

# "Then & Now"

How Our Personal Lives Have Changed



# Warm-up

Think about this question:

What is one object (not a smartphone or computer) you use every day now that didn't exist in 1990?

# Key Language

## Comparing the Past and Present

- In 1990, I used to...
- Back then, I...
- Nowadays, I...
- Compared to 1990, my life is...

# Key Vocabulary

take for granted

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(verb phrase) to not realize or appreciate how valuable something is.

Example: Nowadays, we take it for granted that we can call anyone, anytime.

landline phone

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(noun) a phone connected by a wire, not a mobile phone.

Example: In 1990, I used to spend hours talking to my friends on the landline phone.



drastically

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(adverb) in a very big and sudden way.

Example: My daily routine has changed drastically since the internet became common.

inconvenient

# **inconvenient**

(adjective) causing problems or  
difficulty.

Example: It was so inconvenient when we had to go to the  
bank for everything.

# Today's Game

Past & Present Predictions

# How to Play

- **Step 1:** One student draws a card and reads the question.
- **Step 2:** The other students **predict** the reader's answer for **1990**.
- **Step 3:** The reader reveals their real 1990 answer.  
(1 point for a correct guess!)
- **Step 4:** The reader also shares their answer for today (2025).
- **Step 5:** The next person draws a card.

# Let's Play!

Round 1: 20 minutes

# Partner Change!

Please find a new group.



# Final Discussion

What was the most surprising or interesting thing you learned about a classmate today?

# Thank You!

Q&A and Exit Tickets