew, un ragazzo di 13 anni, e indica (✓) se le seguenti affermazioni sono vere (T) o false (F).

- Matthew has got an Mp3 player.
- Matthew thinks mobile phones are sophisticated and difficult to use.
- Matthew can play games and surf the Internet with his mobile.
- Matthew likes messaging.
- Matthew prefers writing e-mails on the computer.
- Matthew uses his computer once a week.
- Matthew is on Facebook.
- Matthew doesn't mind staying with his friends.
- Matthew goes swimming at the weekend.
- Matthew swims with his mobile phone.

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SPOKEN INTERACTION

16 Lavora con un compagno. A turno, chiedi e rispondi circa l'uso di mezzi tecnologici e le attività nel tempo libero. Prendi nota delle risposte. Usa i suggerimenti elencati.

- Have / mobile phone?
- Difficult / use it?
- When / use it?
- What / can / with it?
- What / like doing?
- How many messages / a day?
- Have / computer?
- How often / surf the Internet?
- You / Facebook?
- Play / sport?
- How often / sport?
- Prefer / computer or sport?



WRITING

17 **K** **ES** Utilizza le note delle risposte del tuo compagno dell'esercizio 16 per scrivere un "report" sulle sue abitudini. Fai un confronto con le tue. Inizia così:

Luca has got a mobile phone and he can use it very well. I have got a mobile phone. I think it is easy to use. Luca and I use our mobiles after school...

DO YOU KNOW THAT...

Text it like this

Do you know the meaning of these text messaging abbreviations?

BFF	Best friend(s) forever
HAGD	Have a good day
RUT?	Are you there?
G2GGS2D	Got to go get something to drink
F2F	Face to face
RUMORF?	Are you male or female?
WYRN?	What's your real name?
CD9	Code 9 (parents are around)
P911	Parents emergency
PIR	Parents in room
POS	Parents over shoulder