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Digital Cameras

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Digital cameras are so useful. I love my digital camera. I take it everywhere with me. My friends think I'm mad, but I've got thousands of really good photos. Digital cameras are so much better than the old cameras with film. They're also much better than mobile phone cameras. My digital camera fits in my pocket and takes great photos. I usually take a few photos every day and then put them online for my friends to see. The best thing about digital cameras is that they are so easy to use. It's child's play. The good thing is that digital cameras today give the same quality photos as you could only get on really expensive cameras. All you need is 10 to 12 megapixels. That's more than enough.

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
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STUDENT DIGITAL CAMERAS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about digital cameras in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.
When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.



WRITING

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Write about digital cameras for 10 minutes. Show your partner your paper. Correct each other's work.

HOMEWORK

- 1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION:** Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.
- 2. INTERNET INFO:** Search the Internet and find more information about digital cameras. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.
- 3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE:** Write a magazine article about digital cameras. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.
- 4. DIGITAL CAMERAS POSTER** Make a poster about digital cameras. Show it to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your posters.
- 5. MY DIGITAL CAMERAS LESSON:** Make your own English lesson on digital cameras. Make sure there is a good mix of things to do. Find some good online activities. Teach the class / another group when you have finished.
- 6. ONLINE SHARING:** Use your blog, wiki, Facebook page, MySpace page, Twitter stream, Del-icio-us / StumbleUpon account, or any other social media tool to get opinions on digital cameras. Share your findings with the class.

