Exercise 1: Read and complete the text with the reasons (A-F)

THE FUTURE SCHOOLS

How will schools change?

Firstly, students in the schools of the future will sit at special work stations in the classroom **1)** ..... . Secondly, robots will move around the classroom with cameras **2)** ..... . Finally, students will do their tests online, **3)** .....!

How will homework change?

Firstly, when school finishes each day, the students will take their laptops home with them **4)** ..... and talk with their friends. Secondly, they will get messages on their screens, **5)** ..... . Finally, parents will get emails from teachers **6)** ..... .

A so they can do their homework
B so they will find out their grades instantly
C so they will never forget to do their homework
D so they can monitor which students are not doing their work
E so they will know how their children are doing
F so they will each have their own computer to work on

Exercise 2: Read and decide which sentences are *beginning*(B) and *endings* (E). Write B or E

a All in all, I believe students will learn more from using a computer at home and will get a lot more work done.
b Will robots become our future teachers and break down during class?
c Computers have changed the way we communicate forever.
d To sum up, I don't think every student will own a computer in the future, as some families won't be able to buy one because they are too expensive.

Exercise 3: Read and match 1-3 with a-c

You have had a class discussion about the following statement:
Students will learn faster and have more fun studying with their laptops at home.

VIEWPOINTS

1 ☐ Young people enjoy using their computers.
2 ☐ Plenty of information can be found on the Internet.
3 ☐ Everyone today needs to be able to use a computer.

REASONS/EXAMPLES

a Most jobs nowadays require people with computer skills.
b Computers are used by thousands of teenagers in their free time.
c There are so many websites with news, interesting facts, and even music.

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Exercise 4: Match the topic sentences with the 3 texts

a Computers make teaching easier and faster.
b Using a laptop at home is a good way to contact your teacher or other classmates any time of the day.
c Computers stop young people from making friends.

1 [ ] Students can email their homework to their teacher and receive an answer right away. They can also chat with other classmates and help each other with their homework.

2 [ ] Each student has their own computer so they do not have to stare at the whiteboard and write everything down quickly. In addition to this, they do not lose their notes, as they can save them on their computers.

3 [ ] Young people do not go out any more, but instead they prefer to stay indoors and play video games or work on their own. As a result, they do not have the opportunity to meet new friends. They also become less sociable and do not learn how to be part of a team anymore.

Exercise 5: Circle the correct words

It is believed that fast food is an easy solution for people who work long hours and have no time to cook. **1) In other words/In my opinion**, however, eating fast food is unhealthy and expensive.

2) To begin with/Moreover, fast food contains a lot of salt and fat. As a result, people who eat fast food usually put on a lot of weight.

3) To sum up/In addition, fast food can cost a lot of money. **4) For example/However**, people spend three times more money on fast food than they would spend on homemade food.

5) However/Thirdly, ordering fast food saves people time and energy. **6) In other words/All in all**, they pick up the phone and order a meal without having to do the shopping and cooking themselves.

7) Lastly/In conclusion, I believe that people should not eat fast food very often. It can be damaging to their health and expensive.



Exercise 6: Read and put the tick (v) or cross (x).

Your teacher has asked you to write an essay giving your opinion and reasons to support your views on schools in the future.

- Introduce each argument in a separate paragraph.
- Use topic sentences for each paragraph.
- Write in an informal style.
- Refer to opposite views in the introduction.
- Give reasons and examples in the essay.
- Give your opinion again in the conclusion.

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