

ENGLISH WRITTEN TEST - 9th grade

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I. READING COMPREHENSION - Read the text below and do the tasks that follow it.

ARE YOU AN INTERNET ADDICT?

Experts say that millions of people around the world are one click away from 'online' addiction.

The Internet is where we spend more and more of our time. But for a growing number of people, it's an out-of-control habit that interferes with normal living and causes severe stress on family, friends, loved ones and work.

Kimberly Young, clinical director of the Centre for Internet Addiction Recovery and author of the book *Caught in the Net*, says that about 5% to 10% of Americans – 15 to 30 million people – may suffer from Internet addiction and the problem may be even greater in countries like China, Korea and Taiwan. It's a global problem.

Coleen Moore, coordinator of resource development at the Illinois Institute for Addiction Recovery, says she has clients from college age to early adulthood who spend 14 to 18 hours a day online. But Young notes that it's not just how long people spend using a computer; it's what they're doing online.

To help people with their diagnosis, Young developed a test that uses a 20-question survey to measure levels of Internet addiction. "There are no real drugs for this yet," she says. "It's not about medication, it's more about therapy." The estimated recovery time varies. At the Illinois Institute for Addiction Recovery, some patients need 30 to 90 days of in-patient treatment, followed by a continuing care program. But Internet addiction recovery, like any other addiction, requires lifelong treatment, experts say.

Online gaming is the form of Internet addiction most rapidly growing among young people. "Initially we primarily had people addicted to surfing the Web, chat rooms, virtual communities and things like that. Now we are looking more to gaming," Moore says. "Gaming is certainly one of the things that could get people addicted to the Internet, because it has such compelling content. But I don't think games are any more likely to cause Internet addiction than any of the other forms of entertainment".

A. Decide if each sentence is TRUE (T), FALSE (F), or NOT MENTIONED (NM).

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|---|---|-----------------------|---|-----------------------|----|-----------------------|
| 1. The number of Internet users has increased by 1000%. | T | <input type="radio"/> | F | <input type="radio"/> | NM | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2. Internet addiction affects people's life in many different ways. | T | <input type="radio"/> | F | <input type="radio"/> | NM | <input type="radio"/> |
| 3. Almost half of Americans spend too much time online. | T | <input type="radio"/> | F | <input type="radio"/> | NM | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4. The USA is the country with the highest number of addicts. | T | <input type="radio"/> | F | <input type="radio"/> | NM | <input type="radio"/> |
| 5. There are centres to recover from Internet addiction. | T | <input type="radio"/> | F | <input type="radio"/> | NM | <input type="radio"/> |
| 6. Their clients are between 14 and 18 years old. | T | <input type="radio"/> | F | <input type="radio"/> | NM | <input type="radio"/> |
| 7. Internet addiction hasn't been understood very well yet. | T | <input type="radio"/> | F | <input type="radio"/> | NM | <input type="radio"/> |
| 8. It's difficult to recover from this addiction. | T | <input type="radio"/> | F | <input type="radio"/> | NM | <input type="radio"/> |
| 9. People are mostly addicted to surfing the web, chat rooms and social networks. | T | <input type="radio"/> | F | <input type="radio"/> | NM | <input type="radio"/> |
| 10. Games are just as addictive as other forms of entertainment. | T | <input type="radio"/> | F | <input type="radio"/> | NM | <input type="radio"/> |

B. Complete the sentences according to the information given in the text.

- Experts say that millions of people are getting _____.
- Internet addiction causes a lot of problems, but many people can't _____.
- Internet addiction is a bigger problem in _____.
- Recovery centres base their treatment on _____ and not on _____.

II. LANGUAGE

A. Complete the text below with the words from the box. There are two extra words.

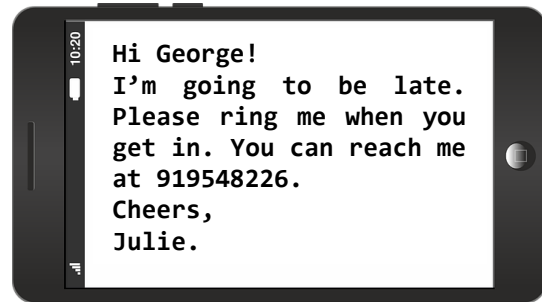
Some psychologists say _____⁽¹⁾ use of computers to surf the web, join social sites and chat room discussions, and play video games is a real _____⁽²⁾. In recent years, people have started to use the computer and the Internet like they used to watch TV. It is, in fact, very comfortable and relaxing just to sit down and have a _____⁽³⁾ with somebody from Canada about ice hockey and lacrosse. If we are hungry, we simply order a pizza through the Internet. While we are waiting for the food, we _____⁽⁴⁾ our Facebook messages, _____⁽⁵⁾ photos and change our profile pictures and even _____⁽⁶⁾ a message on our friends' Facebook walls. So, we just don't have much time for communication with people anymore. Besides, there is so much information _____⁽⁷⁾ that when we start surfing the Internet, we spend a long time in front of the screen. There are a lot of people who are _____⁽⁸⁾ on TV and watch it 5 to 7 hours a day, and I believe using the computer is becoming an addiction, too.



- addictive
- check
- leave
- upload
- meet
- obsessive
- available
- chat
- hooked
- addiction

B. Why has Julie sent this text message? Circle the correct answer.

1. To tell George she'll phone him later.
2. To check if he's going to get back home late.
3. To ask George to call her when he arrives.



C. Complete this phone call (1 – 8) with the questions/expressions in the box (A – J). Write only the letters. Two letters are not needed.

Luca: You sound a bit down. ⁽¹⁾

Eva: Nothing. I'm just a bit tired.

Luca: ⁽²⁾

Eva: No, not really. ⁽³⁾

Luca: Well, I have an idea. ⁽⁴⁾

Eva: Yeah, that sounds good. ⁽⁵⁾

Luca: How about Saturday afternoon?

Eva: Good idea. ⁽⁶⁾

Luca: That works for me.

Eva: ⁽⁷⁾ at Leicester Square outside the tube station then.

Luca: Great. ⁽⁸⁾

- (A) When?
- (B) See you there!
- (C) Shall we meet at 3 p.m.?
- (D) What about you?
- (E) What's up?
- (F) Let's meet
- (G) Can I call you later?
- (H) Do you fancy going for an ice cream?
- (I) Do you have any plans for this weekend?
- (J) I'm afraid I can't.

III. GRAMMAR

A. GERUND or INFINITIVE ? Complete the sentences accordingly.

1. Are you interested in _____ (join) a social networking site?
2. You'd better _____ (save) your pocket money to buy a new Smartphone.
3. Let me _____ (take) a photo of you.
4. It's so easy _____ (post) selfies online.
5. _____ (chat) online is a lot of fun.
6. He promised _____ (play) online games less.

B. CONDITIONAL SENTENCES: Complete the gaps with the verbs in brackets.

1. I _____ (tell) your parents if you don't stop with those offensive remarks.
2. If I _____ (be) you, I wouldn't post those pictures.
3. If you need any help, just _____ (ask) me.
4. I _____ (feel) very upset if he posted that photo of me without my permission.
5. If she _____ (not be) here in time, I'll go without her.
6. He'd have more time if he _____ (not play) so many online games.

IV. WRITING

A. You want a friend to go to the cinema with you. Phone up and leave a message. You should:

- invite him/her to go with you
- tell him/her the day and time
- suggest a place to meet

Write 35-45 words.



