Networks: Troubleshooting

Get ready!

- Before you read the passage, talk about
 - What are some common network problems?
 - What are some common solutions to network

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Troubleshooting network connection problems for wireless networks

If it appears that your router is not working, try these steps

- Make sure the wireless router is plugged in to both the power source and the phone jack.
- Check that the wireless adapter on your computer or
- ★ If your computer still does not detect a signal, cycle the router by disconnecting it from the power source. Wait 45-60 seconds and plug it in again. The power light should come on first. This will be followed by the light indicating a signal is being received.
- You could also try restarting your computer. Restarting your computer helps clear the web browser's data cache. Clearing the cache may improve the speed of your computer.
- CLog in by entering your password when prompted. Wait for the computer to boot up completely.
- Check under network connections to see if an IP address is being detected. The IP address may need to be renewed if it is not TCP/IP compatible. If no address is detected, renew the IP address.

If these suggestions did not solve the problem, contact your ISP.



Reading

- 2 Read the website. Then, choose the correct
 - 1 What is the main idea of the website?
 - A to present different networking options
 - B to suggest ways to protect networks
 - C to show how to set up a new network
 - D to list tips on resolving network problems
 - 2 Which of the following is NOT suggested?
 - A replacing the modem
 - B restarting the computer
 - C renewing the IP address
 - D unplugging the router
 - 3 According to the website, why is restarting the computer useful?
 - A It renews the IP address.
 - B It enables the wireless adapter.
 - C It clears the web browser's cache.
 - D It cycles the router.

Vocabulary

3 Match the words or phrases (1-8) with the definitions (A-H).

1 _ password 5 __ clear _ IP address 6 __ detect 3 _ cache __ log in

4 __ signal

__ cycle

- A a storage place for information and data
- B to remove all stored data from a file or device
- C a code that must be entered to verify identity or gain access to a resource
- D the process by which one can access a secure system that is password protected
- E a wave or field used to communicate information from a source to a recipient device
- F a numerical label assigned to every device in a network that uses the Internet
- G to pick up or receive a signal
- H to shut down and restart a device