

CHEBAIKI ABDELKADER HIGH SCHOOL
SECOND EXAMINATION OF ENGLISH

READING COMPREHENSION

Read the text carefully then do the activities

Can Technology Alone Improve Student Learning?

Many experts in education have different viewpoints on this subject. The only apparent thing is the fact that technology plays and will continue to play an important role in teaching and learning. It seems that in some time it can even replace the personality of a teacher, who knows what may happen in future?

Obviously, modern people have become dependent upon technology. It develops so rapidly that it seems in a couple of years we will fly to other planets and have robots to serve and work for us. The same thing happens in the modern classrooms, which are gradually transformed into technological labs. Today, the diversity of devices appearing in the classroom are impressive. According to the statistical data, over 250 million of the US population own mobile phones and 86% of them have smart phones. Over 60% of all EU residents possess phones and about 15% of them mention to have two devices. Interestingly, a great number of those users are kids, teenagers, and students. Other interesting figures say that 56% of US students use either their laptops or desktop computers in the classroom regularly. The same number of learners wishes their instructors to use more different devices in learning. Over 50% of students have recently taken online courses and 92% of students show interest in personalized learning and online degrees. Doesn't that mean that a great shift has already taken place in education due to technology?

Though it may seem that students use technology only for fun, this viewpoint is far from being truthful. Even a simple online search and browsing the search results are beneficial for brain work, let alone hundreds of other things you can do with a laptop or mobile phone in your hands. Undoubtedly, students do not refer modern technology entirely to educational devices, but still, they agree that technology can and must be used in learning.

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Rewritten and corrected by your teacher.

1/ The text is: *a-Argumentative b- Expository c-Narrative*

2/. Are the following statements true or false?

- a) Experts agreed that technology improves student learning.
- b) Modern classrooms are gradually swapped into technological labs.
- c) Technological devices are used by kids only.
- d) Students concur that technology has to be used in education.

3/. In which paragraph are students concurred that technology has to be used in education?

4. Answer the following questions according to the text. Use correct English otherwise your answers won't be corrected.

- a) Have experts agreed that technology improves student learning?
- b) What do learners wish from their teachers?
- c) Has a great shift already taken place in education due to technology?
- d) what are Online search and browsing the search results beneficial for?

5/ what or who do the underlined words refer to in the text?

this subject §1

them §2

they §3

B/ Text Exploration

-Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to:

a) obvious §1

b progressively §3

c) virtuous §3

-Complete the chart as shown in the example

VERB	NOUN	ADJECTIVE
To educate	education	educational
To enroll		
.....	Acquisition .	
.....		impressive

Rewrite these sentences using the given structure

1/ Can Technology Alone Improve Student Learning?

Can.....

2/ a Pakistani Activist said, “One book, one pen, one child and one teacher can change the world”.

a Pakistani Activist **said**.....

3/ Parents had better control their children’s academic progress.

It’s about time

4/if teachers hadn’t educated you; you would have faced worse fate.

Unless.....

Classify the following words according to the stressed syllable.

Parents community evidence evaluate situation personally

1 st syllable stressed	2 nd syllable stressed	3 rd syllable stressed	4 th syllable stressed

PART TWO: WRITING (5points) Choose one topic only:

*Topic 01: In no more than 100 words write a composition about: **Can one bathe without water? Definitely not, so also, education without teachers is not possible because teachers are eyes with which learners see. Write a composition about the importance of teachers in education.** Use the following hints

Education without teachers is incomplete./ **E**ducation without teachers would be like a herd of sheep without a shepherd./ without the guidance of a teacher, students would become reluctant/ a teacher can inspire hope, ignite the imagination ,instill a love of learning/ The importance of teachers in education is indispensable. **E**ducation would never be able to go well without teachers.

Topic 02: Write a paragraph on the following topic:

Your teacher states, if we want to improve the Algerian educational system, governments should ban co-education (mixed-sex education)

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NO PAIN

NO GAIN