

Unit 11 – A digital life

Means of communication		
carrier pigeon	The post is so slow that you might as well send your letter by carrier pigeon.	Brieftaube
face-to-face conversation	I prefer to have a face-to-face conversation instead of texting.	persönliches Gespräch
fax machine	I can't believe my company still uses a fax machine when email is so much easier.	Faxgerät
letter	Belle was excited to receive a letter from her friend, who is travelling the world.	Brief
morse code	We had to learn morse code in the boy scouts, but it doesn't seem that useful to me.	Morseschrift
personal computer	I use a personal computer at work and my smartphone at home or on the road.	Computer (PC)
text message	I received a text message from Sally asking if we could meet up later instead.	Textnachricht, SMS
video conference / call	We had a video conference to make sure the project was going well.	Videokonferenz / Videoanruf
wired telephone	I can't believe we still have a wired telephone when everyone in the family has a mobile phone.	Festnetztelefon
The evolution of technology		
to immensely influence the way we get knowledge	The Internet has immensely influenced the way we get knowledge.	die Art und Weise, wie wir Wissen erlangen, enorm beeinflussen
to be state-of-the-art these days	Smart phones are state-of-the-art these days and can do anything from search the Internet to pay your bills.	heutzutage auf dem neuesten Stand der Technik sein
to bring groundbreaking innovations	New technology could bring groundbreaking innovations to science and medicine.	bahnbrechende Innovationen bringen
to unlock the device	My smartphone needs to scan my face to unlock the device.	das Gerät entsperren
to profoundly change education	AI may profoundly change education by replacing teachers.	Bildung grundlegend verändern
to have access to educational opportunities	More people than ever have access to educational opportunities.	Zugang zu Bildungsmöglichkeiten haben
to be available through the Internet	A lot of books are available through the Internet, for instance as e-books via apps like <i>Kindle</i> .	über das Internet verfügbar sein
to be the primary source of information	<i>Instagram</i> is the primary source of information for my friends, which is a big problem.	die vorrangige Informationsquelle sein
to have a huge impact on society and education	Smart phones had a huge impact on society and education when they came out, so I wonder what will happen with AI.	einen enormen Einfluss auf Gesellschaft und Bildung haben
Are digital textbooks the future?		
to get a headache	I can't read electronic books because I always gets a headache when I do.	Kopfschmerzen bekommen
to be outdated quickly	In the fast-paced world of technology, new devices tend to be outdated quickly.	schnell veraltet sein
to be space-saving and light	E-readers are space-saving and light, making them easy to take anywhere.	platzsparend und leicht sein
to have no search function	Traditional textbooks have no search function, so finding information can take longer.	keine Suchfunktion haben

to increase screen time	Teens usually increase screen time when they're bored or stressed.	die Bildschirmzeit erhöhen
to deal with technical problems	The IT department deals with technical problems like that all the time.	mit technischen Problemen umgehen
to be distracted more easily	People who use their phones a lot are distracted more easily.	leichter abgelenkt werden
to be heavy	My computer is heavy compared to his.	schwer sein
to run out of battery	Tatiana's phone is old and quickly runs out of battery.	keinen Akku mehr haben
to have up-to-date material	It's important to have up-to-date material for any technology presentation.	aktuelles Material haben
to be available everywhere	The new <i>iPhones</i> are available everywhere now.	überall verfügbar sein
to be interactive	AI programmes are interactive and can answer almost any question.	interaktiv sein
to be environmentally-friendly	I only buy products that are environmentally-friendly so I can help save the planet.	umweltfreundlich sein
to be easy to take notes	Tablets are easy to take notes on during online classes.	leicht Notizen machen können
to be independent from technology	Using paper textbooks allows you to be independent from technology and means you don't need batteries or the Internet.	Technologie-unabhängig sein
to have a tactile learning experience	Many students prefer textbooks because they let you to have a tactile learning experience by touching and flipping pages.	eine tactile Lernerfahrung machen, durch Anfassen lernen
to be more focused	She needs to get rid of her smart phone and be more focused in class!	konzentrierter sein
to require space	Newer apps tend to require space on your phone, which may mean deleting something.	Platz benötigen
to have high production costs	Printed textbooks may have high production costs because of paper and printing, but manufacturing electronic devices may also involve expensive components.	mit hohen Produktionskosten einhergehen
to be easier to read	Skyler finds e-readers easier to read because the font size can be adjusted.	leichter zu lesen sein

Too old for innovation?

to affect the quality of life of so.	Technology can affect the quality of life people live in both positive and negative ways.	die Lebensqualität beeinflussen
to keep in touch with so.	I think it's great that you've kept in touch with Dave, he's a great guy.	mit jmdm. in Kontakt bleiben
to be tech-savvy	Dan is tech-savvy and smart, so he decided to start his own software company.	technisch versiert sein
to struggle with sth.	Jane struggles with responding to emails because she's so forgetful.	mit etw. kämpfen, sich mit etw. schwortun
to feel incompetent	Sometimes I feel incompetent compared to my younger co-workers.	sich inkompetent / nicht qualifiziert fühlen
to become more confident with technology	Richard became more confident with technology the more he used it.	sicherer im Umgang mit Technologie werden
to develop basic IT skills	Anyone can develop basic IT skills if they try hard.	grundlegende IT-Fähigkeiten entwickeln

to value sth.	Travelling helped me to value the simple things in life.	etw. wertschätzen
to provide support	My company provides support for anyone who needs it.	Unterstützung bieten

The role of IT

to be of utmost importance nowadays	Being able to communicate with people is of utmost importance nowadays.	heutzutage von größter / äußerster Bedeutung sein
to communicate online with so.	It's amazing that we can communicate online with someone almost anywhere in the world.	mit jmdm. online kommunizieren
to depend on sth.	I depend on my smartphone to get to work in the morning.	von etw. abhängig sein
to provide lessons for elderly people	Ian was kind enough to provide lessons for elderly people about how to use the Internet.	Unterricht für ältere Menschen anbieten
to connect so. with the rest of the world	The goal of social media is to connect people with the rest of the world.	jmdn. mit dem Rest der Welt verbinden
to stay in touch with so.	I use <i>Instagram</i> to stay in touch with friends I met at music festivals.	mit jmdm. in Kontakt bleiben
to live for / with / without sth.	Amy lives for helping animals and volunteers at the local shelter.	für / mit / ohne etw. leben
to benefit from sth.	A lot of people could benefit from free education.	von etw. profitieren
to share one's story on the Internet	Jenna moved to Austria and decided to share her story on the Internet.	die eigene Geschichte im Internet teilen
to share one's experience with so.	He was excited to share his experience with someone who was his own age.	Erfahrungen mit jmdm. teilen
to add value to sth. / so.'s life	Volunteering allows me to add value to someone's life by providing care and support.	etw. / jmds. Leben bereichern
to protect so. from dangers	It's very natural that parents want to protect their children from dangers online.	jmdn. vor Gefahren schützen
to have access to endless opportunities	The Internet really has allowed us to have access to endless opportunities.	Zugang zu unzähligen Möglichkeiten haben
to feel isolated from the world	If you work from home and never get to work in an office, it's easy to feel isolated from the world.	sich von der Welt isoliert fühlen
to miss out on nice things	His goal is to not work so hard that he misses out on nice things.	schöne Dinge verpassen