



2nd semester



Topic 2: Technology. Computing. IELTS Writing Master class



Answer the questions

- 1) How often do you use a computer and for what purpose?
- 2) Have you ever taken a course to improve your computer skills?
- 3) Which device do you prefer to use for browsing the internet?
- 4) Do you enjoy using the internet?



Watch the videos

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YngqHI_BLOU
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SpAIW4p8wkw>

Brainstorming and Planning: IELTS Writing Task 2	
<p>Parents should not pressure their children to choose a particular profession. Young people should have the freedom to choose a career path they like.</p> <p>To what extent do you agree or disagree?</p>	
Introduction	<p>[What is your perspective on the essay question?]</p> <p>I somewhat agree:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Main Point 1: Parents should not pressure kids into a specific profession <p>BUT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Main Point 2: Parents should guide their children through open communication about career choices
Body Paragraph 1	<p>[Why shouldn't parents pressure their kids into a specific profession?]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Main Point 1 Paragraph: Children will be motivated by fear of disappointing parents, not internal motivation or enjoyment of their work
Body Paragraph 2	<p>[Why should parents guide their children through open communication about career choices?]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Main Point 2 Paragraph: Open communication can lead to opportunities for positive encouragement and critical feedback about a child's career choices

Example: Read and analyze!

Some believe technology has made our lives too complex and the solution is to lead a simpler life without technology.

- **To what extent do you agree or disagree?**
- Many are of the opinion that technology has done more harm than good and we ought to simplify in order to lead more fulfilling lives. I agree that technology has its drawbacks but I think turning away from technology is impractical.
- The main reason that technology has complicated life for people today is that it has made people perpetually available. In the past, a worker might work a 9 to 5 then come home to spend time with their family, have dinner and enjoy their private life. That simplicity is largely no longer the case. Once work ends, you can still get email notifications and phone calls from managers or co-workers. The end result is that you can never be fully present in the moment because work always threatens to pull you back.



Although life has become more complicated and this is a negative development, shutting yourself off from technology would only serve to isolate people from the world. If you want to stay in touch with friends and know about events in your area, it is essential to have a phone. You can use Facebook Messenger to cheaply chat with individuals or make group plans. Email is an indispensable element of nearly every job. Without it, you are filtering out quality jobs and predetermining manual work as your vocation.

In conclusion, although technology has hurt people, turning away from it is not feasible today without making drastic sacrifices. Instead, people ought to seek ways to compartmentalize technology in order to live happier, more satisfying lives.



• **Vocabulary**

- **cheaply chat inexpensively communicate with**
- **indispensable element crucial part**
- **filtering out avoiding**
- **predetermining manual work making it so you can't do other jobs**
- **vocation job/calling**
- **feasible realistic**
- **drastic sacrifices big cuts, giving up a lot**