**1) As people rely more and more on technology to solve problems, the ability of humans to think for themselves will surely deteriorate.**

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

1. 便利使人依赖科技，individual problem solving 能力下降。become slaves of technology 例如 calculator。确实有可能思维能力下降。如: 遇到问题，不自己想办法，而是求助于网络 google。
2. 技术可以节省时间提高效率，留出时间做更重要的 intellectual work 例如information management system; business owners be clear about the inventory。人们追求更多的休闲时间，从而 有了更高效的工作。例如 data analysis，在大数据领域，人们获取的大量的好几个 G 的数据，通过电脑处理，机器学习。如果没有电脑，全部人工算的话，就会大大降低效率 。除此以外，生活水平提高，解决许多问题，沟通没有了距离限制，举例，随着科技进步，学生可以通过远程教育进行交互、开发式学习，比如在mooc上一个人提问，同时有千万个不同地区的人可以为你解答
3. 技术支持下的复杂问题解决过程引发更深入的智力活动随着科技的发达，我们也开始 思考许多原来没有考虑过的问题. 古希腊哲学家 ancient Greek philosopher 说的圆圈的故 事。If we compare the known part of the world to the space within a circle, the unknown part of the world around the circle grows as the circle of our knowledge expands. 对于原来一些 问题的考虑更加全面。如:可持续发展(sustainable development)。technology provides people with effective instruments for intellectual work.如:宇宙探秘，基因遗传变异。

**26) The luxuries and conveniences of contemporary life prevent people from developing into truly strong and independent individuals.**

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