

English Final Exam

(15points)

Part One: Reading.

Read the text carefully then answer the following questions.

Technology has been part of our life and it is one of the key ingredients for the survival of mankind to live in an ever changing environment. The development of new technology helps people save lives. It helps people make work easier and makes the world a better place to live in.

Education is developing as time passes by. Today, professors can use projectors as their teaching tools. Visual presentation through technological devices allows professors to make visual learners easily understand. It is also due to technology that schools can now show videos, pictures or educational movies to students easily. We can share our past, enrich our present and expand our futures through the use of social media. Texting, calling, and emailing have revolutionized the way we keep in touch. Thus, thanks to technology that these forms of communication are continuously and enormously developing. In the past, diseases and epidemics were difficult to identify because doctors did not have the tools to do so. Nowadays, an hour is already enough to identify any sickness of a patient although some diseases may take a while due to certain stages of evaluation. In addition to medicine, transportation has also known great advancements, without which travelling from one place to another would take too long and it could be a waste of time.

Technology made us dependent on it and we cannot expect or imagine our life without technology. Hence, technology plays a major role in our lives.

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(8points)

A) Comprehension.

I. Choose the letter that corresponds to the right answer. (1.5)

A. The text is:

- a- a newspaper article
- b- an extract from a novel.
- c- a website article

B. The text is:

- a- How Technological Devices Operate?
- b- The Fields of Technology.
- c- The Importance of Technology.

2. Say whether the following statements are true or false: (2)

- a- Our world will be a better place if we get rid of technology.
- b- Technology helps visual learners understand better.
- c- Due to technology, people can easily communicate with each other
- d- Technology has no role to play in our lives.

3. Answer the following questions according to the text : (2.5)

- a- Does technology constitute an important part in our life?
- b- What are the benefits of technology on people?
- c- Why was it difficult for doctors to identify diseases?

4. Fill in the table with information from the text. (2)

The Usefulness of Technology.		
Education	Medicine	Transportation
■ .....	■ .....	■ .....
■ .....	■ .....	■ .....



B) Text Exploration:

1. Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to the following: (1.5)

- a- components (§1) = .....
- b- instruments (§2) = .....
- c- therefore. (§3) = .....

2. Complete the following chart: (1.5)

Verb	Noun	Adjective
.....	innovation	.....
to enrich	.....	.....
.....	.....	creative

3. Rewrite sentence "b" so as it means the same as sentence "a": (2pts)

1/a. Technology has made great contributions to modern life.

b. Great contributions .....

2/a. Professors can use projectors as their teaching tools.

b. Projectors .....

4. Re-order the following sentences to make a coherent passage. (2)

- a- So, technology is a way of putting theoretical knowledge into action by means of skills or engineering methods.
- b- These words are 'techne' which means 'craft' or 'skill',
- c- The word 'technology' comes from two Greek words.
- d- and 'logos', which can be translated as 'knowledge'.

Part Two: Written Expression.

(5points)

Choose ONE of the following topics:

Topic One:

The impact of technology on modern life is immeasurable, we use technology in different ways and sometimes the way we implement it do more damage than good.

Using the following notes, write a composition of about 80 to 100 words in which you shed light on the negative effects technology has on our life.

- ✓ global warming
- ✓ weapons of mass destruction.
- ✓ Pollution.
- ✓ extinction of animal and plant species.

Topic Two:

The Muslim scientists have made important contributions to modern science. In no more than 100 words, write a composition in which you talk about the main achievements they transmitted to the mankind.

Good Luck!