AB School of English

FINAL WRITTEN EXAM TEENS 3 – PART I

1| Reading comprehension: Read the article and do the activities below.

Teenagers Life: Better now or in the past?

You are arguing with your parents about something. Maybe your laptop isn't powerful enough to play video games. Or your friend's smartphone is much better than yours. Then you hear…

'When I was your age, there weren't any computers or video games. And I didn't have a mobile phone until I was 20. It was a cheap phone and it didn't have any apps.'

Technology has changed a lot. **Fifty years ago**, no one could imagine a world with tiny computers, tablets or amazing smartphones. And now these things are our most essential possessions – we can't imagine living without them! Teens spend most of their time using these electronic devices. Is this good for their bodies?

Technology **means** more time alone with our computer or video game console. Teenagers aren't as healthy as they were in the past because they don't do enough exercise. And, some people think teenagers today aren't as sociable as they were in the past.

What do you think? How is teenage life **better** these days?

Comments

Luis, Spain
Medicine is more advanced now. People live longer and have healthier lives. This is great for young people today!

Tom, UK
I asked my parents. My mum admits school work wasn't as hard as it is now. And my dad thinks life is too busy for teenagers nowadays. I agree. I'm always exhausted!

Katarina, Switzerland
Women and men are almost equal now. This is a huge change for female teenagers. Sixty years ago women couldn't vote in my country!

Marcos, Italy
Cars are safer. This is good for teenagers because a lot of them are horrible drivers!

POST YOUR COMMENT:

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A) Read the comments on the right. Which person thinks…?

1. teens aren't good drivers? _____

2. life is much better for women now? _____

3. teens can live healthier lives now? _____

4. life is more difficult for teenagers now? _____

B) Read the article and comments again. Choose the correct answers.

1. Parents often say these to their children:

a. they didn't have good technology when they were young.

b. they had good technology when they were young.

2. Fifty years ago…

a. people wanted tablets and smartphones.

b. people couldn't imagine having tablets and smartphones.

3. Teenagers need to…

a. do more sport.

b. be more friendly.

4. Luisa believes that…

a. teenagers don't see their parents for as long now.

b. people continue living until they are older now.

2| VOCABULARY: Read the sentences and choose the best option, A, B or C.

0. There are some lovely flowers in the _B_. I need to put some water so they don't die.

A. pillow B. vase C. rug

1. I'm really interested ____ music and sport. I'm a big fan of rock music and Manchester United.

A. in B. of C. with

2. Andrew was angry ____ me. I accidentally broke his new tennis racket yesterday. Oops!

A. about B. of C. with

3. Oh, no! This video game costs £30. It's too expensive for me. I can't ____ it!

A. lend B. earn C. afford

4. Our Maths teacher explained the homework _____. He wanted us to understand it very well.

A. carefully B. angrily C. early

5. Last summer holidays we went to Rio de Janeiro. We bought a few ____ for our friends and family.

A. tan B. souvenirs C. sights

6. Could you please ____ the table while I finish making dinner? The plates are over there.

A. make B. lay C. run

7. Oh, no! I think I've lost my passport! Oh, wait a minute. Here it is. Phew! I'm so _____!

A. relieved B. jealous C. guilty

3| GRAMMAR

A) Complete these sentences with the correct form of 'will' or 'going to'

1. I've bought the tickets for the movie. We _____ (go) to watch Superman!

2. Don't worry about the exam. I'm sure you _____ (pass)!

3. Lucky me! My horoscope says: 'You _____ (meet) the love of your life this week.'

4. Sorry, I can't go out tomorrow. I _____ (visit) my grandparents early in the morning.

5. Tom hasn't been to school today. Perhaps he _____ (be) back tomorrow. We don't really know.

6. Let's go to the beach this summer. Maybe we _____ (see) some dolphins!

B) Read these sentences and choose the correct modal

1. Katie has fallen off her bike! I think she broke her arm. We _____ call an ambulance right now!

2. A: I'm not feeling well. I have got a horrible headache…

   B: Maybe you _____ go to tonight's concert. The music's going to be really loud.

3. You _____ park your car here. It isn't allowed. Can you see the sign?

4. You _____ eat the fish if you don't like it. You can eat the roast chicken. It's delicious!

5. A: I've done five hours of homework! I'm exhausted!

   B: Maybe you _____ take a rest, Dan. You don't look so good…

6. I'll tell you a secret but you _____ promise not to tell anyone, OK?