

Exercise 8

Read the IELTS Speaking Part 3 questions and responses. Find and correct the 11 verb pattern mistakes. Then watch the video of native English speakers responding to the questions and check your answers.

(Send your answers to Zalo!)

1. Speaker 1: Do you have a smartphone, and if so, what do you use it for?

Speaker 2: Of course, and I can't really imagine to live without it. I would be useless without it. It enables me speak to friends, go online, watch TV. It reminds me when I have to be somewhere or do something and tells me how to get there. The funny thing is that for a long time, I resisted buy one. In the end, it was my brother who persuaded me getting one, and now I am completely addicted.

2. Speaker 1: Is it possible for people to become addicted to technology?

Speaker 2: Absolutely! I know a lot of people who check their phones constantly for updates or messages. They can't stop to do it because they are worried they might miss something important. My sister is the worst. I have asked her not to look at her phone all the time, but she refuses listening to me. And she gets anxious if she forgets her phone or if it runs out of battery.

3. Speaker 1: Should we spend less time on our gadgets?

Speaker 2: Definitely. Personally, I try avoiding to use my smartphone in the evenings when I get home because, quite honestly, I could spend hours just to check messages or looking at things online. And one of my friends actually says she regrets buy her smartphone and is considering to downgrade her smartphone to a much simpler mobile phone. She much preferred it when things were simpler and there was less choice.

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