### **BLOGS**



Blogging and following a blog are very popular activities for many. Blogs can be about many different things from every-day events to political issues. If there is a topic that people is interested in, there is a blog.

Blogs are a part of the freedom of speech.

Everyone can have a blog, though some blogs

are more "explosive" than others. Some blogs have been important voices for minorities and ethnic groups, for instance during the Arab spring of 2011 or the young Pakistani girl who was shot by the Taliban for blogging. <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/magazine-19899540">http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/magazine-19899540</a>

The freedom of speech can also trespass on the privacy of celebrities such as the blog post about Tone and Aksel's break-up earlier this year.

http://www.tv2.no/nyheter/innenriks/skandaleblogger-jeg-hadde-ogsaa-blitt-saaret-4001086.html

However, the majority of blogs are about every-day things such as fashion, make-up, cupcakes, football, films etc. Many bloggers are young girls, and many readers are girls and women as well. Though there are male bloggers too...



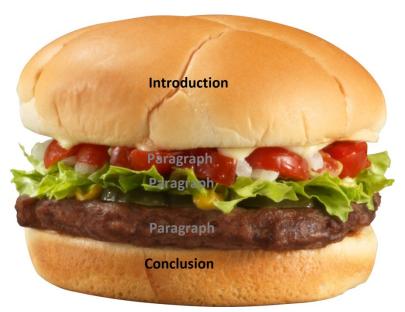
## **TASK**

Write an article, an essay or a blog-post where blogging is the main topic. Below there are some ideas for topics you can write about. However, if you have another idea, check with your teacher first.

- ✓ Blogs and youth culture
- ✓ Compare blogs
- ✓ Analyse a blog
- ✓ Blogs and freedom of speech
- ✓ Blogs and politics
- ✓ The positive and negative sides of blogging
- ✓ Who writes blogs?

# TIPS!

- ✓ Remember text building (see burger)
- ✓ Head lines
- ✓ Capital letters
- ✓ Concord
- ✓ List your sources



http://www.soft-gets.com/2013/01/how-about-eating-300000-burger.html#.UVsal5Mqwy4

# **CURRICULUM AIMS:**

#### Communication

- express him/herself in writing and orally in a varied, differentiated and precise manner, with good progression and coherence
- select and use appropriate writing and speaking strategies that are adapted to a purpose, situation and genre
- write formal and informal texts with good writing structure and coherence based on themes that interest him/her and which are important for society
- produce composite texts using digital media

#### Culture, society and literature

- discuss social and cultural conditions and values from a number of Englishspeaking countries
- present and discuss international news topics and current events

GOOD LUCK!