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One of the first things I do each morning is to check my email. I open the email program on my computer and I check for new messages. It usually takes only a few seconds for my new messages to download from the server into my inbox unless there's a large attachment. I can then click onto each new message to read it.

I **reply** to messages or **forward** them to someone else. The important messages I save by putting them into one of my **mailboxes**. The unimportant ones I just **delete**.

I really hate getting **spam**. Luckily, my email program allows me to set up **filters** so that spam messages are put into a separate mailbox automatically. I usually **scan** the messages to make sure real messages weren't put into the mailbox by mistake and then I put them in the **trash**.

I don't know what I would do without email, but I'm constantly checking it for new messages. I'm not sure if it's a blessing or a curse. I suppose it's both.

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