

## Worksheet 1: “New Gadgets in the Market”

1- Mention appliances that exist in your house, place of work and outside that have brought changes in your life. Write them under the three categories:

HOUSE	PLACE OF WORK	OUTSIDE





2- Read these statements and predict what the text will be about:

- a- Technology at home
- b- New gadgets at the market
- c- Laptops at home

3- Reading Text. Read the following text:

Technology provides new gadgets every day. They are supposed to make our lives easier and more comfortable. But do they?

Here are some examples for you to judge:

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1. The slimmest of the slim music player ( 0.6 inches ) the River Slim X 550 plays MP3s, WMAs and ASFs, in addition to music CD's and its built-in FM receiver. The anti- shock feature keeps your CDs playing smoothly, and users can get up to 55 hours of playback time on its two internal rechargeable NiMH batteries. The Unit comes equipped with a liquid –crystal-screen remote control, earbuds, an external battery adapter for AA batteries and an ac adapter. \$ 179.99 [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com).
2. Unlock the complexities of foreign lands with this Spanish-English communicator, which translates and pronounces 4.000 words and 2.400 phrases... Struggle no longer with this pocketable electronic dictionary.  
Franklin Spanish English Communicator. \$ 49.00 [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com).
3. This is one of the new Microsoft Smart Watches. They receive news, weather forecasts and messages through radio waves. These pieces of the future are made by Fossil. \$ 129 to \$ 299 US.
4. This shuttle laptop case protects the computer inside and make you irresistibly different. Shuttle \$US 69.99 [www.ebags.com](http://www.ebags.com).

3. Read the texts, look at the pictures and underline the word that identifies them.
4. Was your prediction OK? If your answer is “yes” explain your choice in Spanish. If it is “no” ask a classmate for the right answer. Or the teacher will do it.
5. Read the texts and identify the device:
  - a. This gadget works through radio waves. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. This device helps you when you travel to a foreign country. \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. This device is the cheapest of all. \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. This device has got remote control and earphones. \_\_\_\_\_
  - e. This device is rather sophisticated. \_\_\_\_\_

### After Reading

6. Think and describe.

Choose a different device you know and describe it using words from the text or from a dictionary.

7. Find ten adjectives and complete the chart:

ADJECTIVES	COMPARATIVE	SUPERLATIVE
cheap	cheaper	Software