

**A** Circle the answers.

1. A DVD player is an \_\_\_\_ device that plays DVDs.  
a. manual     **(b.)** electronic
2. People shouldn't use their cell phones in the library. It's \_\_\_\_ .  
a. distracting     b. convenient
3. When you find a new way of doing something, it is \_\_\_\_ .  
a. electronic     b. innovative
4. I get too much \_\_\_\_ in my e-mail, and it takes time to delete it.  
a. text     b. spam
5. I think cell phones are useful and save time. They're very \_\_\_\_ .  
a. interesting     b. convenient
6. You can send \_\_\_\_ on a cell phone.  
a. devices     b. text messages

**B** Complete the sentences. Use *saves* or *wastes*.

1. A cell phone saves time because you don't need to look for a pay phone.
2. E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ time because you have to delete lots of spam.
3. A calculator \_\_\_\_\_ time because you don't have to do math in your head.
4. A digital camera \_\_\_\_\_ time because you take too many pictures.
5. Using a computer \_\_\_\_\_ time because it's faster than writing by hand.
6. The Internet \_\_\_\_\_ time because you don't need to go to the library.

**C** Write the names of your two favorite time-saving devices. Then write your opinion about whether the devices save or waste time. If you don't know the name of a device in English, draw a picture of it.

Device	Your opinion

**A** Complete the sentences.

convenient	distracting	electronic	innovative	spam	text messages
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1. A DVD player is an electronic device that plays DVDs.
2. People shouldn't use their cell phones in the library. It's \_\_\_\_\_.
3. When you find a new way of doing something, it is \_\_\_\_\_.
4. I get too much \_\_\_\_\_ in my e-mail, and it takes time to delete it.
5. I think cell phones are useful and save time. They're very \_\_\_\_\_.
6. You can send \_\_\_\_\_ on a cell phone.

**B** Complete the sentences. Use the words in the box.

calculator	cell phone	computer	digital camera	e-mail	the Internet
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1. A cell phone saves time because you don't need to look for a pay phone.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ wastes time because you have to delete lots of spam.
3. A \_\_\_\_\_ saves time because you don't have to do math in your head.
4. A \_\_\_\_\_ wastes time because you take too many pictures.
5. Using a \_\_\_\_\_ saves time because it's faster than writing by hand.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ saves time because you don't need to go to the library.

**C** Write the names of your three favorite time-saving devices. Then write your opinion about whether the devices save or waste time. If you don't know the name of a device in English, draw a picture of it.

Device	Your opinion

**A** Complete the sentences.

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2. People shouldn't use their cell phones in the library.  
It's d \_\_\_\_\_ g.
3. When you find a new way of doing something, it is i \_\_\_\_\_ ve.
4. I get too much s \_\_\_\_\_ m in my e-mail, and it takes time to delete it.
5. I think cell phones are useful and save time. They're very c \_\_\_\_\_ t.
6. You can send t \_\_\_\_\_ t m \_\_\_\_\_ s on a cell phone.

**B** Complete the sentences with the phrases in the box. Use *saves* or *wastes*.

it's faster than writing by hand	you don't need to look for a pay phone
you don't need to go to the library	you have to delete lots of spam
you don't have to do math in your head	you take too many pictures

1. A cell phone \_\_\_\_\_ *saves* \_\_\_\_\_ time because \_\_\_\_\_ *you don't need to look for a pay phone* \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ time because \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. A calculator \_\_\_\_\_ time because \_\_\_\_\_ .
4. A digital camera \_\_\_\_\_ time because \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. Using a computer \_\_\_\_\_ time because \_\_\_\_\_ .
6. The Internet \_\_\_\_\_ time because \_\_\_\_\_ .

**C** Write the names of your four favorite time-saving devices. Then write your opinion about whether the devices save or waste time. If you don't know the name of a device in English, draw a picture of it.

Device	Your opinion



# Lesson B

## Clauses of concession

### A Combine the sentences.

1. I have a cell phone. I prefer to use e-mail.

Even though I have a cell phone, I prefer to use e-mail .

2. My brother lives nearby. I don't see him much.

Even though \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ .

3. Jerry prefers to write letters by hand. He has e-mail at home.

\_\_\_\_\_ even though \_\_\_\_\_ .

4. Steve has a car. He rides his bicycle to work every day.

Even though \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ .

5. Wanda doesn't want an air conditioner. Her house gets hot in summer.

\_\_\_\_\_ even though \_\_\_\_\_ .

6. Olga loves watching movies. She doesn't want a DVD player.

Even though \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ .

### B Roberta has a lot of technology in her home. Complete the sentences.

an air conditioner	a computer	a dryer
a cell phone	a dishwasher	a DVD player

1. Although she has a computer , she doesn't use the Internet at home.

2. Although she has \_\_\_\_\_ , she doesn't call me.

3. Although she has \_\_\_\_\_ , she goes to the movies a lot.

4. Although she has \_\_\_\_\_ , she hangs her washing on the line.

5. Although she has \_\_\_\_\_ , she uses a fan.

6. Although she has \_\_\_\_\_ , she washes dishes in the sink.

### C Complete the sentences with information about yourself.

Example: Although I have a DVD player at home , I prefer to go to the movies .

1. Although I have a \_\_\_\_\_ , I prefer to \_\_\_\_\_ .

2. I don't like to \_\_\_\_\_ even though \_\_\_\_\_ .

**A** Combine the sentences. Use *even though*.

1. I have a cell phone. I prefer to use e-mail.

Even though I have a cell phone, I prefer to use e-mail.

2. My brother lives nearby. I don't see him much.

\_\_\_\_\_

3. Jerry prefers to write letters by hand. He has e-mail at home.

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Steve has a car. He rides his bicycle to work every day.

\_\_\_\_\_

5. Wanda doesn't want an air conditioner. Her house gets hot in summer.

\_\_\_\_\_

6. Olga loves watching movies. She doesn't want a DVD player.

\_\_\_\_\_

**B** Roberta has a lot of technology in her home. Complete the sentences.  
Use *although*.

an air conditioner	a computer	a dryer
a cell phone	a dishwasher	a DVD player

- 1.
- Although she has a computer
- \_\_\_\_\_, she doesn't use the Internet at home.

2. \_\_\_\_\_, she doesn't call me.

3. \_\_\_\_\_, she goes to the movies a lot.

4. \_\_\_\_\_, she hangs her washing on the line.

5. \_\_\_\_\_, she uses a fan.

6. \_\_\_\_\_, she washes dishes in the sink.

**C** Complete the sentences with information about yourself.Example: Although I have a DVD player at home, I prefer to go to the movies.

1. Although I have a \_\_\_\_\_, I prefer to \_\_\_\_\_.

2. I don't like to \_\_\_\_\_ even though \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Even though \_\_\_\_\_, I don't like to \_\_\_\_\_.

**A** Match. Then combine the sentences. Use *even though*.

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|--|--|
| 1. I have a cell phone. <u>e</u>                 | a. He has e-mail at home.                  |
| 2. My brother lives nearby. _____                | b. She doesn't want a DVD player.          |
| 3. Jerry prefers to write letters by hand. _____ | c. He rides his bicycle to work every day. |
| 4. Steve has a car. _____                        | d. I don't see him much.                   |
| 5. Wanda doesn't want an air conditioner. _____  | e. I prefer to use e-mail.                 |
| 6. Olga loves watching movies. _____             | f. Her house gets hot in summer.           |

1. Even though I have a cell phone, I prefer to use e-mail.
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

**B** Roberta has a lot of technology in her home. Complete the sentences. Use *although*.

1. Although she has a computer \_\_\_\_\_, she doesn't use the Internet at home.
2. \_\_\_\_\_, she doesn't call me.
3. \_\_\_\_\_, she goes to the movies a lot.
4. \_\_\_\_\_, she hangs her washing on the line.
5. \_\_\_\_\_, she uses a fan.
6. \_\_\_\_\_, she washes dishes in the sink.

**C** Complete the sentences with information about yourself.

Example: Although I have a DVD player at home \_\_\_\_\_, I prefer to go to the movies \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Although I have a \_\_\_\_\_, I prefer to \_\_\_\_\_.
2. I don't like to \_\_\_\_\_ even though \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Even though \_\_\_\_\_, I don't like to \_\_\_\_\_.
4. I always \_\_\_\_\_ although \_\_\_\_\_.

## Lesson C

**Clauses of reason and concession****A** Circle the correct words.

1. **Because** / **Although** an electric oven takes longer, I prefer to cook with one.
2. **Because** / **Although** an electronic dictionary is light, Jim keeps one in his backpack.
3. **Because** / **Although** a dryer is noisy, Lucas uses one when he does laundry.
4. **Because** / **Although** dishwashers use a lot of water, we wash our dishes by hand.
5. **Because** / **Although** biking is good exercise, I bike to work.
6. **Because** / **Although** I am an excellent cook, I usually eat out.

**B** Correct the sentences. Add the missing word.

1. Although <sup>he</sup> has a car, Sam takes the subway to work. (he)
2. Frank talks to his friends over the Internet it is free. (because)
3. Although they save a lot of time, I like electrical appliances. (don't)
4. Victor buys his lunch because he doesn't time to make one at home. (have)
5. It is faster by subway, Joe and Mei-lin drive to work. (although)
6. We often buy food online although it more expensive. (is)

**C** Choose a topic. Complete the sentences with information about yourself.

drive to school      shop online

Example: Although driving to school is faster, I walk to school.

I walk to school because it's healthier.

Although \_\_\_\_\_, I \_\_\_\_\_.

I \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_.

## Lesson C

## Clauses of reason and concession

**A** Complete the sentences.

I bike to work	Jim keeps one in his backpack
I prefer to cook with one	Lucas uses one when he does laundry
I usually eat out	we wash our dishes by hand

1. Although an electric oven takes longer, *I prefer to cook with one* .
2. Because an electronic dictionary is light, \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. Although a dryer is noisy, \_\_\_\_\_ .
4. Because dishwashers use a lot of water, \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. Because biking is good exercise, \_\_\_\_\_ .
6. Although I am an excellent cook, \_\_\_\_\_ .

**B** Correct the sentences. Add the missing word.

although	because	don't	have	he	is
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1. Although <sup>he</sup> has a car, Sam takes the subway to work.
2. Frank talks to his friends over the Internet it is free.
3. Although they save a lot of time, I like electrical appliances.
4. Victor buys his lunch because he doesn't time to make one at home.
5. It is faster by subway, Joe and Mei-lin drive to work.
6. We often buy food online although it more expensive.

**C** Choose two topics. Write sentences with information about yourself.  
Use *because* and *although*.

drive to school	shop online	use a cell phone
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Example: *Although driving to school is faster, I walk to school because it's healthier.*

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



## Lesson C

## Clauses of reason and concession



**A** Match. Then combine the sentences. Use *because* or *although*.

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|---|---|
| 1. An electric oven takes longer. <u>d</u>  | a. We wash our dishes by hand.          |
| 2. An electronic dictionary is light. _____ | b. I usually eat out.                   |
| 3. A dryer is noisy. _____                  | c. I bike to work.                      |
| 4. Dishwashers use a lot of water. _____    | d. I prefer to cook with one.           |
| 5. Biking is good exercise. _____           | e. Lucas uses one when he does laundry. |
| 6. I am an excellent cook. _____            | f. Jim keeps one in his backpack.       |

1. Although an electric oven takes longer, I prefer to cook with one.

2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

**B** Correct the sentences. Add the missing word.

- Although <sup>he</sup> has a car, Sam takes the subway to work.
- Frank talks to his friends over the Internet it is free.
- Although they save a lot of time, I like electrical appliances.
- Victor buys his lunch because he doesn't time to make one at home.
- It is faster by subway, Joe and Mei-lin drive to work.
- We often buy food online although it more expensive.

**C** Choose three topics. Write sentences with information about yourself. Use *because* and *although*.

drive to school	shop online	use a cell phone	(your own idea)
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Example: Although driving to school is faster, I walk to school because it's healthier.

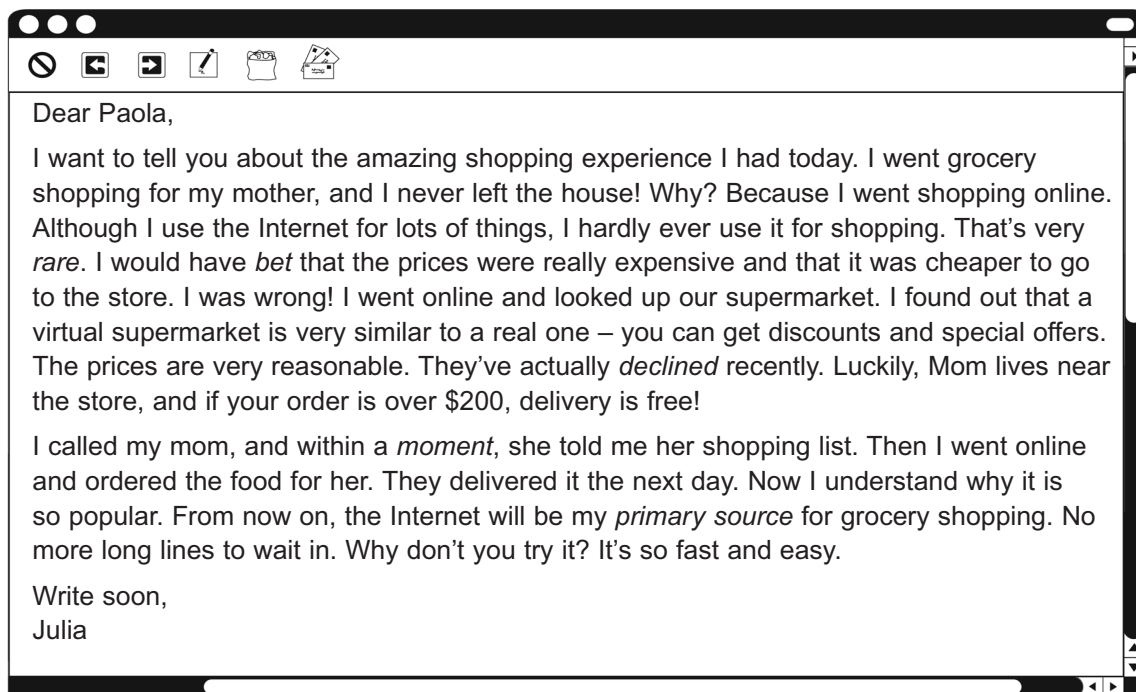
1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_



**A** Scan the e-mail. Find the words in *italics*. Then circle the correct definition for each word.

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|-------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1. rare     | (a) unusual             | b. common                             |
| 2. bet      | a. to have money        | b. to risk money                      |
| 3. declined | a. gone up              | b. gone down                          |
| 4. moment   | a. a very short time    | b. an hour                            |
| 5. primary  | a. first in importance  | b. the last one                       |
| 6. source   | a. a place to travel to | b. a place where something comes from |

**B** Read the e-mail. Match the questions with the answers.



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|--|---|
| 1. What is rare for Julia? <u>c</u>                                    | a. It only took Julia's mom a moment.       |
| 2. Why didn't she try it before? _____                                 | b. The Internet will be her primary source. |
| 3. What did she find out about prices? _____                           | c. It's rare for Julia to shop online.      |
| 4. What have the prices done recently? _____                           | d. The prices are reasonable.               |
| 5. How long did it take Julia's mom to give her a shopping list? _____ | e. The prices have declined.                |
| 6. What will be Julia's main place for grocery shopping? _____         | f. She thought the prices were expensive.   |



**A** Scan the e-mail. Find the words in *italics*. Then match each word with the correct definition.

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|------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1. rare <i>d</i> _____ | a. gone down                          |
| 2. bet _____           | b. first in importance                |
| 3. declined _____      | c. a place where something comes from |
| 4. moment _____        | d. unusual                            |
| 5. primary _____       | e. to risk money                      |
| 6. source _____        | f. a very short time                  |

**B** Read the e-mail. Answer the questions. Use the words in the box.

Dear Paola,

I want to tell you about the amazing shopping experience I had today. I went grocery shopping for my mother, and I never left the house! Why? Because I went shopping online. Although I use the Internet for lots of things, I hardly ever use it for shopping. That's very *rare*. I would have *bet* that the prices were really expensive and that it was cheaper to go to the store. I was wrong! I went online and looked up our supermarket. I found out that a virtual supermarket is very similar to a real one – you can get discounts and special offers. The prices are very reasonable. They've actually *declined* recently. Luckily, Mom lives near the store, and if your order is over \$200, delivery is free!

I called my mom, and within a *moment*, she told me her shopping list. Then I went online and ordered the food for her. They delivered it the next day. Now I understand why it is so popular. From now on, the Internet will be my *primary source* for grocery shopping. No more long lines to wait in. Why don't you try it? It's so fast and easy.

Write soon,  
Julia

declined      expensive      moment      primary source      reasonable      shop online

- What is rare for Julia? It's rare for Julia to \_\_\_\_\_ .
- Why didn't she try it before? She thought the prices were \_\_\_\_\_ .
- What did she find out about prices? The prices are \_\_\_\_\_ .
- What have the prices done recently? The prices have \_\_\_\_\_ .
- How long did it take Julia's mom to give her a shopping list? It only took Julia's mom a \_\_\_\_\_ .
- What will be Julia's main place for grocery shopping? The Internet will be her \_\_\_\_\_ .

**A** Write a word for each definition.

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|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. unusual                            | r <u>a</u> <u>r</u> <u>e</u> |
| 2. to risk money                      | b _ _                        |
| 3. gone down                          | d _ _ _ _ _                  |
| 4. a very short time                  | m _ _ _ _                    |
| 5. first in importance                | p _ _ _ _                    |
| 6. a place where something comes from | s _ _ _ _                    |

**B** Complete the e-mail. Use the words from Exercise A. Then answer the questions.

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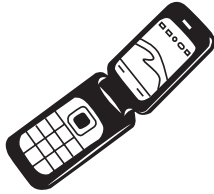
**A** Match each pair of positive and negative adjectives to the correct device.

+ easy to use  
- noisy

+ convenient  
- distracting

+ light  
- expensive

1



cell phone

+ convenient- distracting

2



dishwasher

+

- \_\_\_\_\_

3

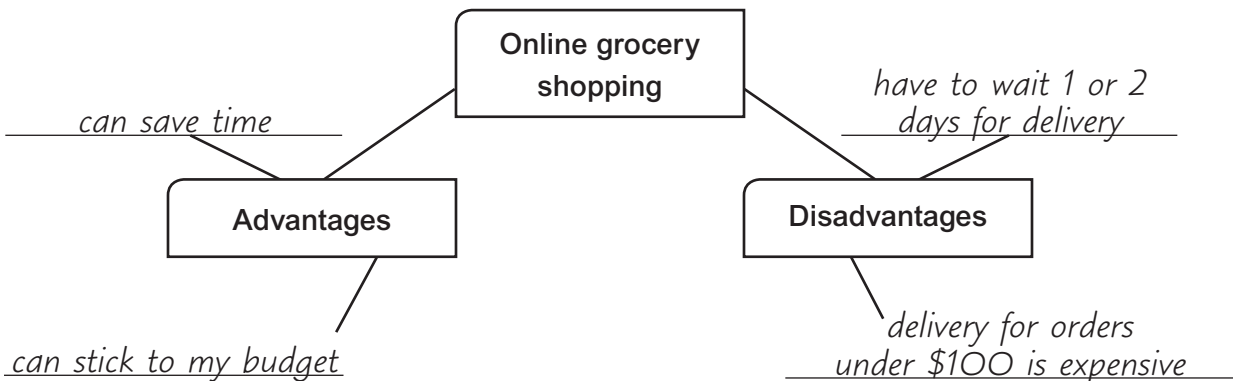


MP3 player

+

- \_\_\_\_\_

**B** Read the diagram. Complete the sentences in the story.



### My Favorite Time-saving Activity

My favorite time-saving activity is online grocery shopping. Although I used to enjoy going to the store, it took a lot of time. I used to spend at least one evening a week on grocery shopping. Now I shop online. I \_\_\_\_\_ because I don't have to drive to the store, and I don't have to wait in line. Another benefit of online shopping is that I \_\_\_\_\_ (and my diet!) because I don't buy cookies or chips. One disadvantage is that I have to wait \_\_\_\_\_. Another disadvantage is that \_\_\_\_\_.



**A** Write one positive adjective and one negative adjective for each device.

convenient    distracting    easy to use    expensive    light    noisy

1



cell phone

+ convenient

- \_\_\_\_\_

2



dishwasher

+ \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_

3



MP3 player

+ \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_

**B** Complete the diagram. Use the information in the box. Then complete the sentences in the story.

can save time

can stick to my budget

delivery for orders under \$100 is expensive

have to wait 1 or 2 days for delivery

can save time

Online grocery shopping

Advantages

Disadvantages

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\_\_\_\_\_. Another disadvantage is that \_\_\_\_\_.



**A** Write one positive adjective and one negative adjective for each device. Add one more adjective and label it positive (+) or negative (-).

convenient    distracting    easy to use    expensive    light    noisy

1



cell phone

+ convenient

- \_\_\_\_\_

☐ \_\_\_\_\_

2



dishwasher

+ \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_

☐ \_\_\_\_\_

3



MP3 player

+ \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_

☐ \_\_\_\_\_

**B** Complete the diagram. Use your own ideas. Then complete the story.



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\_\_\_\_\_. Another disadvantage is that

\_\_\_\_\_.



**A** Read the results of the survey. Circle the answers.

**Online Purchases by Students at Hall College  
(Percentage of Students)**

Type of item	2010	2011	2012
1. Books	34	45	63
2. Clothes	29	31	40
3. Music	43	54	65
4. Groceries	12	15	10
5. Electrical appliances	7	15	9
6. Airline tickets	15	35	52

- In 2010, the most popular product students bought online was \_\_\_\_ .  
 (a.) music      b. books
- In 2010, fewer than 10 percent of students used the Internet to buy \_\_\_\_ .  
 a. groceries      b. electrical appliances
- In 2012, buying books was less popular than buying \_\_\_\_ .  
 a. clothes      b. music
- From 2010 to 2012, there was a decline in the percentage of students who bought \_\_\_\_ online.  
 a. groceries      b. airline tickets
- From 2010 to 2012, the greatest increase was in buying \_\_\_\_ .  
 a. books      b. airline tickets
- In 2012, buying groceries was more popular than buying \_\_\_\_ .  
 a. music      b. electrical appliances

**B** Choose an item from the survey. Complete the chart.

Item	Advantage of buying online	Disadvantage of buying online
<i>Books</i>	<i>You have a big choice of book titles.</i>	<i>You cannot skim parts of the book before you buy it.</i>





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 a. music      b. electrical appliances      c. clothes

**B** Choose two items from the survey. Complete the chart.

Item	Advantage of buying online	Disadvantage of buying online
<i>Books</i>	<i>You have a big choice of book titles.</i>	<i>You cannot skim parts of the book before you buy it.</i>



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**B** Choose three items from the survey. Complete the chart.

Item	Advantage of buying online	Disadvantage of buying online
<i>Books</i>	<i>You have a big choice of book titles.</i>	<i>You cannot skim parts of the book before you buy it.</i>