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**Reading Comprehension: Leer textos de la temática de la unidad y completar actividades de comprensión lectora**

Read the text “THE SCHOOL THAT SWITCHED OFF”. Complete activities

A secondary school in Tarporley, northern England, is beginning an unusual experiment. The students have decided to stop using social media for a week.

**Day 1 – Time to switch off your phone**

It's day one and all 1,000 students at the school have agreed to avoid social media. They've stopped using Twitter and Instagram, as well as Facebook and YouTube. However, they're still allowed to make phone calls and send emails or text messages.

**Day 5 – Life without social media isn't easy**

It's now day five and the students are counting the days to the end. Everybody has been trying hard, but around one in four people have dropped out. However, some students have seen the advantages of life without Facebook and they've been trying out other things. Fifteen-year-old Georgia says, 'I've been looking at newspapers and magazines, and talking to my parents.'

**Day 7 – Most students drop out**

It's the last day. The truth is that only 200 students have finished the week without going on social media. Some students have had problems contacting their friends because they don't have their phone numbers. They normally use online chat to make plans.

**Conclusions**

The experiment has been worth it. Some students have learned that they spend over two hours a day on social media. The school librarian has a very positive view of the event. She says that she's never seen students borrow so many books before.

**a- Are these statements true or false?**

**Justify using your words**

- 1 All the students are taking part.
- 2 They can't watch YouTube videos.
- 3 Two hundred students dropped out on day seven.
- 4 The experiment has been a negative experience for everybody.
- 5 Most students were successful.
- 6 The experiment was useful.

**b- Complete with information from the text.**

- 1 Students can still use .....
- 2 It is difficult to make plans with friends because....
- 3 Some students have learnt.....
- 4 According to the librarian, ....