

Video Zone: Worst Christmas presents – exercises

This video asks people about the most bizarre electrical Christmas present they have ever received. Have you ever received a strange electrical gift?

Do the preparation task first. Then, watch the video and do the exercises. Remember you can check the transcript at any time.

Preparation: matching

Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a – h next to the numbers 1 – 8.

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| 1..... a Tamagotchi | a. strange |
| 2..... a hairdryer | b. to remove |
| 3..... to attach | c. a hand-held Japanese digital pet |
| 4..... an alarm clock | d. something that dries your hair |
| 5..... to delete | e. a clock that makes a noise to wake you up |
| 6..... a personal attack alarm | f. a container to keep pens and pencils in |
| 7..... bizarre | g. a device that lets off a loud noise if you are in danger |
| 8..... a stationery pot | h. to connect or join something together |

1. Check your understanding: gap fill

Complete the sentences with the presents in the box.

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| a travel hairdryer | a personal attack alarm | an alarm clock | a Tamagotchi |
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1. The first speaker's worst Christmas present was _____.
2. The second speaker's worst Christmas present was _____.
3. The third speaker's worst Christmas present was _____.
4. The fourth speaker's worst Christmas present was _____.

2. Check your understanding: multiple choice

Circle the best answer to complete these sentences.

1. The Tamagotchi has _____.
 - a. 4 pets
 - b. 24 pets
 - c. 34 pets

2. The travel hairdryer was a bizarre present because _____.
 - a. he had no hair and never travelled
 - b. he had lots of hair and always travelled
 - c. he had really short hair and very rarely travelled

3. The alarm clock was also _____.
 - a. a stationery pot
 - b. a flowerpot
 - c. a teapot

4. The alarm clock was _____.
 - a. recycled
 - b. thrown away
 - c. given to a friend

5. The personal attack alarm could be attached to _____.
 - a. your bag
 - b. your hand
 - c. your keys

6. The personal attack alarm would fall underneath the _____.
 - a. car seat
 - b. car door
 - c. car mat

Discussion

What's the worst present you've ever received?

What do you do if somebody gives you a present that you don't like?