





TECHNOLOGY SEMINAR INTRODUCTION

- Introduction of the group
- Overview of seminar
- Explanation of the subject matter

TECHNOLOGY IN THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY

So... what is technology?

- Technology is knowledge transferred into tools
- New inventions
- Technology is all around us

Technology is widely used in the hospitality industry



INTERNET

Internet has been around for last 20 years, but in the last 5 years we have seen its greatest advancements and it has become the most used technology in hospitality.

Advantages:

- Used for research, communication, marketing, advertisement, sales, etc....
- In the last 5 years we have had increased access to the internet in a variety of ways, through multiple devices.

Disadvantages:

- Data protection – mainly credit card data input into the internet are very vulnerable.

Past: WI-FI

- A little wire-less zone where computers can get broadband internet.
- It uses radio waves, just like TV or mobile phones
 - WiFi is absolutely everywhere and although it has been here for some time, in the last 5 years this technology has become accessible by every business across the industry.

Advantages:

- Time and cost efficiency for guests and staff.

Disadvantages:

- Reliability - when it suddenly goes off...



Present: Airline/ Hotel Check-In Machines

- They allow us to be more efficient - especially with regard to price and time!
- However, we lose that sometimes important human interaction

Examples: BA, Easyjet, Easy hotel,
Easy gym.

Future: Increased use of Tablets and Smartphones

- Reserve a table
- Hotel room
- Check-in a hotel
- Check-in on a flight
- Leave feedback and so on...

And all that on the go...