

ELF3: Lesson 83 (READING)

THEME: Science and Technology	TOPIC: (Unit 9) High-Tech World
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EXERCISE A: Listen and say these words given in column A. Then match the words to the meanings in column B

Column A			Column B	
1.	batteries	•	•	A small, flat computer that is controlled by touching the screen or by using a special pen
2.	cameras	•	•	To try something in order to discover what it is like or find out more about it
3.	developed	•	•	A device that produces electricity to provide power for radios, cars, etc
4.	events	•	•	The use of scientific knowledge or processes
5.	experiment	•	•	Connected with the parts that are joined often having an effect on each other
6.	interlinked	•	•	Chances that something may happen or be true
7.	possibilities	•	•	Anything that happens, especially something important or unusual
8.	tablets	•	•	Device for taking photographs, making films or recording images on videotape
9.	technology	•	•	to grow or change into a more advanced, larger or stronger form
10.	transfer	•	•	To move something from one place to another.

EXERCISE B: Read the text below and complete it with words given in Exercise A.

We have become slaves to _____. Most of us cannot survive one hour, let alone one day, without our smartphones. We have become completely **dependent** on technology for everything.

Nowadays, we use our smartphones to remind us about important _____ we need to attend or do. We even have a laptop that allows us to do work from anywhere. If a laptop is too heavy, we could use _____ that can do the job just as well. We have **high-definition waterproof** _____ that allow us to take beautiful pictures anywhere, even underwater. Most camera _____ can even be **recharged**.

Thanks to the hard work of engineers and scientists, we have managed to bring technology to new heights, and there is no end in sight. New technology is constantly being _____ while old technology is constantly being **improved**. They research and _____ on new forms of technology and test their limits in every way possible.

What makes technology so amazing is that it is mostly _____. We can connect one gadget to another and transfer information we need. Using a USB stick, we can _____ information from a desktop computer to a laptop. We can even connect a camera to a laptop and edit the photos we take. We can make voice calls or video calls using a software that connects us through the Internet.

Technology breaks all the limits imposed on mankind. It opens our world to all kinds of _____. However, at what point does it become too much? At what point do we become too dependent on technology to survive? Try this test. See if you can go a whole day without using your phone. If you can make it through, then maybe, we still have a chance.

EXERCISE C: Use an online dictionary to find the meanings of the words written in red in the text in Exercise B. Then write the correct word for each of the meaning given below.

Word	Meaning
1.	that does not let water through or that cannot be damaged by water
2.	to become better than before; to make something/somebody better than before.
3.	needing somebody/something in order to survive or be successful
4.	to fill a battery with electrical power; to be filled with electrical power
5.	using or produced by a system that gives very clear detailed images