

READING PROCESS WORKSHEET

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TEXT TITLE: Are we too dependent on technology? DATE: November 27, 2024
TEXT TYPE: Expository Article AUTHOR: Terry Brown

I. PRE-READING (10 POINTS)

A. Complete the table with the headings, subheadings, and visual titles/descriptions from the text. Provide at least 2 entries for each column.

Headings	Subheadings	Title/Description of Visuals
"Are we too dependent on technology?" "Summary"	"Who Needs Knowledge?" "Are There Business Costs of Being Too Dependent on Technology? "	"Are we Too Dependent on Technology?" A collection of various items assembled to look like a robot pondering its' gadgets A graph of Memory Retention over time

B. Fill the table with information that you already know about the topic (K), you wonder about the topic (W), and you will learn after reading the text (L). Fill the L Column after reading the text. Provide at least 2 entries for each column.

K	W	L
People depend on technology for small, everyday tasks People underestimate how dependent they are on technology and the tasks they can accomplish.	To what extent do we heavily rely on tech? How difficult would it be if we suddenly lost tech and its convenience in everyday life?	People tend to forget what they've been taught in short timespans, especially with larger amounts of info.

II. READING (30 POINTS)

A. Fill the table with specific details from the text and inferences that can be drawn from it. Provide at least 2 entries for each column.

Details from the Text	Plausible Inferences
"The Knowledge" is an extremely demanding test of memory on London's map, routes, streets, landmarks, and more. But as sat-navs and GPS technology have become available and widespread, there have been calls for it to be scrapped.	Even jobs that require a high familiarity or expertise in an area become easy to achieve with the assistance of modern technology.
In 2019, \$83 billion was spent on corporate training and development across the US. But the average person forgets about 70% of new information within 24 hours, and 80% within a week.	Corporate training is costly, especially when a majority of the information passed to new employees is forgotten after a duration.

B. Figure out the meaning of the technical term from the text. Write the technical term, indicate the clue from the text, and use the term in your own sentence. Provide at least 2 entries for each column.

Technical Term	Context Clue (i.e., antonym, synonym, examples, description, word parts, definition or any clues in the text	Use each technical term in a sentence

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1. Sat-Navs	GPS Technology	I'll find a better route with this Sat-nav.
2. Digital Amnesia	"Failure to commit data to memory due to availability"	Sorry about the digital amnesia. I forgot your number because it's saved in my phone.
3.		
4.		
5.		

C. Supply the missing information below:

1. Topic of the text: Human dependence on technology
2. Writer's opinion about the text's topic: Humanity as a whole has become reliant on technology, to the point of inaction and slowly lowering the bar. We become less intelligent as a result of giving technology the tasks that would normally promote learning.
3. Support for writer's opinion (e.g., evidence such as facts, testimonies, examples, etc.):
 - a. For example, in 2019, \$83 billion was spent on corporate training and development across the US. But the average person forgets about 70% of new information within 24 hours, and 80% within a week.
 - b. In 2015, 70% of people were able to recall their partner's phone number. Four years later, that number decreased to 60%. Similarly, 68% of people could call their parents without first looking up the number to dial – but by 2019, only 64% could.
 - c. The truth is that the world would have to be facing a truly apocalyptic scenario for our perhaps over-dependence on technology to be exposed – at which point we wouldn't have a lot of use for our remaining manual and cognitive skills in any case.

III. POST-READING (10 POINTS)

A. Answer the following rhetorical analysis guide questions.

1. What credentials does the author have which give him/her the authority to write about the topic of the text? The topic of the text discusses the reliance of humankind on technology. As such, Terry Brown has the authority to talk about the topic because he is also a human who possibly has reliance, or has seen such reliance in their peers.
2. After considering the author's profession and affiliation, what possible biases the author might have about the topic? The author is biased against the general populace, as it is apparent that we as a whole have become extremely reliant on technology and the convenience it provides.
3. What is the purpose of the text, and how does the author accomplish that purpose? What evidence does the author use to support the main idea in the text? To inform or warn about how technology is numbing our minds, supported by how much info is lost when it can be easily recorded via tech.
4. What specific idea/information in the text challenges or surprises you? Why? What surprises me is how much info is lost by new employees. It turns out we as a whole have become dormant when it comes to remembering info mainly because of how easy it is to record such info in "notepad" taking apps that we can easily return to.
5. Is the style of writing suitable for the intended audience? Is it too formal or too casual? Why? I believe the writing style is casual enough, as it approaches the reinforcing details that show the reader how much we rely on technology well enough to impact the viewer to stay and read.