

The Addiction



Dan was only 11 years old when his father bought him his first computer. From that day forward, the computer became Dan's best friend. All of his free time was spent on playing games and watching movies. As he got older, his love for his computer only grew and as a result, his studies suffered. The few friends that he had eventually gave up on trying to spend any time with him. One day, there was a big thunderstorm in Dan's city and the power went out. Suddenly, he could not use his computer. As he sat on his bed in the dark, waiting for the power to return, he suddenly realized how lonely he was and how addicted he was to using the Internet. But he just didn't know how to quit...

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Vocabulary

from that day forward
free time
suffered
thunderstorm
power went out
addicted

Comprehension Check

1. If Dan asked you for advice, how would you suggest that he get rid of this addiction?
2. Do you think that playing video games and watching movies is a waste of time? Why or why not?
3. What are some addictions that you have? How do you deal with them?

*"Habit is habit, not to be flung out of the window by any man,
but coaxed downstairs a step at a time." ~ Mark Twain*