

I Can't imagine life without a Computer!

Jerry and Sandra are talking about important inventions.

Read their conversation and answer the questions. Write complete sentences.

- Jerry OK, so what do you think is the most useful invention then?
- Sandra What, in the world? Yeah, well, that's a difficult question! Hmm, I'm pretty sure I couldn't live without a television!
- Jerry Really?
- Sandra Yes, really! I mean, what would I do after school every day and at the weekends?
- Jerry But television is just entertainment, isn't it? Do you think it's useful?
- Sandra Well, yeah – it means we can learn about major news events. You know, with digital television and 24-hour channels, we can always find out what's happening in the world. Yeah, I think it's really useful. But anyway, what about you then? What invention do you think is the most useful?
- Jerry Hmm ... well, my computer means everything to me.
- Sandra Do you use it a lot?
- Jerry Yes, all the time. Yes, I'd certainly say it's the most useful invention in our house – even more useful than my mobile phone! You know, I do my homework on it, send emails to my friends, and visit websites and chat rooms.
- Sandra Do you have it in your bedroom?
- Jerry Well, no, it's in the study. You see, my mum and dad sometimes use it for work, too. And hey, if it crashes, we all get really annoyed!
- Sandra We haven't got a computer at home, so I don't use one much.
- Jerry Really, I can't imagine life without a computer!

Questions:

- 1 What does Sandra think is the most useful invention?
- 2 How often does she use it?
- 3 In Jerry's opinion, what is the main purpose of TV?
- 4 In Sandra's opinion, which types of TV programmes are very useful?
- 5 What is the most important thing that Jerry owns?
- 6 Which other useful invention does he mention?
- 7 How does his computer help him with his school work?
- 8 How does he use it to communicate with his friends?
- 9 Who else uses Jerry's computer?
- 10 Why doesn't Sandra use a computer much?

