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- Citește cu atenție fiecare item și efectuează operațiile solicitate.
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‘Mental Risk’ of Facebook Teens

A generation that is growing up using social networking websites, such as Facebook and MySpace, is less likely to form lasting relationships and is more likely to act without thinking, an expert has warned.

The annual meeting of the Royal College of Psychiatrists was informed about the fact that many people who were born in 1990 or later have only known a world with the Internet, so they could grow up with an unrealistic view of the world and themselves. Moreover, while social networking sites offer great benefits, there are potential problems.

Dr Himanshu Tyagi, a psychiatrist, says social networking sites have encouraged the idea that friendships and relationships can be formed and ended quickly and easily. He says, “It’s a world where everything moves fast and changes all the time, where relationships are ended at the click of a mouse. Online, you can delete your profile and change who you are in a few seconds.” He explains that because everything happens so quickly on social networking sites, people may start to find the real world boring.

Moreover, Dr Himanshu Tyagi says teenagers who socialize online are more likely to make quick decision without thinking about the consequences of their action. They might not pay attention to their ‘real world’ selves, and might find it difficult to form relationships in the real world as they don’t learn about their body language, tone of voice and facial expressions online. He says that if you can see someone’s face or body language or hear the changes in their voices; these will influence your understanding of what’s going on. He added that friendship means something very different to the ‘internet generation’.

However, there are also benefits. When you’re online, you often don’t know the wealth, race or gender of the person you’re communicating with. Dr. Tyagi added, “No one is a stranger on the net. It may not be the best way to make lasting friendships, but it does make everyone equal.”

Graham Jones, a psychologist with an interest in the influence of the Internet, said: “For every new generation, the experience they have of the world is a different one. When the printing press was first invented, I am sure there were thousands of people saying it was a bad thing.” Jones added that the people who tended to be more active on sites such as Facebook were those who were the most socially active anyway.

So, the scientists’ points of view on the impact of social networking sites are divided and it is up to each parent and teenager to make a safe choice.

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1. **Answer the question.**  
   Why do people who were born after 1990 might have an unrealistic opinion of the world?  
   | A 0 | A 1 1 2
2. **Find in the text the synonyms for the words given below.**  
a) to tend - ____________________  
b) to inspire - ____________________  
   | A 0 2 4 | A 0 2 4
### Question 3
Find in the text the antonyms for the words given below.

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<td>a) disadvantage</td>
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### Question 4

**Identify and circle the correct variant (True/False). Justify your choice.**

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<td>a) Teenagers who use social networking sites tend to make well-thought decisions.</td>
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<td>b) Communication through social networks has only disadvantages.</td>
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### Question 5

**Give another title to the text. Write your title in the form of a sentence.**

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### Question 6

**Comment in 4 lines the phrase below.**

For every new generation, the experience they have of the world is a different one.

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### Question 7

**Identify the message of the text and comment on it in 5 lines.**

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SECTION II. THE ASSESSMENT OF LINGUISTIC COMPETENCE (20 points)

Choose the correct word from those given in brackets. Fill in the gaps with the suitable article and preposition. Write the correct form of the words in brackets.

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| 1-10 | When I was a child, my mother advised me to study. She did not want me to lose out on a quality education. (Therefore, Although, Nevertheless) ___________________ she forbid me to watch (too/enough/hardly) ___________________ much television. Instead, she would tell me to practice ___________________ piano. I absolutely hated when my mother made me (to play) ___________________ it. So, while most of my friends were busy chatting online with each other, I (to practice) ___________________.

Well, today I (had better/must/may) ___________________ thank her. As a well-known pianist who travels around the world, I am happy that she convinced me to appreciate hard work. I (never, to get) ___________________ where I am today without her focus on education and practice. Nowadays, besides giving concerts, I mentor children. When I am asked about the person who motivated me to pursue my career, I tell them it was my mother. She was the one who believed in my talent. It was one of the many things that (to give) ___________________ to me and I simply did not ignore it. Today I am looking forward the new gifts that will be given to me and be sure this time (nobody/anybody/somebody) ___________________ needs to motivate me. I will jump on the opportunity to work hard and to be the best.

SECTION III. THE ASSESSMENT OF PRAGMATIC AND CULTURAL COMPETENCES (20 points)

Write a coherent 10-line text describing the situation below.

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<td>Your friends have decided to visit London next summer. They would like to visit another city in the UK, but they need your advice to make a decision. Suggest a city in Great Britain, besides London, that they should visit and explain what they could see in it.</td>
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SECTION IV. THE ASSESSMENT OF PRAGMATIC AND CIVIC COMPETENCES

(30 points)

Write a coherent 20-line text expressing your attitude on the given topic.

Some people think that it is better for children to grow up in villages. Do you agree or disagree? Bring at least TWO arguments.

Use the following plan:
· Make an introduction;
· Bring two arguments;
· Draw a conclusion.