## **DIGITAL SKILLS FOR TEENS**



### **Online magazines – Pre-Intermediate**

#### Let's discuss

- A Read the text and answer the questions.
- Ask students to look at the text and discuss the questions in pairs. Elicit why online reading may be more fun / boring in their opinion.

# What is an online magazine? Extra information

An online magazine is a magazine which is published on the internet. It is similar to a blog or online newspaper, and it has lots of interesting articles and information. Most traditional paper publications these days have an online component, which in many cases is free. However, sometimes the public have to pay a subscription fee to read this online content.

In today's society, many people prefer online magazines and newspapers because the information given is current and constantly updated. This is particularly important when reading the news online. In addition, they can be read anywhere, anytime as people have internet access on their mobile phones and tablets.

#### Key

- 1 A magazine which is published on the internet.
- 2 Students' own answers.
- 3 Students' own answers.

#### Let's analyse

- A Look at the online magazine article. Answer the questions in groups.
- Ask students to look at the online magazine article and discuss the questions in groups of three or four. Elicit some answers and discuss as a class.

#### Key

- 1 It's about the Tower of London.
- 2 It looks similar: it has a title, a text in paragraphs and an image.
- **3** The picture makes the article more interesting for the reader.
- 4 You turn the pages by clicking on the arrow (it usually makes a page-turning sound too).
- Go online and type keywords to find websites that can help students create online magazines.
- Try making a group magazine article using suggestions from the class. Ask students what museum or free time activity they want to feature in the article and what information and photos they want to include. Make the magazine article on screen.

#### Let's do it!

- This can be completed in class or as homework.
- Ask students to create a magazine article about a museum or free time activity in their town / city.
- Once you have all the links to the magazine articles, use one lesson to view them all as a class. Students can vote for their favourites and choose the best three.

