

Instructions: Listen to the conversation **from beginning to end** before completing the exercise.

Then, listen again and fill in the blanks with the **missing words or phrases**.

1. **Katy:** Hey Stuart! I need to prepare for a class _____ about technological trends. Can you help me practice?
2. **Stuart:** Sure! What topic are you focusing on?
3. **Katy:** I want to discuss how _____ and digitalization are changing the way we live and work.
4. **Stuart:** That's a strong topic. Are you going to mention any recent _____?
5. **Katy:** Yes, I'm planning to talk about automation and how it's improving _____ in different industries.
6. **Stuart:** Interesting. How will you explain that clearly?
7. **Katy:** I'll give examples, like how factories use automated systems to increase productivity and reduce _____.
8. **Stuart:** That should help people understand. Are you including any cutting-edge technology?
9. **Katy:** Definitely. I also want to mention _____, which helps improve security in online transactions.
10. **Stuart:** That sounds complex. What if someone doesn't understand it?
11. **Katy:** I'll simplify it and compare it to a digital _____ system that is difficult to change or manipulate.
12. **Stuart:** Good idea. Are you also planning to mention faster networks?
13. **Katy:** Yes, I'll explain how _____ supports better communication and real-time services.
14. **Stuart:** Nice. Will you talk about both positive and negative aspects?
15. **Katy:** Yes, I'll analyze benefits and _____, especially problems related to cybersecurity.
16. **Stuart:** That shows good analysis. How will you involve your classmates?
17. **Katy:** I'll ask about their _____ with modern technology and encourage participation.
18. **Stuart:** That will make the discussion more dynamic. Are you ready to answer questions?
19. **Katy:** I'll try. I'll listen carefully, _____ their ideas, and respond clearly.
20. **Stuart:** Sounds like you're ready.
21. **Katy:** Thanks! I just hope I can keep the discussion _____ from beginning to end.