Rants and Raves – Technology

Activities

Before listening

Match the words below to make strong collocations. When you have finished, try to think of more related to technology.

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1. open
2. working
3. peace
4. human
5. phone
6. local
7. computerised

Listen to the recording and check your collocations.
After listening

Answer the questions. Circle true or false, or write short answers.

1. The speaker enjoys using technology.
   True      False

2. The speaker talks on the phone more than using social networking sites.
   True      False

3. What does the speaker do on Saturday morning?

4. Why does the speaker go to the pub?

5. How does the weekend help the speaker?

Extension

Discuss the following

If you could uninvent any piece of technology, what would it be and why?

What’s the most important piece of technology in your life?

What piece of technology has had the most impact on society?

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