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Class: VI-VIII
Communication

Dear learners, today we are going to learn about different kinds of communication.

A. What is communication?

Communication is the act of conveying information. There are different kinds of communication. Such as:

- (a) Spoken or Verbal communication- face-to-face, telephone, radio, television etc.
- (b) Non-verbal communication- body language, acting, pictures, signs, logos etc.
- (c) Written communication- letters, e-mails, books, magazines, internet etc.

Look at the pictures and write down what kind of communication it is. One has been done for you.

1. Face to face communication

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

How to do: List down types of communication you have done today.

B. Non-verbal communication

Do we always need to say something to communicate? Sometimes we see different signs around us through which communication takes place. Look at the signs below and match them with their meanings.

Signs	Meaning of the signs
	Recycle
	Fire Exit
	No Cell Phone
	No Smoking
	Garbage

How to do: Work individually and check the answers in pairs. Note down other signs that you find around you.

C. Role of computers in communication

Read the passage and fill up the missing information in the boxes.

Computers have brought a revolutionary change in the history of communication. All the systems that we see today in a computer did not start altogether. Different people at different times added new things to the computer. The first computer was invented in 1821 but we had to wait for more than a hundred years to play games on the computer. In 1962, for the first time, people could play games on the computer. Then after nine years we were able to send emails. Still personal computers were not available till 1975. After eight years, global internet was created which brought a true revolutionary change in transferring information around the world. Finally, at the beginning of the 21st century, a new era of communication started with social networking sites like Facebook which attracted people of all ages.

1821
The first computer was invented

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1962
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1971
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1975
first personal computer

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The 21st century
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1983
Global Internet was created

How to do: Draw this chart on a poster paper and hang it in the classroom.

D. Communication- Now and Then

Communication system has changed over the years. Look at the pictures and compare the communication systems of the 19th century with the 21st century. One has been done for you.

1. You want to talk to your friends:

19th century
Before you had to visit your friends to talk.

21st century
Now you can talk to your friends on a mobile phone.

3. You want to send a letter from Dhaka to New York:

19th century
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21st century
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How to do: After the task, discuss with an elderly person in your family and find out the communication system of their time.

E. What would have happened

Look at the pictures and write down what would have happened if these communicative tools were not invented. One has been done for you.

Tools for communication	What would have happened without them
BRILLE	If the Braille had not been invented, blind people would not have been able to read. Or, Blind people would not have been able to read if the Braille had not been invented.
INTERNET	We would not have been able to get information quickly
RADIO	If the radio had not been invented,
CAMERA	If the camera had not been invented,

How to do: Do it individually and share the answers with the class. You may have multiple answers for each item.

Learning Objectives:

- Comprehension
- Critical thinking
- Compare and contrast
- Tense

Instructions given are for students to use materials for self access. Teachers can also use these as a guide.

Use energy saving lamps

Normal light bulbs use a lot of power and give out heat in the atmosphere. However, energy saving lamps do not consume too much electricity and they are also environment friendly.
Save electricity, Save environment.