

First English Exam

First name :
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Text

What kind of revolution the Internet brought to the world? People were able to communicate before. They could use phone and send letters to each other. They could read newspapers. They could listen to music, watch TV. The Internet has been an evolution, not a revolution. It accelerated, improved, perfected the way people communicate and broadcast their messages, as well as broadened the audience involved to communication. But apart from that? In the 1930th, people really believed that appearance of TV would change the world. Did it? Yes, in some way it did, but not too much. People became more informed and that would influence their decisions, but soon TV became mostly entertainment and a brainwashing tool.

A major advantage of the Internet is that it helps remove barriers for those who are unable to communicate and spread their messages : introverts, hesitant people, etc. Real people leaders are always able to find their ways to broadcast their messages and influence minds of large social groups without optic fibers.

The Internet broadens and amplifies, but does not radically change. But there may be a real danger if the Internet becomes the only communication and broadcasting channel and in the same form as it is now : then the effect described may happen-people will be locked within their opinion preference circles and might aggressively react to or neglect all opposite opinions.

1 Part 1 : Reading comprehension (7 points)

- 1) Give an appropriate title to the text.

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The Internet (The evolution of Internet, Advantages and disadvantages of Internet).

- 2) Why is Internet an evolution but not a revolution?

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Because people were able to communicate before. [They could use phone and send letters to each other. They could read newspapers. They could listen to music, watch TV]. It accelerated, improved, perfected the way people communicate.

- 3) What kind of people is Internet convenient for?

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Internet is convenient for people unable to communicate and spread their messages : introverts, hesitant people, etc.

- 4) Which effect is the writer speaking about in the last paragraph?
 The writer is speaking about the danger of having the Internet as the only communication and broadcasting channel, and the effect that people will be locked within their opinion preference circles and might aggressively react to or neglect all opposite opinions.
- 5) What or who the underlined words refer to in the text?
It : The Internet.
who : Those (people unable to communicate : introverts, hesitant people).
- 6) Match words and definitions :

word	definition
1- log in	a- monitor, a device for checking the operation of a computer
2- computer	b- electronic mail system for sending messages via Internet
3- screen	c- electronic device for storing, analyzing and producing information
4- e-mail	d- start using a complex system by giving a particular word or number

2 Part 2 : Mastery of language (10 points)

Exercise 1 (2 points)

Classify these words according to the right sound :

China, brush, squash, shy, chips, champion, ship, match.

/ʃ/	/tʃ/
brush	China
squash	chips
shy	champion
ship	match

Exercise 2 (3 points)

Choose the correct verb :

- The Algerian people (is/are) **are** generous.
- I like traveling by train. This means (is/are) **is** very safe.
- His feet (is/are) **are** big. He wears size 44.
- My tooth (is/are) **is** hurting me.
- Children (enjoy/enjoys) **enjoy** playing outdoors.
- This football club (was/were) **was** created in the 1930's.

Exercise 3 (2.5 points)

Ask questions on the numbered statements :

My brother played football at the stadium yesterday.

- (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
- Who played football at the stadium yesterday?
 - What did my brother do at the stadium yesterday?
 - What did my brother play at the stadium yesterday?

- 4) Where did my brother play football yesterday?
 - 5) When did my brother play football at the stadium?
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Exercise 4 (2.5 points)

Give the type of each sentence :

1. It was a hard exercise but i managed to solve it.
Compound sentence.
 2. She plays the piano wonderfully.
Simple sentence.
 3. The surgeon who operated on Kevin while he was at hospital is very competent.
Complex sentence.
 4. He is reading a sport magazine.
Simple sentence.
 5. The coach congratulated the players who had won the competition.
Complex sentence.
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3 Part 3 : Written expression (3 points)

Write a short paragraph (5 to 6 lines) about the following topic :
Television can have perverse effects on individuals. Give your arguments using the following notes :

1. No communication between family members.
2. Children and violence.
3. People are cut off from reality.
4. People consume programs.
5. Passivity.

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Good Luck