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Theme of the Week – Keeping in touch



CH (Chain Home) Receiver Room - Norman Edward Hoad
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Activity 1 – Think

Look carefully at the painting above.
What are the people doing?
Why does the woman have a microphone?
Who might she be talking and listening to?

Draw and write a speech bubble of what somebody in the painting might be saying (you can choose any of the people).



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Activity 2 - Explore

Write a list of ways that we keep in touch with people – how many can you think of?

Sometimes people might want to send 'secret' messages and they could use a code. Here is a simple code that you could use. Each letter in the alphabet has been given a number. As the letter 'A' is the first letter in the alphabet, this has been given the number '1'. As 'B' is the second letter, it is number '2' and so on.

A 1	B 2	C 3	D 4	E 5	F 6	G 7	H 8	I 9	J 10
K 11	L 12	M 13	N 14	O 15	P 16	Q 17	R 18	S 19	T 20
U 21	V 22	W 23	X 24	Y 25	Z 26				

With this code the word 'hello' would be 8, 5, 12, 12, 15.
Write a simple coded message to someone
and see if they can work it out.



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Marshal of the Royal Air Force Lord Portal
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Activity 3 - Create

Listen to the podcast called 'To my best friend' which you can find here:

<https://assets.rafmuseum.org.uk/app/uploads/2021/02/To-My-Best-Friend-.mp3>

Write a letter back to this person telling them all about the things that you do. When you write a letter remember:

- To put your address at the top
- To start the letter with Dear
- To sign your name at the end so they know who it is from.



Activity 4 - Do

It makes us all feel happier when we keep in touch with our friends and family. There might be people that you miss because you haven't spoken to them for a long time. Make someone you know feel happy by giving them a call, sending them a message or writing them a letter. Could you try and get in touch with a few different people over the next couple of weeks?



Well done!