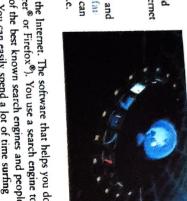
## Communications and the Internet

millions of computer users worldwide. The World containing linked documents, called pages. Wide Web / the Web is a huge portion of the Internet The Internet / the net is a network connecting

access the Internet through a wireless network, i.e. connection to the Internet - this means that you can other public places now offer people a wi-fi /waifai access to the Internet should be fast. Many cafes and If you have a broadband connection then your without needing a cable of any kind.



When you browse, you look for information on the Internet. The software that helps you do this can be called a browser (e.g. Internet Explorer® or Firefox®). You use a search engine to the net / the Web. [navigating around the Internet, sometimes aimlessly] now talk about googling someone or something. You can easily spend a lot of time surfing help you locate what you want. Google® is one of the best known search engines and people

other pages. Good websites are easy to navigate or find your way around. One option on or institution. The introductory page is called the home page. From this there are links to A website is a document on the Web giving information about a particular subject, person many websites is an FAQ page. This stands for 'frequently asked questions', a list of common If a website gets a lot of hits, that means that it has been visited by a lot of people. questions and helpful answers. You can bookmark websites that you log on to frequently.

be able to log in<sup>2</sup> to the site if you enter this information correctly. This may involve having a special username and choosing a password. You will only Sometimes you need to subscribe to a site, which means you become a member of it.

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## Online communication

provider's server is down [not functioning], you may not be able to send emails. can attach a photo, for example. You can also send someone an e-card. A server is a powerful central computer from which other computers get information. If your (ISP) internet service You can communicate with others by email. With an email you can include an attachment. You

phone calls using your computer and the Internet, and you can see which people on your contact list are online at the same time. If you each have a webcam, you can see each other You can use your computer to Skype friends and family - the software allows you to make

Many modern online programs can be called **interactive**, i.e. they allow users to become involved in the exchange of information. For example, **social networking** sites like Facebook are a popular way for people to keep in touch with their friends.

A wild is a website which allows users to add, delete and edit its contents. Wikipedia is perhaps produced by a computer, which represent a place or a situation that the gamer can take part in] can add comments to. Many people are involved in online gaming, playing with people who they have never met. Often these games make use of virtual reality, [a set of images and sounds the world's largest wiki. Blogs are also interactive as they are a kind of online diary that readers



3 Which websites have you bookmarked?

6 Do you enjoy online gaming?

## Exercises

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definition:

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	website website website quickly 4 a way of accessing a favourite website quickly 5 software that allows you to surf the web 5 software that allows you to use the web 5 a company that enables you to use the web 5 restricted that helps you to locate the websites that you need 6 a large computer that holds information that can be accessed by smaller 6 to find your way around a website or between websites 5 restricted.
14.2	Choose a word from the opposite page to complete each sentence.
	1 WWW stands for World Wide were every day - he's always got something interesting to 2 I read that journalist's every interesting comments.  say and often readers add some very interesting comments.
	4 It's wonderful being able to
	5 I've decided to to my favourite newspaper's website. It doesn't cost much and
	6 I like this website because it has lots of very useful to all sorts of other sites
	8 An website is one which allows users to add comments to it or edit its content in some way.
34.3	Are these statements true or false? If they are not true, correct them.  1 Google® is the name of a browser. False - Coogle is the name of a search engine.
	2 FAQ stands for Fast Answers to Questions. 3 If a café says that it has wi-fi access, you can get online with your laptop there. 4 A wiki is a kind of computer device.
	6 If you want to use some websites you may be asked to cince a pattern of the following the net, you log on.  7 When you want to stop using the net, you log on.  8 A website's home page is the one where you will find key information about the site
34.4	4 Over to you
	ions about yourself.
	What is your search engine of choice?     4 How often do you use social networking sites?     5 Do you write a blog or read anyone else's blog?