

Unit 7

Then and Now



**What's the difference
between then and now?**

CHONGQING, CHINA
Reinventing vintage photographs on smartphones

Unit at a Glance

- ▶ **Language Focus:** Express Opinions, Express Feelings
- ▶ **Reading Strategy:** Visualize
- ▶ **Phonics Focus:** Digraphs: *th, sh*; Vowel Sounds and Spellings: *er, ir, ur*
- ▶ **Topic:** Then and Now

Share What You Know



- 1 **Act out** something you do with a machine. Let the class guess.
- 2 **Discuss** what people did before they had that machine.



Key Words

How do people talk and share **news**?

Then



write a letter



read a newspaper



talk on the phone

Now



write an e-mail



read news on
the **Internet**



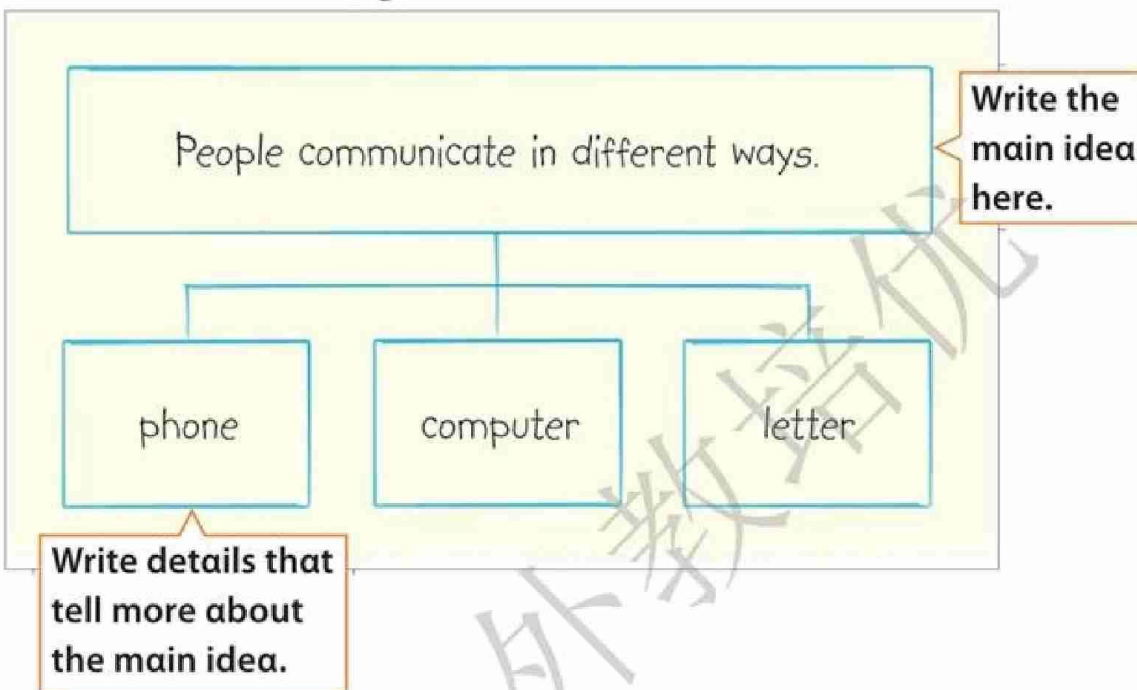
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message

Talk Together

Look at the ways we communicate. What's the difference between then and now? What do you think is the best way to communicate?

Identify Main Idea and Details

Main Idea and Details Diagram



Look for the main idea and details as you listen and read.

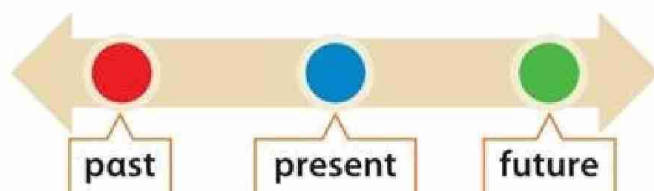


Talk Together

Use gestures to show how you communicate. Your partner guesses what you are doing. Take turns. Then add ways you communicate to the chart.

Past Tense Verbs

Verbs can tell about actions that happened in the past.



Grammar Rules Past Tense Verbs

To make a verb about the past:

- Add **-ed** to the end of a **regular verb**, like **want**.
- Use a special form for an **irregular verb**, like **fly**.

Today people **want** to build new spaceships. In the past, they **wanted** to build the first spaceship.

Today people **fly** to space. In the past, they **flew** to space for the first time.

Read a Sentence

Read page 162. Find two verbs in the past tense. Explain their forms.

Write a Sentence

Write a sentence about a time you wanted to go somewhere new. Read it to a partner.