8- A) Read the text very carefully.

Almost every home, office, or school has a computer of some kind these days. It may seem that having a computer brings only benefits, but further consideration shows that it also has disadvantages.

First of all, computers are very useful at school. They help students to revise for tests or exams and make subjects more interesting. Pupils can also learn new vocabulary and gramatic structures. Furthermore, they allow students to become familiar with operating a computer and gain basic computer skills. What is more, people can save a lot of time by using a computer. This is especially beneficial in the workplace where employees can do their work faster and more efficiently than what they could in the past.

In addition to this, storing information on a computer disk is one of the best ways of keeping data. One computer disk can hold the same amount of information as several books. Moreover, people can communicate with other computer owners through the internet, which offers nowdays everything: from making freecalls from foreign countries to doing shopping.

However, computers have disadvantages. Many people have lost their jobs because computers can do a lot of tasks more efficiently than humans. This has led to high unemployment in many countries. Children would spend all their free time playing games on the computer rather than using it for educational purpose.

Furthermore, some people when working from home with computer are far more likely to feel cut off from rest of the world. If children are sitting in front of the screen all day, they do not learn to share, wait they turn, or even something as simples as manners.

TRUE – FALSE OR NM (NOT MENTIONED)

1- Computers only have advantages for students. _____

2- Geography is the most interesting subject to study on the computer. _____

3- One computer disk can keep as much information as a book. _____

4- Computers have caused some unemployment. _____

5- The computer could lead children to negative learning. _____

ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS:

1- Why are computers an advantage for students?

2- Why are computers an advantage for workers?

3- Why are computers a great disadvantage?