

Old gadgets become cool again

Vocabulary Match

advanced ● gadgets ● constant ● notifications ● charging ● nostalgia ●

● always ● memories ● devices ● alerts ● giving power ● modern

Article

Digital cameras, iPods and wired headphones are becoming popular again among young people. In a world full of advanced smartphones, some people are choosing older gadgets because they offer a simpler experience.

Lily Redman, 26, often takes her digital camera to concerts and nights out. She says its photos have a smoother, more natural look than pictures from her smartphone.

There is also growing interest in old music players. Many people enjoy using iPods because they can listen to music without constant messages and notifications. Wired headphones are popular too, partly because they are cheap and do not need charging. For some young people, old technology offers something new: nostalgia.

Quiz

1. What gadgets are becoming popular again?
2. Why does Lily Redman take her digital camera to concerts?
3. Why do people like using iPods?
4. Why are wired headphones popular?

Conversation

A: Hey, did you see my new digital camera?
B: Wow, that's so retro! Why not just use your phone?
A: I love the natural look of the photos.
B: Cool! I just bought some wired headphones.
A: No way! Aren't they a bit old-school?
B: Yeah, but they never run out of battery!

Discussion

1. Do you have any old gadgets at home?
2. Why do you think people like old technology?
3. Would you prefer a digital camera or a smartphone for photos?
4. What is your favorite gadget and why?