

Paper 3: Use of English (45 minutes)

PART 1

For questions 1–12, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Mark your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Example:

0 A seriously B extremely C absolutely D intensely

0	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>
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Multitasking children

The trend for children to multitask by juggling all sorts of electronic gadgets at the same time is 0 _____ damaging their levels of concentration, scientists have warned. 1 _____ use of the Internet, iPods, mobile phones and DVDs 2 _____ behind that finding. Scientists have 3 _____ the belief of many parents that it is impossible to concentrate on more than one thing at the same time. They found that children 4 _____ homework while sending messages via the Internet can 5 _____ up spending 50% longer than if they had done each task 6 _____.

David E Meyer, Professor of Cognitive Psychology at the University of Michigan, said that true multitasking is 7 _____ possible for simple activities such as ironing and listening to the radio. He 8 _____ experiments demonstrating that young adults who had to 9 _____ from one maths problem to another wasted significant amounts of time. Meyer said: 'For situations 10 _____ more complex tasks, especially those requiring language, the total time taken to get all the tasks done will increase 11 _____. Over long periods, this kind of multitasking can stress you out and 12 _____ to mental and physical exhaustion.'

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| 1 A Rocketing | B Heightening | C Ascending | D Leaping |
| 2 A stands | B rests | C lies | D sits |
| 3 A assured | B guaranteed | C authorized | D confirmed |
| 4 A engaging | B tackling | C attending | D undergoing |
| 5 A turn | B come | C use | D end |
| 6 A separately | B distinctly | C apart | D aside |
| 7 A merely | B purely | C only | D simply |
| 8 A set | B put | C took | D ran |
| 9 A alter | B switch | C interrupt | D exchange |
| 10 A consisting | B containing | C involving | D meaning |
| 11 A largely | B greatly | C widely | D highly |
| 12 A result | B proceed | C lead | D bring |