

## Using computers

### 1 Read the sentences and circle how true they are for you.


1 = very true 5 = not true

- 1 I enjoy using a computer to study.
- 2 We often bring our own devices to class.
- 3 Using a computer helps me to learn.
- 4 I prefer to write on paper than use a keyboard.
- 5 I prefer to read on paper than read on a computer.

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### 2 Read the blog and the headings in the box in the correct place.

Getting organised • Learning grammar  
Learning vocabulary • Listening  
Reading • Speaking • Writing



### My top tips for using a computer for self-study

Hi! I'm Sophia. Here are my ideas for using a computer to study.

- 1 .....  
I always use an online dictionary to find the meaning of new words. ☐
- 2 .....  
My teacher sometimes asks us to watch a YouTube video for homework. ☐
- 3 .....  
I enjoy reading books on my tablet and newspaper articles online. ☐
- 4 .....  
I write the notes from my lessons on the computer and keep them in different folders. ☐
- 5 .....  
I sometimes record myself using an app on my tablet or a webcam. ☐
- 6 .....  
My teacher sometimes records a video about grammar that we watch at home. ☐
- 7 .....  
My teacher often gives us writing homework to do in groups. ☐

### 3 Tick (✓) the ideas in the blog that you already do. Circle the ideas that you would like to try.

### 4 Complete the Study tips with Do or Don't.

#### STUDY TIP

Computers are very useful for studying, but you need to use them carefully.

- 1 ..... use your computer late at night.
- 2 ..... ask your teacher about useful websites or apps.
- 3 ..... copy information from websites and say it's your work.
- 4 ..... be careful about viruses when you download from the internet.
- 5 ..... try to stop using social media when you are working.
- 6 ..... take regular breaks from your computer.

### 5 Look at the photos of people using computers. Choose a Study tip from 4 for each person.



### 6 Make a Study tips poster for your wall with the title *Dos and Don'ts of computer use*. Use the questions below to help you.

Think about these questions and make notes:

- When is it best to use your computer to study?  
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- How often should you take breaks?  
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- How should you use your computer to study?  
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- Which websites are useful?  
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- What do you do wrong on the computer? How can you stop?  
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