

5 The impact of computing – Part 1 —Answers

Answers

Work through these after you have tried the questions yourself.

2.1 benefit: fast communication (or access to knowledge, medical advances); harm: loss of privacy (or misinformation, job losses).

2.2 the gap between people who have good access to computers and the internet and those who do not.

2.3 any of: income, location (rural areas), age, education.

2.4 gathering ideas, help, or funding from a large group of people online –for example, mapping disaster zones or funding a project.

2.5 the same tool can be used in different ways –it can connect and inform people, but also invade privacy or spread false information.