1) wash-

2) unit-

3) everything-

4) imagine-

5) place-

6) length-

7) refrigerator

8) amount-

9) pretend-

10)input-

11) washing machine-

12)sponsored-

13)dryer-

14)household-

15)type-

16)location-

17)replace-

18)indicate-

19)appliances-

20)preferences-

21) separate-

22) survive-

23)capable-

24)allow-

25)eventually-

1) A refrigerator couldn't pretend to be a stove.

2) A washing machine washed and the dryer dried.

3) The computer is fast replacing these appliances.

4) Computers will run and regulate your household appliances from a central data location.

5) These appliances will survive in one form or the other.

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6) Why would you need a TV?

7) Refrigerator will always keep things cold.

8) These appliances will survive in one form or the other.

9) Other home appliances will soon disappear.

10) When the existing or future communication infrastructure allows..

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A Computer that Washes Your Clothes

I

The lines are getting blurry. Once upon a time, there was a place for everything and everything had its place. A refrigerator didn't - couldn't - pretend to be a stove. A washing machine washed and a dryer dried. You talked on a phone and you typed on a typewriter.

II

Today, of course, refrigerators, washing machines, dryers, and phones have their place, too, but they may not have for long. That's right, folks; the computer **is fast replacing** these appliances in the sense that they will no longer operate as **separate units**. Imagine a washing machine being controlled from your computer; the temperature of the water, length of spin cycle, and amount of detergent dispensed are all programmed by input from your PC, or even from a Web site **sponsored** by the detergent or washing machine company.

III

Computers will run and regulate your household appliances from a central data location, whether at your home computer, or from a **central location** where you indicate your preferences.

IV

Now, a refrigerator will always keep things cold, and a washing machine will always wash things. So these appliances will survive in one form or another. But other home appliances may soon disappear. When phone or network cable is capable, and when the existing or **future communication infrastructure** allows, broadband video will be in everyone's home. And when that happens, why would you need a TV? The same 29-inch flat screen will be perfectly fine for **computer applications**, Web surfing, and on-demand video programming.

V

Eventually, the last of today's TVs will find new homes in the Technology of Yesterday pavilion of your local museum. Again, this is not going to happen in the far-off Star Wars future. It's happening already."

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a. Name all of the appliances mentioned in paragraph I.

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b. What will the computer be able to control? (paragraph II)

_____ .1

_____ .2

_____ .3

c. Where will computers run our household appliances from? (paragraph III)

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d. Which appliances will continue to exist in one form or another? (paragraph IV)

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e. Which two conditions are needed for broadband video to become popular? (paragraph IV)

_____ .1

_____ .2

f. What will a 29-inch flat screen be good for in the future? (paragraph IV)

_____ .1

_____ .2

_____ .3

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g. Where will future generations be able to see TV models? (paragraph V)

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h. Translate the following words and expressions into Hebrew or Arabic according to their meaning in the context. These words and expressions appear in bold type in the text.

(i) is fast replacing (line 7) _____

(ii) separate units(line 8) _____

(iii) sponsored (line 11) _____

(iv) central location (line 13) _____

(v) future communication infrastructure (line 18) _____

(vi) computer applications (line 21) _____

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