

Short Reading

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1 The earliest experiments in television took place in the late nineteenth century. After the invention of the
2 telephone in the 1870s, scientists began to think about the way to send pictures – like sound – through the air.
3 (1), it took many years of trial and error to perfect the technology because televisions are complicated
4 machines.

5 In the early 1930s, television was usually short and simple. Not many people had television sets to receive
6 the pictures. In 1936, only about 200 television sets were in use worldwide. But in 1939, television was
7 displayed at the World Fair in New York City and was a big hit. That year, Franklin D. Roosevelt became the
8 first president to appear on television.

9 By the early 1940s, there were twenty three televisions in the United States. But soon World War II
10 brought a *halt to the television industry. After the war, however, the *craze really began. By 1947, there were
11 170,000 TV sets in the United States. By the end of 1948, there were 2.5 million television sets. During the
12 next two years, that number increased to 10 million TV sets.

13 Only fifty years ago, watching television was a totally different experience from what it is now. (2), the
14 average family watched only black-and-white shows on a 7-inch screen. ~~There were no remote controls to~~
15 ~~change channels from a sofa. Programs were aired~~

16 At the end of twentieth century, TV in
17 and more varied programming. People use

各チャプターのジャンルに関連した短めの英文を収録。
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18 Today, television is a communication's system
19 our lives that it's almost impossible to imagine a world without it. At any time of day or night, we can get the
20 latest news from around the world. We can learn how to cook meals, plant a vegetable garden, decorate our
21 homes, and speak Spanish or Japanese. (3) if we just want to relax, we can watch a movie on a network
22 channel or rent a video from a cable channel. And who knows what the future will bring?

halt 停滞 craze 大流行

Question 1: 空欄 (1) から (3) に入れるのに適当な語を次から選びなさい。

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Question 2: 次の 1~3 の中で本文の内容と合っているものには○を, 誤っているものには×をつけなさい。

1. It took longer to invent television than telephone.
2. Franklin D. Roosevelt was the first person that could appear on TV.
3. TV has been getting better and better and no one knows what it will be like in the future.

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