

Review

- 1a Read the article and replace *who* and *which* with *that* where possible.

TECHNEWS



Technology myths and truths

- 1 The most economical speed at which you can drive your car is 89 kilometres per hour.
- 2 The metal detectors which you walk through at airports can damage electronic devices like laptops.
- 3 Some of the fires which have occurred at petrol stations have been caused by the electromagnetic radiation which comes from mobile phones.
- 4 Aeroplane passengers who don't switch off their electronic devices during take-off and landing are putting lives at risk.
- 5 A phone battery lasts longer if you close all apps which are open.
- 6 Fibre-optic broadband, which is made of thin glass or plastic fibres, works faster than ordinary broadband.

- b Work with a partner. Which relative pronoun in exercise 1a can be omitted?
- c 8.14))) Discuss which of the sentences in the article in exercise 1a are myths and which are true. Then listen and check.
- 2 Complete the questions with the present or past participle form of the verbs in brackets.
Can you think of ...
- 1 a word _____ (begin) with *arr*-?
 - 2 a device _____ (invent) in the 21st century?
 - 3 a vegetable _____ (introduce) to Europe from South America in the Columbian Exchange?
 - 4 an adjective _____ (use) to describe a person who refuses to change their opinion or attitude?
 - 5 a word _____ (mean) 'new'?

- 3a Which word does not collocate with the word in bold?

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| 1 high-speed wireless remote | broadband |
| 2 develop protect repair | a fault |
| 3 install send receive | data |
| 4 access protect respect | privacy |

- b Complete the questions.

- 1 Do you like to keep up to date with the l _____ technology?
- 2 What have been the biggest a _____ in technology in your field of work or study?
- 3 Have you ever experienced an online s _____ issue, e.g. a hacked email or bank account?

- c Work with a partner and answer the questions in exercise 3b.

- 4 Match the words to make adjectives to describe people.

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| 1 open- | a informed |
| 2 well- | b minded |
| 3 tech- | c confident |
| 4 self- | d savvy |
| 5 easy- | e going |

- 5a Complete the phrases in the sentences with the correct prepositions.

- 1 I only recently became aware _____ ...
- 2 I try not to get involved _____ ...
- 3 It's important not to be too dependent _____ ...
- 4 I'm not very sympathetic _____ ...
- 5 Italy is often associated _____ ...

- b Complete the sentences in exercise 5a so they are true for you. Compare your sentences with a partner.

- 6a Put the words in the right order.

- 1 violent / It / was / a bit / my / for / liking .
- 2 I / costumes / particularly / What / liked / were / the .
- 3 was / It / worth / seeing / well .
- 4 that / I / by / wasn't / it / impressed .
- 5 It / live / didn't / to / expectations / up / my .

- b Work with a partner. Choose one of the following events that you have been to recently and describe your impressions of it.

- An academic event, e.g. a lecture/talk
- A cultural event, e.g. an exhibition, play or film
- A business event, e.g. a talk or conference