

Exercise 2

Read the information. Then read the sentences. Choose the supporting arguments that are relevant and clear.

Examiners look for a clear topic in each paragraph with relevant, logically extended and supported ideas.

1. Youngsters are no longer able to effectively communicate with their elders.
 - In other words, I do not speak the same language as my grandfather or his friends.
 - This means the generation gap is, in general, getting larger due to a lack of interaction between different age groups.
2. People prefer to look at their phones, even at mealtimes, and not talk to each other properly any more.
 - As a result, I can ignore people when I am in a bad mood.
 - As a result, communication and interpersonal skills are in decline.
3. It has become easier for people of different nations to interact with each other using mobile phone translation apps.
 - Therefore, I needn't learn a new language.
 - Therefore, it is no longer necessary to spend many hours learning a foreign language.
4. The language used online and in films has led to a number of foreign words and phrases influencing native languages.
 - This has resulted in teenagers spelling words differently and using a different form of grammar.
 - This has resulted in teenagers watching more films.
5. Technological change, for example emailing and text messaging, has allowed people to communicate in a variety of new and creative ways.
 - As a result, people can say what they want when writing emails and text messages.
 - This has made writing to friends more enjoyable.

6. The invention of video calling has enabled people to speak to friends and family face-to-face, rather than having to write to them, regardless of geographical location and without having to wait a long time to receive a reply.
 - This great thing lets us chat to whomever we want, whenever we want.
 - This new development has enabled people to maintain relationships in a much more convenient manner.