

WORDS RELATED TO THE TOPIC



# TELEVISION AND RADIO

READ THE TEXT AND SAY IF TV CHANGES PEOPLE'S WAY OF THINKING

ABSORBED  
ADDITIONAL  
AGGRESSION-  
PROMOTING  
AMOUNT  
AVAILABLE  
CONTRADICTION  
COMPOSITION  
COMMUNICATE  
CHANNELS  
DATA BANKS  
DEVELOPMENTS  
ENTERTAINMENT  
ENCOURAGE  
ENJOINMENT  
FEATURE FILMS  
HARMFUL EFFECTS  
IMMATURE  
INVENTIONS  
MAJOR  
PROVIDES  
RAPID  
RECEIVING  
SATELLITE TV  
TOOLS  
VALUABLE  
VIOLENCE  
VIEWERS



There are many different kinds of mass media such as television, press, radio, the Internet. We need all of them every day, but some people prefer using only some kinds of mass media. Tastes are different and every person likes to get information in different ways.

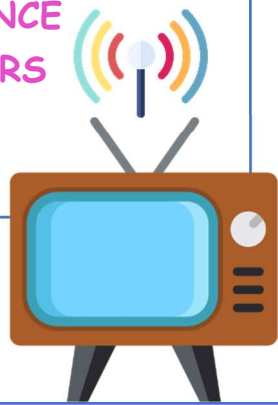
One of the greatest influences on people's lives today is television. It is one of the most important and powerful **inventions** of all time. Television has proved that it can be a wonderful **tool** of education, information as well as **harmful effects**.

TV is the source of **valuable** information. It brings the world to our living room, where we can see people of other countries; learn their customs, traditions and problems. We can see great events and famous people. The choice of programmes, modern television **provides**, is really wide: the news, **feature films**, talk shows, music programmes, documentary films, educational programmes, serials, interviews. News reports tell us about the main events of the day in the country or abroad such as economics, politics, science, culture and others.

Television started to satisfy the public's **desire** not just for **entertainment**, but also for **rapid accurate** information. Since 1980, there have been four more **major developments**. The first is video, which has given the viewer the power to control what they watch and when they watch it. The second is **satellite TV**, thanks to which lots of new **channels** are now **available** to anyone who buys a **receiving** "dish". Many of these new channels specialize in one kind of programmes - news, sport, cartoons, films, music, animal world and others. The third **development** is cable television which provides even more channels at **additional** price. Fourthly, there's HDTV (high-definition television), which now offers a much clearer and more realistic picture than was possible even a few years ago. And there are some other changes: TV sets become larger, thin and flat. Nowadays television also can be linked to computer **data banks** and the Internet and **viewers** are able to ask question what they want watching and the answer appears on their screens.

Radio has a great popularity too and it is the cheapest medium. You can hear the news or music when you are driving a car. There are many music programmes on the radio and you can ever order a **composition** for yourself or for your friends for birthday for example.

On the other hand, television and the Internet **encourage** passive **enjoyment**. They cut us from the real world. Sometimes there is too much **violence** and crime on TV and on the Internet. We can see a huge **amount** of action and horror films; we can watch documentaries about killers, gangsters and so on. Violence on TV is being **absorbed** by children's **immature** minds. **Aggression-promoting** TV programmers ever instruct young people how to do illegal things. Children see **contradiction** between the real world and the world of TV. Parents worry about the effect that television has on children.

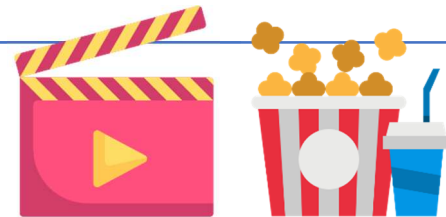


ANSWER THE QUESTIONS BELOW

1. What part of your life does television take? How often do you watch it?
2. What programmes do you watch? For what purpose?
3. Is television popular source of information today? Why? Why not?

COMPLETE THE SENTENCES ACCORDING TO THE TEXT

1. Television has proved that it can be...
2. Television encourages ...
3. TV cuts people from ...
4. TV just not only entertain but ...
5. Many of the channels specialise in ...

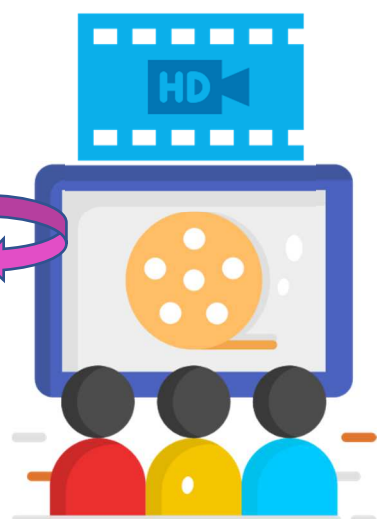


FIND IN THE TEXT THE DERIVATIVE WORDS THAT ARE FORMED OF THE WORDS BELOW AND WRITE THEM DOWN

FIND IN THE TEXT THE SENTENCES WHICH POINT OUT

- a) the positive effect of television
- b) the negative effect of television

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ADJECTIVES

POWER  
HARM  
NATURE  
ADD  
REAL  
WONDER  
POSSIBILITY

NOUNS

INVENT  
ENJOY  
ENTERTAIN  
DEVELOP  
DEFINE  
POPULAR

VERBS

SPECIAL  
SATISFACTION  
LINK



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