

## Listening and Speaking

As technology is getting advanced, many products have been  
1) created to make life easier. With the help of modern technology,  
people' s 2) standard of living has changed and their life is more  
3) comfortable. People use these new products not only to 4) enhance  
their career but also their health, beauty and wealth. For example,  
mobile phones and smartphones have become important 5) means of  
communication. Today everyone needs a mobile phone for 6) day-today  
purposes. Computers play an important role in every field including  
hospitals, hotels, schools, and other 7) institutes. There are also  
mobile 8) devices like tablets and smartphones that can be used as a  
portable computer. These help people to get their 9) work and everyday  
routine done through 10) a click of a button.

## Text A

## Reading Comprehension

1.

- 1) (1) sniffed at, smug  
(2) proud
- 2) (1) the few remaining holes, quite soon  
(2) disheartened
- 3) (1) impossible to be truly alone, more and more endangered, staring,  
even  
(2) critical
- 4) (1) love the wilderness, can' t wait for my next trip, walk for miles,  
drink deeply from a mountain stream, stretch out under the open sky, gaze  
up at the stars, use my phone  
(2) optimistic

2.

1) F The author admitted that his colleague kind of had a point because he did use GPS. That is to say, to some degree he agreed with his colleague.

2) NG It is not mentioned in the text.

3) F *Waldeinsamkeit* becomes more and more endangered with every cell tower.

4) T Technology can enhance your wilderness experience, for example the Night Sky mobile app, an app concerning birding, or a map app.

5) F The phone isn't the problem. The problem is us — our inability to step away from email and games and inessential data, our inability to look up, be it at an alpine lake or at family members.

## Language in Use

4.

A.		
Noun	Verb	Adjective
competition competitor competitiveness	<u>compete</u>	competitive
civilization civility	<u>civilize</u>	civilized civil
<u>deletion</u>	delete	deletable
<u>enforcement</u> enforcer	enforce	enforce enforceable
<u>identification</u> identity identifier	identify	identified identifiable
migration migrant	migrate	<u>migrant</u> migratory
<u>persistence</u> population	persist populate	<b>persistent</b> populous <u>populated</u>
urge urgency	urge	<u>urgent</u>

B.

- 1) urge, urgent

- 2) delete, deletions

- 3) enforced, enforcement

- 4) identification, identified

- 5) persistence, persistent

- 6) civilization, civilize
- 7) populated, populous

- 8) migrate, migration

5.

- 1) draw the line

- 2) off the grid

- 3) had a point

- 4) get away from it all

- 5) (Being) free of

- 6) serve up

- 7) save for

- 8) live with

6.

- 1) sniffed at

- 2) murmuring at

- 3) rejoice at

- 4) grasp at

- 5) Glancing at

- 6) marveling at

- 7) aim at

- 8) barked at

7.

- 1) packed with

- 2) consisting with

- 3) endowed with

- 4) quivering with

- 5) combined with

- 6) gossiping with

- 7) compromise with

- 8) paled with

8.

### Reference translation

1) 我们走了 200 多英里却没有踏足任何公路；更爽的是，这期间我们没有回复任何电话、电子邮件、推特或其他日常网络通信。这简直就是人间天堂。

2) 但当我们走到小路尽头，站在惠特尼山巅，俯瞰着广阔无垠的西部，随处可见的各种智能手机让我惊愕不已。

3) 每个人对何为彻底逃离（科技）都有自己的定义。在某些人看来，我的所谓彻底逃离其实并不彻底。

4) 现在的情形已基本如此了。只消上网看看国家电信和信息管理局的全美宽带覆盖图，你就会发现，除了一些高山和人烟稀少的沙漠外，全国基本呈一片连续的蓝色。

5) 这些做法也许荒诞可笑，却发人深省。我们生活在一个非凡的年代，在这个年代里，真正的独处很快将难以企及。

9.

### Reference translation

Bhutan did not introduce TV until 1999, and is the last country that is open to TV and the Internet. Its mobile phone and Internet penetrations are as low as 30% and 5% respectively, almost out of tune with the modernized world. Now that the majority of its people have no mobile phones and no access to the Internet, they have little odds of being phubbers or night persons. While the other countries are striving desperately to develop economy and boost GDP at all costs, what Bhutan pursues is GNH (Gross National Happiness). They are willing to take advantage of modern technology, but would do it at their own pace, according to their own needs and at their own proper time. Although likewise thirsting for economic prosperity, Bhutan refuses to realize it at the price of their cherished tradition and culture.

## Text B

### Reading Comprehension

1.

1) (1) objective

(2) People show love to their mothers online on Mother's Day.

2) (1) subjective

(2) The influence of technology is admittedly an important factor, but it is also true that the Millennial Generation is more obsessed with individualism than ever.

3) (1) subjective

(2) Whether the pursuit of originality is the cause or consequence of our generation's alienation, the two are clearly linked and central to understanding it.

4) (1) objective

(2) It is reported that Millennials are more materialistic and indifferent.

## Language in Use

2.

- 1) conscious

- 2) profess

- 3) dilemma

- 4) alienate

- 5) prejudice

- 6) interaction

- 7) obsession



- 8) crafted

3.

- 1) at the cost of

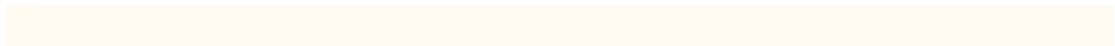


- 2) at the mercy of



- 3) at the speed of

- 4) in partnership with

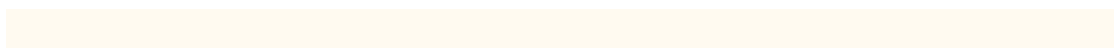


- 5) in accordance with



- 6) in connection with

- 7) beyond doubt



- 8) beyond words



- 9) beyond comparison

4.

## Reference translation

1) Many people tend to be more concerned with how other people react to an issue, rather than how they feel about it themselves.

2) We're going to look into the root cause of the failure, and get it resolved once and for all.

3) The most challenging thing in foreign language learning might be to think in the same manner as native speakers.

4) She was not beautiful. Nothing about her was extraordinary. Nothing about her made her stand out.

5) Many of these interviewers will be your supervisors and colleagues, and they will take turns asking you questions.

## Writing

### Exercise 1

1) As a result of human population growth, deforestation and hunting, the number of koalas has declined.

2) The work was physically hard; the pay was poor; and most of all, the working conditions were dismal.

3) Because of its sense of loyalty, its ability to be trained, and its great companionship, a dog is the perfect pet for me.

4) The person who practices tae kwon do gains discipline, maturity, and a changed self-concept.

### Exercise 2

- 1) b

- 2) b

- 3) b

- 4) a



### Exercise 3

For reference

- 1) it appears that computers have made our life and work more convenient
- 2) meals prepared by either chefs or cooks can be equally delicious
- 3) have their idiosyncrasies
- 4) its crowdedness and inconvenience sometimes