6.8 Technology and Social Media in Everyday Life (Writing): 30-minute Pack

AQA 8692 · about 30 minutes

Total Marks

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Answer all questions. Note that accents, the enye and inverted punctuation are used correctly in the printed Spanish prompts; write them correctly in your own answers too. Question 1: Describe y da tu opinión en presente y near future, aproximadamente 40-50 words. Question 2: Da tu opinión y justifícala, compara beneficios y peligros de las redes sociales usando presente, pasado y futuro, aproximadamente 90-150 words.

1 Structured writing: Describe your daily use of technology at school and at home, say what you do after class today using near future, say one advantage of technology and one worry, and give a short suggestion to stay safe online. Use present and near future. Approximately 40-50 words.

(Total for Question 1 is 16 marks)

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2 Extended writing: Escribe un texto de 90-150 words sobre las redes sociales. Da tu opinión y justifícala. Compara los beneficios y los peligros, menciona una experiencia pasada en la que la tecnología te ayudó o te causó un problema, y explica qué harás en el futuro para usar las redes sociales de forma responsable. Use present, past and future tenses and link ideas with connectives.

(Total for Question 2 is 16 marks)

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3 Multiple choice: which tense is used? Context: the sentence 'Voy a enviar un correo electrónico más tarde.'

(a) What tense/mood is 'voy a enviar'? **(1)**

- ☐ A present progressive
- ☐ B near future
- ☐ C simple future
- ☐ D present perfect

(Total for Question 3 is 1 mark)

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4 Gap-fill: Read the short paragraph about study and social media and fill each gap with the correct word from the box. Context: using internet for school and free time. Box: tareas, perfiles, compartir, notificaciones, rápida.

(a) Gap 1: Uso el internet para hacer mis (1) _____ y enviar trabajos al profesor. **(1)**

(b) Gap 2: En mi teléfono tengo varios (2) _____ de redes sociales. **(1)**

(c) Gap 3: Prefiero no (3) _____ fotos de mis amigos sin permiso. **(1)**

(d) Gap 4: Apago las (4) _____ cuando estudio para concentrarme. **(1)**

(e) Gap 5: Mi conexión en casa es muy (5) _____ y uso videos para repasar temas. **(1)**

(Total for Question 4 is 5 marks)

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Mark scheme · 6.8 Technology and Social Media in Everyday Life (Writing): 30-minute Pack

Question 1

Content and communication (AO4, 10 marks)

Level 3 All four bullet points are addressed with relevant detail and there is clear communication about present and near future actions.	**8-10**
Level 2 Most bullet points are addressed but some development is limited; meaning is generally clear.	**4-7**
Level 1 One or two bullet points are answered in a basic way; communication may be partially unclear.	**1-3**
Level 0 No creditable content or irrelevant response.	**0**

Range and accuracy of language (AO4, 6 marks)

Level 3 Use of present and near future is generally accurate; vocabulary relevant to technology is used and basic connectives link ideas; errors do not hinder communication.	**5-6**
Level 2 Some correct use of present and near future; vocabulary range is adequate though simple; errors sometimes affect clarity.	**3-4**
Level 1 Limited language with frequent errors; simple phrases only, present tense may dominate and near future attempt may be inaccurate.	**1-2**
Level 0 Language too limited to convey meaning.	**0**

Indicative content:

- Present-tense sentences about daily use at school and at home, e.g. 'En el colegio uso el ordenador para buscar información y en casa hago tareas en mi tableta'.
- A near future clause about after class, e.g. 'Esta tarde voy a repasar apuntes y voy a enviar un email al profesor'.
- One advantage of technology, e.g. 'es útil porque facilita el acceso a información y recursos'.
- One worry or disadvantage, e.g. 'a veces paso demasiado tiempo en la pantalla y me distraigo'.
- A short safety suggestion, e.g. 'para estar seguro, bloqueo a desconocidos y no comparto contraseñas'.
- Use of a simple connective such as 'pero' or 'porque' to link opinión and reason.

Question 2

Content and communication (AO4, 10 marks)

Level 4 A clear and well-developed response that discusses benefits and dangers, includes a past example and future plans, and uses a range of connectives to link ideas.	**8-10**
Level 3 A mostly developed response covering benefits and dangers and including some past or future reference; ideas are linked but development may be uneven.	**5-7**
Level 2 Limited response addressing only some of the required points with little development; connections between ideas may be weak.	**2-4**
Level 1 Very limited content; only one simple point about social media is made.	**1**
Level 0 No creditable content or totally irrelevant.	**0**

Range and accuracy of language (AO4, 6 marks)

Level 4 A wide range of vocabulary and structures; present, past and future tenses used accurately; complex sentences and connectives used effectively; minor errors only.	**5-6**
Level 3 Good range of vocabulary and some complex structures; at least two time frames attempted with some accuracy; errors sometimes affect precision but not overall meaning.	**3-4**
Level 2 Limited range and mainly simple structures; attempts at other time frames may be confused; meaning sometimes unclear due to errors.	**1-2**
Level 0 Language too limited to communicate the required content.	**0**

Indicative content:

- A clear opinión about social media with justification, e.g. 'Creo que las redes sociales son útiles porque permiten comunicarse rápidamente y acceder a información'.
- Comparison of benefits and dangers, e.g. 'por un lado... por otro lado...' or 'aunque... también...'.
- A past example showing technology helped or caused a problem, e.g. 'El año pasado una red social me ayudó a encontrar información para un proyecto, pero también perdí tiempo en mensajes'.
- Future plans for responsible use, e.g. 'En el futuro voy a limitar mi tiempo de pantalla, comprobar fuentes y configurar la privacidad'.
- Use of present, preterite or imperfect for the past example, and near future or simple future for future plans.
- Connectives and qualifiers such as porque, aunque, sin embargo, además, por eso to link and justify ideas.

Question 3

(a) B - near future **B1**

(a) Answer: B - near future

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Question 4

(a) tareas **B1**

(a) Answer: tareas

(b) perfiles **B1**

(b) Answer: perfiles

(c) compartir **B1**

(c) Answer: compartir

(d) notificaciones **B1**

(d) Answer: notificaciones

(e) rápida **B1**

(e) Answer: rápida

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