

Graphic Information: Charts

This chart indicates the increasing number of people who use online resources. Study the chart and answer the questions on page 61.

Percentage of the Population Online

| | 1995 | 1998 | 2000 | 2005 |
|-----------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| North America | 8.9% | 27.6% | 47.9% | 71.5% |
| West Europe | 2.2% | 8.8% | 21.7% | 50.1% |
| East Europe | 0.1% | 1.0% | 3.3% | 15.2% |
| Asia-Pacific | 0.1% | 0.7% | 1.7% | 4.6% |
| South/Central America | 0.1% | 0.5% | 2.1% | 7.9% |
| Middle East/Africa | 0.0% | 0.3% | 0.7% | 2.4% |
| Users Worldwide | 0.7% | 2.5% | 5.2% | 11.1% |
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Source: Computer Industry Almanac

Reading: Comprehension

After studying the chart on page 60, answer questions 1 through 5.

- 1) Which region showed the greatest growth in online users from 1995 to 2005?
 - A Western Europe
 - **B** Eastern Europe
 - © North America
 - worldwide
- 2) Which region has shown the least growth in online users between 1995 and 2005?
 - © South/Central America
 - **©** Middle East/Africa
 - (H) Asia-Pacific
 - ③ worldwide
- What are two conclusions you can draw, based on this chart?

 What prediction can you make about online use in 2020?
- What pattern of use do you see in all of the last five regions (including Users Worldwide) from 1995 to 2005?
 - Asia showed little change from 1995 to 1998.
 - ® They all showed steady growth during this time.
 - © Users worldwide doubled between 1998 and 2000.
 - D They all showed a big jump between 2000 and 2005.