

GRADE 9 - READING

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I. Choose the word or phrase (A, B, C, or D) that best fits each blank in the following passage.

The Internet is a great learning tool, and it's likely that you'll want it available as you study or complete your homework. But we all know that it is also (32) _____ distractions. After all, you're only one click away (33) _____ funny videos, social media, messaging your friends, or browsing websites endlessly.

When studying online, you might find it useful to install "website-blocking software" (34) _____ block the sites you find yourself distracted by the most. There are several free and easy-to-install website blockers available for any given browser. This can be a good option for you if you're finding that the temptation to visit a certain website is too distracting for you to (35) _____.

Once such sites have been dealt with, you may also find that your phone is (36) _____ distracting. If you're using your phone to study, you can search for similar website-blocking programs in your app store. If you're not using your phone to study, you might consider putting it on airplane mode or (37) _____ while studying. This will also help you stop distractions from phone calls and texts.

32. a. lack of b. few of c. lot of d. full of

33. a. to b. with c. from d. for

34. a. so that b. in order to c. due to d. despite

35. a. concentrate b. avoid c. accomplish d. maintain

36. a. equation b. equality c. equal d. equally

37. a. turn it off b. turn off it c. turning off it d. turning it off