

5. Media

Nowadays most people can't imagine life without Internet. You can access the internet from home, using a modem, but there is mobile internet as well. You can gain information on several things, check timetables of trains, or book tickets and accommodation. You can read articles, or search for information to your homework.

The abbreviation of 'www' means World Wide Web.

People go to the library to borrow books, read newspapers, listen to music, or use computers. In libraries different programmes are arranged, such as when writers meet readers. I like reading books better than watching a movie because I can imagine the characters and places according to my own fantasy.

In Hungary, there are local and national newspapers. The local newspapers tend to concentrate on the news of the county. As for the national newspaper there are two types: the quality newspapers which focus on more serious topics and the tabloids which concentrate on murders, tragedies, gossips.

It is similar in Great Britain, there are broadsheets and tabloids.

People in Hungary only watch TV in the evening when they are at home after work or school. At weekends people have more free time to watch films and series. If you have a cable TV you can watch lots of channels, both in Hungarian and in foreign languages.

People who sit in front of the TV all the time are called couch potatoes.

People usually download films because they don't like the commercials that interrupt the films which are very annoying.

You can listen to radio everywhere whether you are travelling or you are doing housework. Most people listen to the news or entertaining programmes with music.

Local commercial radio stations offer information on local events, so many people prefer listening to them to national radio stations.

