



1. Listening. You are preparing a radio programme with the information from five speakers. Listen to the speakers A, B, C, D, E and mark the number of the ideas of each speaker under the corresponding letter. One item is extra!

1. It's educational
2. It's stressful
3. It's unhealthy
4. It's boring
5. It offers better jobs
6. It's amazing

A	B	C	D	E

2. Read the text below. For questions (1-7) choose the correct answer.

FINDING FRIENDS ON THE INTERNET

There has recently been a popular trend of finding friends abroad on the Internet as a way of (1)_____ language skills and learning more about the way of life in other countries. Before the Internet era, pen pals used to be the main source for a communication like that, and students shared their news or ideas via writing each (2)_____ letters. With the World Wide

Web, finding friends (3)_____ much easier, and such relationships are now called keypals. (4)_____, when you find friends on the Internet you should be careful and attentive.

(5)_____ the Internet for services of good reputation. Look (6)_____ reviews of such sites to find out more about other people's experiences. Don't join a service before you have done your research.

You'd better use a nickname, rather (7)_____ your real name, to protect your identity. Never give personal information to anyone, (8)_____ your home address, phone number, and birthday.

Terminate contact with a person if you feel (9)_____ with the topics of conversation. Again, if you protect your identity, this will be easier to do. Tell your teachers, parents, or even local law enforcement if problems arise.

Try to use the language you are studying in the classroom in your communications with others. Ask appropriate questions that will also help you learn about other cultures. Remember that one's personal experience might be just that: to understand a whole culture, you (10)_____ to talk to many people, but this will get you started.

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| 1. | 1. practice | 2. practised | 3. practising | 4. to practise |
| 2. | 1. other | 2. others | 3. other's | 4. another |
| 3. | 1. become | 2. becoming | 3. had become | 4. has become |
| 4. | 1. Despite | 2. Besides | 3. However | 4. Although |
| 5. | 1. Look | 2. Seek | 3. Search | 4. Glimpse |
| 6. | 1. in | 2. for | 3. after | 4. forward |
| 7. | 1. of | 2. than | 3. that | 4. from |
| 8. | 1. included | 2. inclusion | 3. includingly | 4. including |
| 9. | 1. comfort | 2. comfortable | 3. uncomfortably | 4. uncomfortable |
| 10. | 1. have | 2. can | 3. must | 4. should |

3. Read the text and fill in the gaps with the words derived from the capitalized words.

Write in **BLOCK CAPITALS** without spaces between the words!!!
 (ПЕЧАТНЫМИ ЗАГЛАВНЫМИ БУКВАМИ, ТОЛЬКО ПОЛНЫЕ ФОРМЫ!!!
 без пробелов и знаков препинания!)

<p>Nowadays more and more people enjoy foreign travel and having an opportunity to visit _____ places. Some people doubt if it is better to go on package holidays or to travel on your own. The answer depends on what kind of _____ you are.</p>	<p>WONDER</p>
<p>Not everyone has the same reason for travelling. Although I advocate independent travel, I'm not anti-tour. In fact, my travel agency offers tours. Holidays organised by a travel agency have some advantages. They are quite _____. Plus, you do not have to queue to get a ticket and needn't worry about meal and _____.</p>	<p>TOUR</p> <p>EXPENSIVE</p> <p>ACCOMMODATE</p>
<p>On the other hand, independent travel is _____ because it makes you be imaginative and ready to take on surprise challenges. Some people think that travelling on your own might be _____. In fact, organising your own trip is more adventurous.</p>	<p>EXCITE</p> <p>SAFE</p>

4. Match the paragraphs of the text with their titles. There is one title you don't have to use.

ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES OF MODERN TECHNOLOGIES

1. Choosing Time and Place to Do Your Job
2. Technological Illnesses
3. Constant Technological Progress
4. Distant Schooling
5. Keeping in Touch
6. Creating Monsters
7. The Greatest of Inventions

A	B	C	D	E	F

- A.** Technology has taken unimaginable steps over the past couple of decades, affording people all around the world possibility, flexibility and, above all things, convenience in their everyday communication and general lifestyle. It is ever-changing. Whether you're sending a love letter, making a purchase, running a business, researching a problem, buying a house, getting in touch with your old college friend or booking a flight to a distant island, it all comes down to one simple thing: the click of a mouse. It's difficult to imagine where technology will take us in the future.
- B.** It's possible in today's world to reconnect with high school and college friends within a few minutes. Before the Internet came to be, it was nearly impossible to know what was happening to them. Unless you ran into them by chance, you had no idea where they were. Nowadays, in this growing culture of social networking, it's nearly impossible not to know what they've had for dinner, not to mention where life has taken them. No matter how many miles stand between you, social networking has allowed both old and new friends to communicate with each other from moment to moment.
- C.** The possibility of working from home in your pyjamas or from the beach in your bathing suit may be one of the most attractive advantages modern technologies can offer. It saves you a long journey to the office, a lot of money you spend on petrol and the inevitable stress of hitting rush hour traffic, but it buys you more time in the day to spend on more important matters like family and friends. The Internet also gives an opportunity to find a suitable job. You send your resume to hundreds of companies, then wait and choose.
- D.** Getting an education is as simple these days as turning on your notebook and taking classes online. Although it's not your traditional classroom with students seated at desks and a professor lecturing in front of them, it is a very effective alternative to a good education. Even though you

may be curled up on your sofa with a hot mug of tea and your cat on your lap, you are, in fact, in the modern learning environment, earning your degree from home. Even high school classes are being offered online for students seeking summer school and degree programmes.

- E.** Technology is closely connected with our health. A good example is the phenomenon of shut-ins in Japan, one of the side effects of technology. People addicted to the Internet shut themselves in at home. They are unable to socialize adequately and have serious psychological problems. Thus technology can affect people's psychological adjustment. Physical diseases can also result from technology. Physical symptoms such as eye strain and obesity can be the result of prolonged computer use.
- F.** Technology can be used by scientists to create terrible destructive forces. Many of the weapons used in war are based upon modern technology. Chemical weapons cause illnesses and different health problems in the civilian population for decades after a war is over. Technology may damage the environment. Weapons of destruction such as bombs destroy people and their homes and also the surrounding environment. For example, much of the Afghani Forest has been destroyed by bombing as well as the habitat of native wildlife.

