

**Vocabulary Homework:**

**The Secret Science Alliance and the Copycat Crook**

Drag and drop the correct words to complete the paragraph.

HASSLE    MISCELLANEOUS    SHIFTED    RIG UP  
HOUSEHOLDS    SHOPHISTICATED    THEORY

There are many inventions out there that have ..... our reality. If we are asked what we would do without them, we simply cannot imagine that reality. "Dying of boredom!" most of my students answered.

These ..... inventions (washing machines, refrigerators, televisions, smartphones) make our lives easier and more fun, but they have a downside. Many experts believe that we are less intelligent than any of our ancestors. This ..... declares that we have less problems to solve and that we have all the information within reach, so we are dumber.

In addition, these inventions are already too ..... and powerful, so they don't require many improvements. Having technology in our ..... has given us the opportunity to spend more time doing things we like. House chores are less a ..... if we have got machines to do them. The problem is the overreliance on technology. We need to learn basic skills and to talk to people who know more. Also, its important to think what could happen if something goes wrong. We mustn't lose the capacity to ..... simple devices when technology isn't available.

We depend a lot on technology, but we can do more than ever before. Collectively we are smarter, more capable, and more productive. What technology hasn't done is make us wiser.

Match the drawings to the correct sentence.



My sister teases me all the time, and sometimes she's really cruel.



A cipher is used to write in code.



Many Jews hid in rooms that could be accessed by trapdoors.



The hungry kitty was scavenging food from the trash.



Americans and British have got different accents.