

## UNIT TEST 12

### SECTION A: GRAMMAR

#### 1 Complete the sentences by putting the verbs in brackets into the most appropriate conditional form.

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_ (be) happy to work for them if they gave you the job?
- 2 If electricity hadn't been invented, we probably \_\_\_\_\_ (not have) all the technology we have today.
- 3 I might not be able to meet you if the meeting \_\_\_\_\_ (run) later than expected.
- 4 If he'd really wanted to be a doctor, he \_\_\_\_\_ (study) harder at university.
- 5 We \_\_\_\_\_ (be) unable to access all the information we have today if the web hadn't been invented.
- 6 If you \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a map as I suggested, we wouldn't be stuck in the middle of nowhere now!
- 7 She wouldn't have had the accident if she \_\_\_\_\_ (not drive) while looking at the map.
- 8 What \_\_\_\_\_ (you/change) in your life if you had the chance?
- 9 Imagine you could have any job you wanted. What \_\_\_\_\_ (it/be)?
- 10 We could go on holiday if you \_\_\_\_\_ (think) it's a good idea.

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#### 2 Choose the correct option to complete the sentences.

- 1 *Supposing / As long as / Unless* you won the lottery, what would you do with the money?
- 2 We can meet *unless / supposing / provided* that you have the time.
- 3 I can help them as *long / provided / if* as you bring back my computer.
- 4 *Provided / Unless / If* you give me my computer back, I'll have to report the theft to the police.
- 5 *Unless / If / As long* I had had time, I would have gone to the conference last week.

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### SECTION B: VOCABULARY

#### 3 Complete the sentences with words from the box.

equipment close machines device lasting  
appliances apparatus cutting gadgets

- 1 He has to buy every electronic \_\_\_\_\_ he sees.
- 2 My kitchen contains many \_\_\_\_\_ which do every kitchen job imaginable.
- 3 We've got to buy new household \_\_\_\_\_ when we move into our own home.
- 4 They've bought some new office \_\_\_\_\_, so we won't have to put up with the printer breaking down every five minutes!
- 5 Their ideas are \_\_\_\_\_ -edge and have won them many awards.
- 6 You need to use long-\_\_\_\_\_ materials for this.
- 7 How many \_\_\_\_\_ make up the production line in the factory?
- 8 When people go into space, they use special breathing \_\_\_\_\_ to survive.
- 9 They come from a very \_\_\_\_\_ -knit community.

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#### 4 Complete the text with the negative form of words from the box. There are more words than you need.

like sensitive trust equality accurate  
convenient efficient advantages

There has been a lot of <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ recently with regard to the value of technology, especially where large organisations seem to be spying on people. Furthermore, the information we receive from the press may often be <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, so you can't believe everything you hear or read. Technology enables people to do almost anything these days, however much we may <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. We have allowed its development to continue unrestrained because we want to improve <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ systems. But what about the human element of all this? When a computer generates a standard letter to someone who has just died, even though the company has been informed, this is extremely <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ and upsetting for those who receive the letter. It has also led to an increase in <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, especially amongst children: those who have all the latest gadgets and computers and those who don't.

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## SECTION C: INTEGRATED SKILLS

### 5a Read the article and choose the best title.

- a You shouldn't believe everything you read
- b The technology debate continues
- c The benefits of technology outweigh the negatives
- d New technology provides serious challenges

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### 5b Read the article and complete the summary with words from the box. There are more words than you need.

signs proud developed enthusiastic improved  
benefit unable overweight reduced stuck  
notices increase substantial

People who reject technology are often  
1 \_\_\_\_\_ of their viewpoint and older  
people tend to be less 2 \_\_\_\_\_ about it  
than younger people. It is clear that older people are  
usually more resistant to change than younger ones.  
However, it is these older people who could  
3 \_\_\_\_\_ greatly when they are  
4 \_\_\_\_\_ to leave the house due to illness.  
Some people think that the use of technology has  
5 \_\_\_\_\_ young people's attention spans and  
encouraged them to become 6 \_\_\_\_\_  
owing to a lack of physical exercise. Others counter  
these negative elements by pointing out that their  
grades have 7 \_\_\_\_\_ because of the internet.  
Moreover, there is a 8 \_\_\_\_\_ amount of  
health information online, although if used unwisely,  
it could cause people to worry more or refuse to  
notice warning 9 \_\_\_\_\_ of something serious.

A lively debate is going on these days about the value of technology and whether the human race is actually gaining from it more than it is losing.

The technophobes tend to have a certain arrogance in their attitude towards technology, wearing this attitude almost as badge of honour, and rejecting mobile phones, tablets and computers, announcing that they will eventually destroy the human race. As people get older, they often become more entrenched in their ways and hate change of any kind. As a result, the older generation are often uninterested in new technology.

In addition, there is a school of thought that believes the younger generation spend too much time on the computer and other devices and that technology is diminishing their concentration span, leading to poor results in their studies. It is thought they do little physical exercise, thus contributing to the growing problem of obesity.

Another area which causes problems is the proliferation of health websites. Medical professionals are very concerned by the increased anxiety people suffer when self-diagnosing (often mistakenly) serious or terminal illnesses or failing to recognise the symptoms of a serious illness and delaying a visit to the doctor.

On the other hand, it should also be remembered that the older generation can actually gain from technology. Older people are more likely to find themselves isolated when they are ill or living alone and technology is the one thing that can act as a lifeline to the rest of the world.

In terms of the younger generation, many would argue that using the internet can help students broaden their knowledge and, as a result, gain better marks at school. Also, if a child has a long-term illness and can't attend school, they can be connected to their teachers and class via computer. As far as a lack of exercise goes, there are many apps that can be downloaded to help people train and lose weight.

It can also be argued that there are many good health websites on the internet and these can enable people to become more aware of their health, which can cut down on unnecessary visits to the doctor or help people recognise the early symptoms of an illness.

There is clearly some value in technology for the older and younger generations. However, there are also some potential pitfalls. Technology: good or bad? The jury is still out, but the best outcome would be to take advantage of the positive aspects and be aware of the negatives.

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