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ANGLAIS

The question over allowing cellphones in the classroom is one of the most complicated problems facing public education today. Both parents and educators recognize the safety benefits of allowing students access to phones while they are on school grounds. However, it's impossible to deny that cell phones come with **their** own disadvantages.

Some people believe that phones are useful devices for studying. They argue that smartphones allow quick access to online dictionaries or educational videos. By using a cell phone, a student can search for the meaning of a difficult word in seconds or watch a short tutorial to understand a lesson. Cell phones can also help complete tasks faster, stay organized and communicate easily with teachers or classmates about schoolwork.

However, many other people disagree. They say that cellphones often cause distractions during lessons. Instead of paying attention to the teacher, some students secretly check messages, browse social media, or play games. This makes it hard for teachers to keep students focused. In addition, the constant use of phones, can affect students' social skills because **they** spend less time interacting with classmates in person. Too much screen time can negatively affect students' sleep, and even mental health.

Adapted from https:// www.bing.com/search use of cell phones at school

I. COMPREHENSION (8 marks)

A Complete the following table with information from the text **(2 marks)**

	Benefits	Disadvantages
	-help complete tasks faster	**-often cause distractions**
Cell phones	1-_____	3._____
	2-_____	4._____

B.Are these sentences true (T) or false (F)? Justify your answers from the text. **(2 marks)**

5. Only educators recognize the safety benefits of allowing students access to phones at school. **T / F**
Justification: "_____"
6. Abuse of cellphone time can have very bad effects on students. **T / F**
Justification: "_____"

C. Give the paragraph number corresponding to the following ideas. **(2 marks)**

Ideas	Paragraph numbers
7. Cell phones can be the source of a lot of problems at school.	Parag. No_____
8. Cell phones are efficient learning tools.	Parag. No_____

D.Complete with the right options **(2 marks)**

9. **allowing** (Parag.1) means _____
a) punishing b) prohibiting c) permitting
10. **useful** (Parag.2) means _____
a) unimportant b) advantageous c) dangerous

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11. **their** (Parag.1) refers to _____
a) cell phones b) parents c) students
12. **They** (Parag.3) refers to _____
a) teachers b) phones c) students

II. LINGUISTIC AND COMMUNICATIVE COMPETENCE (6 marks)

E. Complete with the right option (2 marks)

Cellphones have almost replaced textbooks. Everyday students spend hours on social media. A habit that has gradually (13) _____ (**affecting/ affected/ affects**) their concentration. A few years (14) _____ (**already/ ever/ ago**), students formed groups and discussed various issues. Now silence prevails. Each student (15) _____ (**was/ is/ are**) staring at a screen. If this situation (16) _____ (**continued/ continues/ continuous**), academic performances and collaborative spirit will be severely impacted.

F. In the conversation below, Modu has made three mistakes in the words in bold. one has been corrected for you as an example. Correct the remaining mistakes. (2 marks)

Nafi: Hi Modu! Is that your new phone?
Modu: Yes**, it was**. Nafy, this brand is an original one, **aren't you?**
Nafi: That's true, it is. But my dear, you certainly need some recommendations, don't you?
Modu: Yes, **I am**. What advice would you give me?
Nafi: Well, you should not overuse your cell phone, except for research and useful activities for your studies.

Mistakes	Corrections
Example: it was	**Yes, it is**
aren't you?	17. _____
I am	18 _____

G. Match the notions in the box with the corresponding statements. (2 marks)

POSSIBILITY- OPINION – CONDITION – FREQUENCY - CONTRAST

STATEMENTS	NOTIONS
19.**However**, it's impossible to deny that cell phones come with their own disadvantages	
20.Some people **believe** that phones are useful devices for studying.	
21.They say that cellphones **often** cause distractions during lessons.	
22.Too much screen time **can** negatively affect students' sleep, and even mental health.	

III. WRITING Choose one topic and write about 150 words on it. (6 marks)

TOPIC 1: The Minister of Education has recently interdicted the use of cell phones at school? As a student, are you for or against this decision? Develop your arguments coherently.

TOPIC 2: One of your classmates counts only on cheating with his/ her cellphone to get good marks in evaluations. You are trying to convince him/ her to abandon this dishonest habit. Write out your conversation.