

Got the Message? Language & Communication

Grades 3-6 (5 book set)

Whether we realize it or not we are communicating all the time! Communication is the act of transmitting a message, opinion, information, instructions, and feedback. Making a movie, coding, blogging, creating music, signing, sending emoji's, even smoke signals communicate a message! Take an educational adventure through language and communication as you think about what you want to share with the world.

Books in this set: How to Blogger in 10 Easy Lessons, How to Vlogger in 10 Easy Lessons, How to Code in 10 Easy Lessons, How to Make a Movie in 10 Easy Lessons, You Talking to Me?, The School of Music

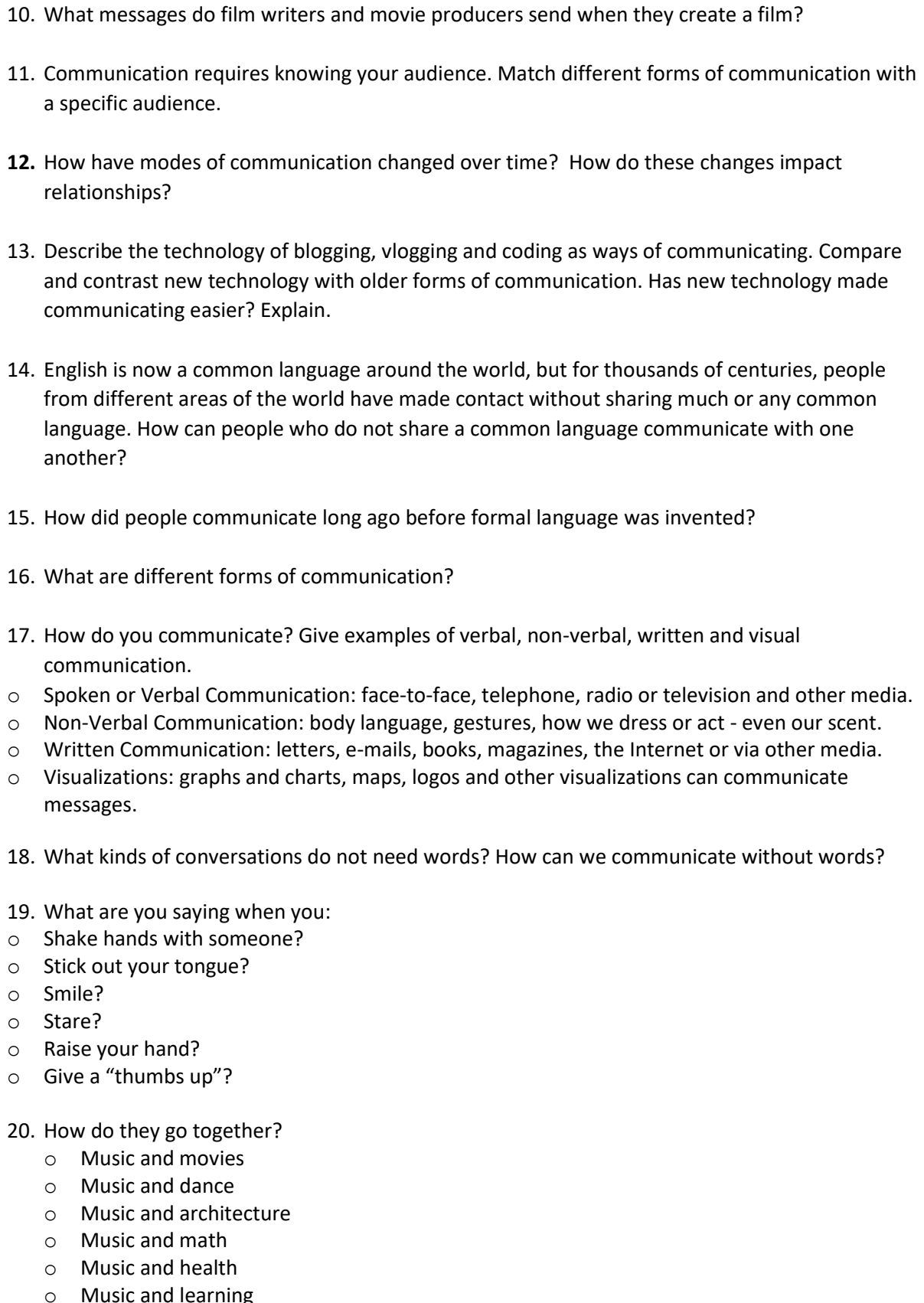
Learning Objectives: To understand different forms of language and communication and the history, present day and future of communication.

Essential Questions in This Set:

- What is communication?
- How do people communicate?
- How has communication evolved or changed over time?
- What different types of communications exist within our world?

Read to find out:

1. What is communication?
2. Why is communication important?
3. Find examples of how we communicate daily.
4. What would happen if you lost touch with all forms of communication for a 24-hour period?
5. Find different forms of communications throughout the texts. Explain how each is used in our society.
6. What creates effective communication?
7. How can culture interfere with communication?
8. How is communication expressed? Find examples of written, verbal and non-verbal communication.
9. How do we communicate using stories?

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10. What messages do film writers and movie producers send when they create a film?
 11. Communication requires knowing your audience. Match different forms of communication with a specific audience.
 12. How have modes of communication changed over time? How do these changes impact relationships?
 13. Describe the technology of blogging, vlogging and coding as ways of communicating. Compare and contrast new technology with older forms of communication. Has new technology made communicating easier? Explain.
 14. English is now a common language around the world, but for thousands of centuries, people from different areas of the world have made contact without sharing much or any common language. How can people who do not share a common language communicate with one another?
 15. How did people communicate long ago before formal language was invented?
 16. What are different forms of communication?
 17. How do you communicate? Give examples of verbal, non-verbal, written and visual communication.
 - Spoken or Verbal Communication: face-to-face, telephone, radio or television and other media.
 - Non-Verbal Communication: body language, gestures, how we dress or act - even our scent.
 - Written Communication: letters, e-mails, books, magazines, the Internet or via other media.
 - Visualizations: graphs and charts, maps, logos and other visualizations can communicate messages.
 18. What kinds of conversations do not need words? How can we communicate without words?
 19. What are you saying when you:
 - Shake hands with someone?
 - Stick out your tongue?
 - Smile?
 - Stare?
 - Raise your hand?
 - Give a “thumbs up”?
 20. How do they go together?
 - Music and movies
 - Music and dance
 - Music and architecture
 - Music and math
 - Music and health
 - Music and learning

Activities

Research the history and impact of music as a form of communication in the early stages of human life to the present. Some researchers believe that early forms of human language developed from communication through music.

What does this quote mean?

“There is a wonderful world of music out there. One that tells us through its captivating web of sounds a wider story of human civilization. Love and war, joy and sadness, struggle and hope, history, geography language- even math.”

Create a plan for a blog and a vlog. Go through the 10 steps in the Super Skills series.

Create a presentation on how animals communicate using stares, songs, smells, color, lights and more.

Make a dictionary of emoji’s or slang.

Find a current events article in the Newspaper demonstrating how culture or society can interfere with communication?

For more information on this topic, please refer to the books below:

9781633220126	How To Make a Movie
9781847808615	School of Music, The
9781633221055	Super Skills How to Be a Blogger & Vlogger
9781633220508	Super Skills How to Code
9781633221550	You Talking To Me?: Discover the World of Words, Codes, Emojis, Signs, Slang, Smoke Signals, Barks, Babbles, Growls, Gestures, Hieroglyphics & More