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ENGLISH PROFICIENCY TEST 1

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Part 1: Social Interaction (3')

Let's talk about your free time activities.

- What do you often do in your free time?
→ I often play sports and read newspaper. They help me improve my body and mind.
- Do you watch TV? If no, why not? If yes, which TV channel do you like best? Why?
→ Yes , I do because watching TV helps me relax. I like films on HBO channel.
→ No, I don't. I used to watch TV a lot when I was at home with my family. But now, as a student, I don't have a TV in my apartment. Instead, I use my laptop to watch movies and read the news online.
- Do you read books? If no, why not? If yes, what kinds of books do you like best? Why?
→ Yes, I do because reading books helps me have more knowledge and it also helps me relax. I like fantasy such as Harry Potter.
→ Actually, I don't like reading books. I only read textbook. I think they're boring. I like to play sport or computer games more.

Let's talk about your neighborhood.

- Can you tell me something about your neighborhood?
→ I was born and grew in Da Nang city. It is a famous attraction. There are many interesting and beautiful places to visit and relax.
- What do you like most about it?
→ I like the seafood because it is very fresh and delicious.
- Do you plan to live there for a long time? Why/why not?
→ Yes, I do because this is the place where I am living and working. Moreover, today Da Nang is developing so much.

Part 2: Solution Discussion (4')

Situation: A group of people is planning a trip from Danang to Hanoi. Three means of transport are suggested: by train, by plane, and by coach. Which means of transport do you think is the best choice?

by train	By plane	By coach
(+) it is safe. (+) it is quite quick. (+) they can see the beautiful landscapes outside. (+) it is cheap. (+) it is quite convenient. There're bathrooms inside and other services.	(+) it is safe. (+) it is quick. (+) they can see the beautiful landscapes from above. (+) it is convenient because of good service.	(+) it is cheap.
(-) it is slower than a plane.	(-) it costs a lot of money. (-) it takes a lot of time for procedure and waiting at the airport.	(-) it's not very convenient, not many coaches prefer having a bathroom in it because it often smells bad.

If ..., among ____, ____ and ____, I would choose/ suggest ____.

Firstly, ...

Moreover, ...

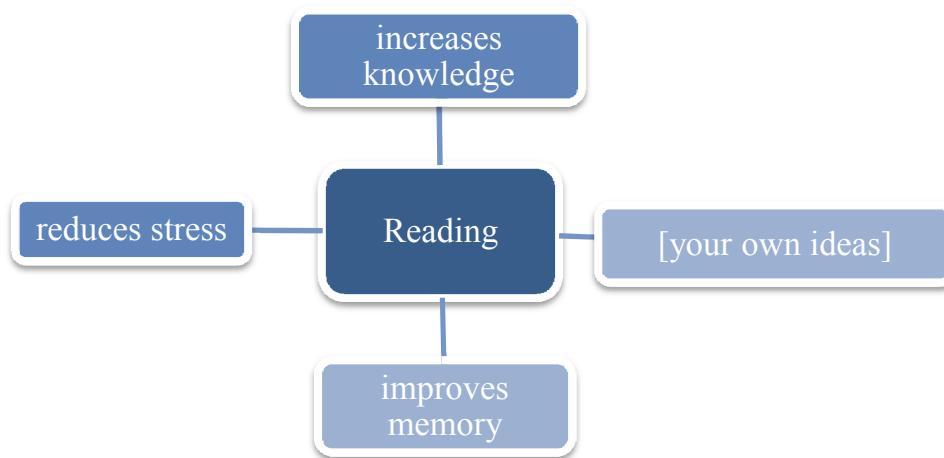
____ and ____ have great advantages, too. However, I wouldn't choose ____ because ...

While I wouldn't choose ____ because ...

Therefore, I think ____ is the best choice.

Part 3: Topic Development (5')

Topic: Reading habit should be encouraged among teenagers.



- *What is the difference between the kinds of books read by your parents' generation and those read by your generation?*
- *Do you think that governments should support free books for all people?*
- *In what way can parents help children develop their interest in reading?*

Reading habit should be encouraged among teenagers because of some reasons.

Firstly, reading helps increase knowledge. There are **a lot of interesting things** in a book, so they can **broaden their mind**. (For example, travel guide provides knowledge and experience in tourism, self-help teaches them the suitable ways to live, and science helps them know more about the world.) The knowledge they receive from a book can be very helpful in life.

Secondly, reading helps reduce stress. When they are **diving** in the world of a book, they will **forget the stress**, **worrying** or **sadness**. It's a good way to **relax**.

Another benefit of reading is it helps improve memories. People consider reading a way to allow their **brain to exercise** so that it can be healthy to **work/ function** better. This helps we memorize and remember better.

Lastly, it helps students have a better **vocabulary source**. When they read, they can expose to and learn many **new words**, as well as **see them in context**. This is very beneficial for them to use these words correctly. Having good vocabulary source helps them better not only at reading and listening but they can also speak and write better.



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Part 1: Social Interaction (3')

Let's talk about your work and studies

- Do you work or are you a student?
➔ I'm a student of Da Nang university of Technology. My major is Civil Engineering. I learn how to design and construct roads and bridge.
- Do you enjoy your work/studies?
- What do you want to study in the future?
→ I want to study *the master* in the future because I want to develop my major more and more.
➔ I want to study Japanese because I want to work in a Japanese company, which often has good working environment.

Let's talk about your work

- What's your job?
- Why did you choose that job?
→ Because it is suitable with my major, the salary is high.
- Would you like to change your job in the future?
→ No, I don't want to change my job because now my job is very good, and it is not easy to find a good job.

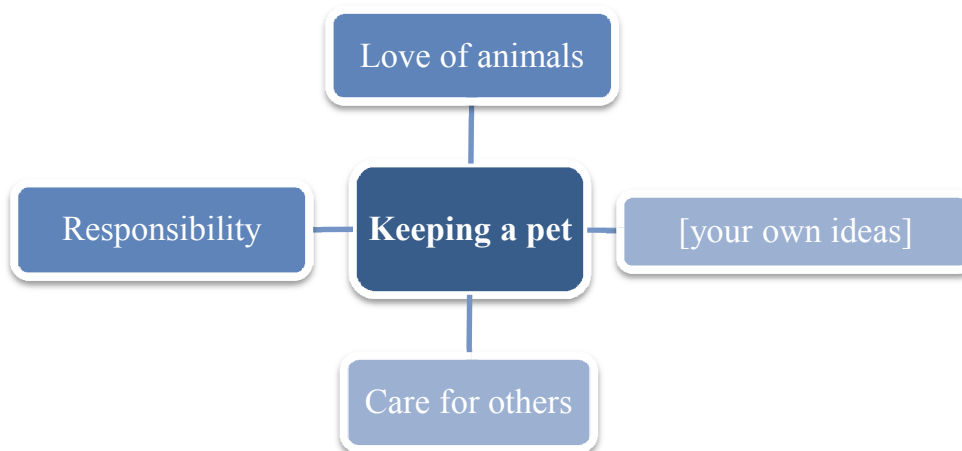
Part 2: Solution Discussion (4')

Situation: Your friend is going to study in an English speaking country. He/She wants to improve his/her English. He is considering having one-to-one lessons with a native teacher, going to an English class at a language center or doing an online course. In your opinion, which is the best choice?

having one-to-one lessons with a native teacher	going to an English class at a language center	doing an online course
(+) maximize talking time with native speaker (+) the lessons are well-designed to fit him, which are suitable with his level and his needs. (+) he can ask any question	(+) the lesson are well-organized and suitable for most of the students. (+) there are classmates - it's a good environment to practise: competitive and co-operating	(+) convenient – learn anywhere- don't need to present physically in the classroom. (+) cheaper than an offline course
(-) it takes a lot of money (-) he may not understand all the explanations	(-) there are other students- the teacher can not answer all his questions (-) the lesson may not fit his level well	(-) less direct interaction

Part 3: Topic Development (5')

Topic: Keeping a pet teaches children a lot of interesting things



- *Is keeping a pet popular in your country?*
- *How do people in your country treat wild animals?*
- *Should animals be kept in the zoo?*

There are many lessons that keeping a pet can teach children.

The first thing is the love for animals. A pet is like **a little friend** to the kid, who **plays** with him or **listens to** what he says. This connection leads to the kid **developing the love** for the pet and, for the world of **animals in general**. In the future, he will make effort to protect them.

Secondly, they learn responsibility. **It's important** for the pet to have good **meal**, to **get bath** or to **go to the vet** at the right time. If he fails to do these for the pet, there will be troubles. By being aware of this, the kid become **responsible for** the ones he's taking care of, not only the pet, but furthermore, also people around, and the works he will do in the future.

Thirdly, this will help him grow the care for the others. Pets have problems like human. They may **happy**, **sad** or **worried**, sometimes they get sick and don't feel good. The kids will **pay attentions to** these feelings and will learn to **ease** their pets. Furthermore, they will develop the care for other people.

Lastly, keeping a pet give kids a chance to learn more about **biological features** of animals. For example, he will **notice** different parts of the pet's **body** and some of their **habits**. These may help them understand more about the world and maybe beneficial for their studying or in life later.

In conclusion, love for animals, res[onsibility, care for other and awareness about some biological features are what keeping a pet teaches children.



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Part 1: Social Interaction (3')

Let's talk about your work.

- What do you do?
→ I am aNow I am working in.....
- How many hours do you work a day?
→ 8 hours a day
- Do you enjoy your work?
→ Yes, I do

Let's talk about your leisure time

- What do you like doing in your free time?
→ play sports, read books or drink coffee with my friend
- Do you prefer going out or staying at home? Why?
→ I prefer going out, not staying at home because staying at home is very boring
- Are there any hobbies that you would like to take up?
→ go fishing or swimming

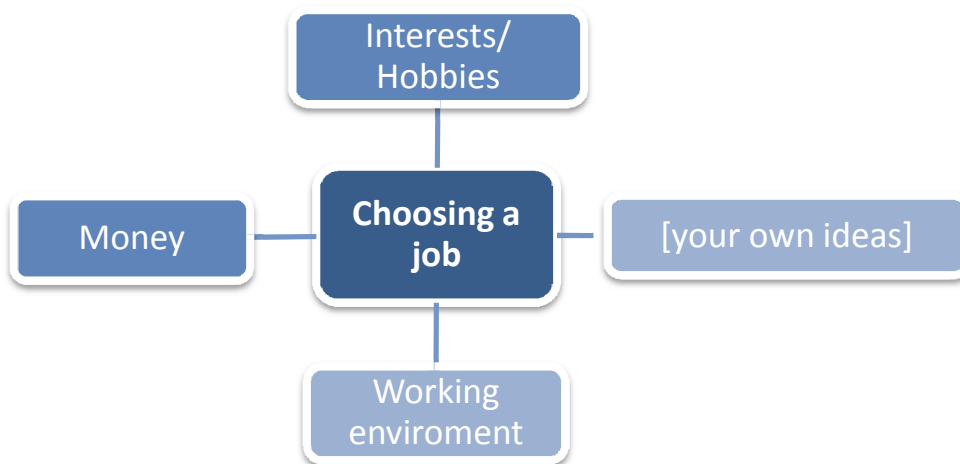
Part 2: Solution Discussion (4')

Situation: A group of friends from other part of your country is going to visit your city, Da Nang. They plan to stay here for two days. They are wondering where to go during the two days: Ba Na Hills, Hoi An ancient town and My Son holly land. In your opinion, which is the best destination for them?

Ba Na Hills	Hoi An ancient town	My Son holly land

Part 3: Topic Development (5')

Topic: There are a lot of factors to be considered when choosing a job



- *What is your ideal job?*
- *Do you think students in your country get enough help in order to choose a career?*
- *What kind of jobs are of interest for young people in your country?*

There are a lot of factors to be considered when choosing a job.

Firstly, people can consider if that job is **suitable with their interests**. It's important for a person to work in a job that he is **interested in**. When he feels **happy and satisfied** with his work, he will work very effectively and **make effort** to overcome all the difficulties to achieve success.

Secondly, money is an important factor to consider. A work with **good salary** will allow people **live a better life** and support people around. If the income is too low, people can not feel satisfied and work their best for it.

Another important factor is working environment. Good facilities, an open-minded, reliable boss and supportive, professional colleagues, the working culture in which the vision and values fit them are very important. They make people feel comfortable and motivated at the workplace.

Lastly, it's working enhancement. People really concern about whether or not they have promotion, have training or workshop and learn new skills. This enables them to improve themselves and achieve the goal of life.

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PART 1: Social Interaction (3')

- Let's talk about the climate in your area.
 - What is the weather like in your area at this time of the year?→ it is rainy season
 - Which season do you like the best? Why?→ I like summer because in this season I can have many outdoor activities
 - Do you prefer to live a cold region or hot region? Why?
- Let's talk about your travelling experience.
 - What was the last place you travelled to?→ It was Nha Trang city
 - Have you ever travelled alone?→ No, I haven't because travelling alone is very boring and dangerous
 - Which city in Vietnam do you like the most?→ I like Vung Tau city because the weather is very wonderful.

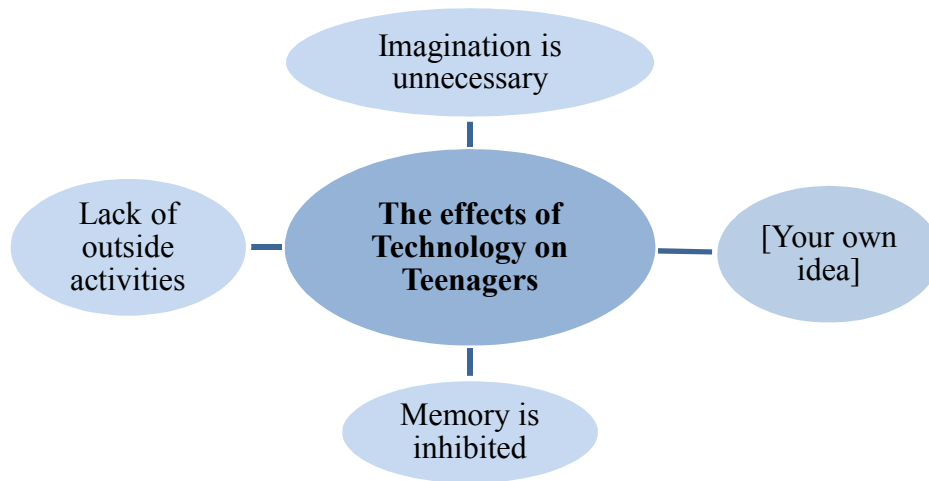
PART 2: Solution Discussion (4')

Situation: You are having a birthday party and many of your friends are invited. Three locations are suggested: at home, in a restaurant and in a karaoke bar. Which do you think is the best place for the party?

at home	in a restaurant	in a karaoke bar
(+) the atmosphere is warm (+) we have more privacy (+) we have more freedom (+) it is cheap	(+) we are served with better service (+) we enjoy the party in better space and atmosphere	(+) it is fun (+) we have more privacy
take time & effort to (-) prepare (-) clean up	(-) it costs more money (-) we have less privacy	(-) it is noisy (-) people sing loudly => we can not communicate much.

PART 3: Topic Development (5')

Topic: The effects of Technology on Teenagers.



- *Do you think technology helps or hurts in the development of our children's thinking? Why?*
- *When are children appropriate for using smartphones?*
- *In what way can parents help their children develop in the good way with technology?*

Firstly, it makes imagination become unnecessary. When they come to something that they don't know, instead of spending a minute imagining, they may immediately go online and search for it. When this is too easy for them, this will form a habit among teenagers, and it's not good for their imagination.

Secondly, they lack outside activities. Technology offers a lot of interesting things, which makes teenagers spend much time using them and ignore other activities, including studying, exercising or going out with friends. This is not good for their physical well-being.

Another drawback of technology on teenagers is it inhibits memory. They tend to be lazy to memorize information because the technology devices and the internet will do it for them. This leads to the dependence on technology when they need to recall any information and could affect their studying negatively.

Lastly, it may be negative for their relationship. It's common to see a group of teenagers who sit in the same place but only stick their noses into the screen instead of communicating with each other. This makes their real-life relationship become weaker.

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PART 1: Social Interaction (3')

• *Let's talk about your home life.*

- Could you tell me something about the area where you grew up? What did you like about living there?

→ I was born and grew up in Da Nang city. I like my city very much because the weather is very wonderful, the people are very friendly and kind.

- How much time do you spend at home nowadays?

→ I am very busy with my work . I work all day, in the morning and in the afternoon. So, the time I only spend at home is in the evening.

- What do you most enjoy doing when you're at home?

→ when I am at home I enjoy watching my favorite films.

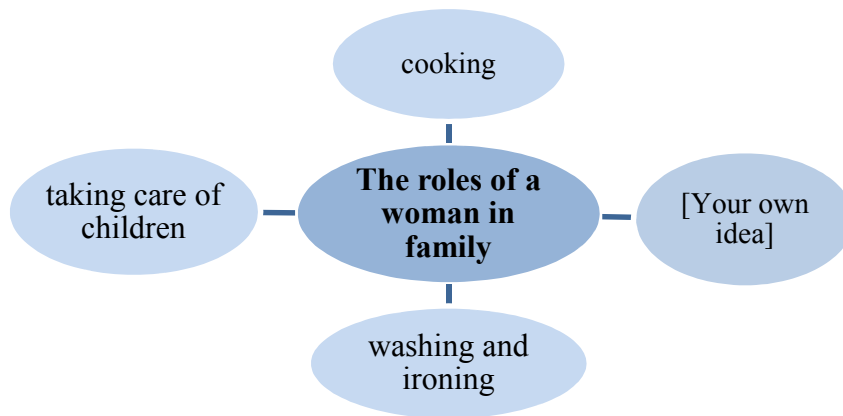
PART 2: Solution Discussion (4')

Situation: Your friend is not quite good at speaking English and he/ she wants to improve it. He/ She asks you about some ways recommended by his/ her English teacher: attending a course of communicative English, taking part in a weekly English speaking club, making friends with foreigners in your city. In your opinion, which is the best choice?

attending a course of communicative English	taking part in a weekly English speaking club	making friends with foreigners in your city
(+) he can learn with experienced teacher, who has the right teaching methods and experience. (+) he is taught with well-organized lessons and curriculum. (+) there are classmates, who are at the same level to practice => it's a suitable environment to practise	(+) it's quite a good environment to practise – it's fun, helps increase self-confidence (+) it's rather cheap	(+) it's natural environment (+) it offers good motivation
(-) it costs a lot of money (-) the timetable is fixed	(-) the practise is not in a process	(-) he's not self-confident enough yet. (-) it's not easy to find one

PART 3: Topic Development (5')

Topic: The roles of a woman in family



- *Do you think the mother's place is in the home? Why?*
- *How many jobs are women responsible for?*
- *Can a woman fulfil the duty of a wife, mother and a career woman?*



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PART 1: Social Interaction (3')

- Let's talk about your daily life.

- How much time do you spend at home?

→ I am very busy with my work . I work all day, in the morning and in the afternoon. So, the time I only spend at home is in the evening.

- Could you tell us about a day you've really enjoyed recently?

→ The day I have really enjoyed recently was the last Friday night when I met my friends. We had dinner, talked about old memories of the time when we were students. I was very happy.

- What's your favourite day of the week?

→ It's Sunday, because this day I don't have to go to work. I can stay in my bed and read books all day.

- Let's talk about work.

- Would you prefer to work for a big or a small company? Why?

→ I prefer to work I a big company because there are many conditions for me to develop my major.

- What do you think would be the most interesting job to do?

→ The most interesting job must be suitable with my major, high salary and good working environment.

- What is your most important consideration when choosing a job?

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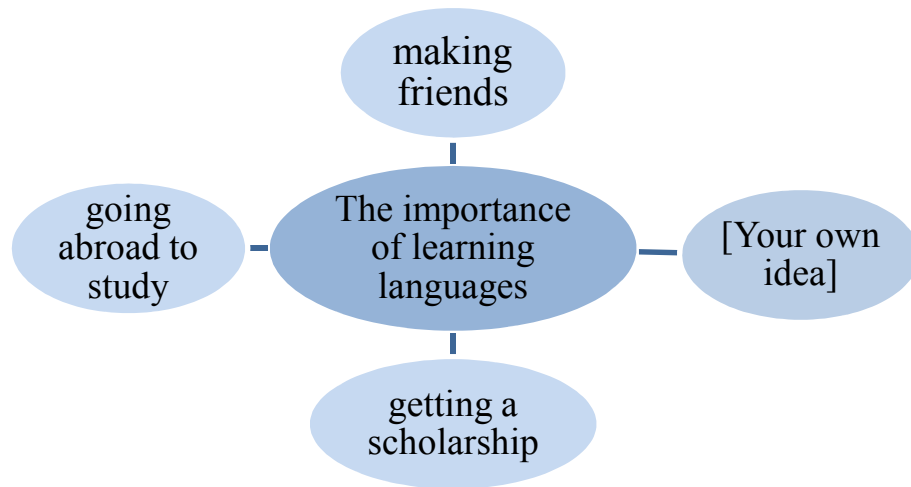
PART 2: Solution Discussion (4')

Situation: You are going to have a holiday for a week. Three places are suggested: a resort near the beach, a cottage in the countryside and a hotel in the mountainous area. Which do you think is the best for your holiday?

a resort near the beach	a cottage in the countryside	a hotel in the mountainous area
(+) I can be served with good service in a luxurious place. (+) I can relax when sunbathing on the beach and have a lot of fun going swimming, diving or surfing	(+) I can enjoy the peaceful atmosphere and experience traditional lifestyle. (+) it's cheaper.	(+) I can enjoy fresh air, the peaceful atmosphere and learn about traditional culture of people there. (+) I can have fun by taking part in some extreme sports.
(-) costing money	(-) life is boring and not ver convenient.	(-) it's not convenient to travel. (-) it's isolated.

PART 3: Topic Development (5')

Topic: The importance of learning languages



- *At what age should you start learning a language? Why?*
- *How important is it for you to speak a language?*
- *Do you ever use the internet or the TV for learning languages? How can you improve your abilities by doing this?*

Learning languages is important in many ways.

Firstly, it helps you make friends. If you are speaking the same language as other people do, you can share the common stories or interest with them, which enables you build the friendship easily.

Secondly, foreign language is **a must** among the conditions you need to go abroad to study. It's necessary for you to speak the language well so that you can **understand the lessons** and communicate with other people effectively. If you can't use it well, you will never have the chance to access an **advanced education**.

Thirdly, it's also an essential requirement for you to get a scholarship. People who deserve a scholarship must have some special characteristics, and mastering a language may be an advantage. It is a proof that you are smart and hard-working enough to get one.

Lastly, foreign language helps you broaden your mind. Nowadays, with good foreign language ability, you can access a great deal of information and knowledge in every aspects, which is being shared strongly throughout the world. This helps you become smarter.



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PART 1: Social Interaction (3')

- Let's talk about your schooling.

- In your opinion, what's an ideal teacher like?

→ In my opinion, an ideal teacher must be nice, have good skills, master the teaching method and enthusiastic.

- What do you like most about learning a foreign language?

→ It helps me communicate with my foreign clients.

- What are some of the best memories of your school years?

- Let's talk about your lifestyle

- How healthy is your diet?

→ I have to reduce starch, protein and enhance vitamins, vegetables and water

- How are your weekdays different from your weekends?

→ On my weekdays, I have to go to work. And at my weekends I can do many favorite things

- Could you tell me about an illness you have had?

→ I have had an illness. That was high fever, I had to go to hospital

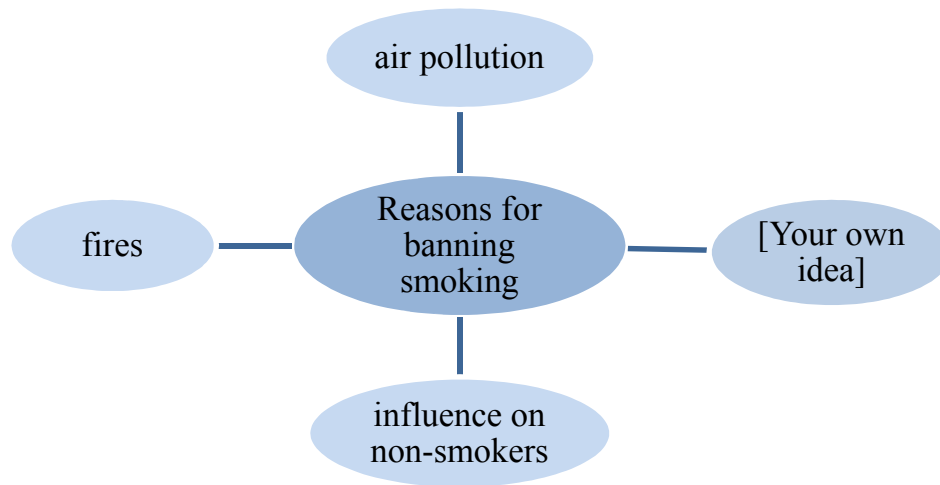
PART 2: Solution Discussion (4')

Situation: An eight-year-old boy loves animals very much. He can choose one of the following animals to keep as a pet: a dog, a cat or a hamster. Which do you think is the best pet for him?

a dog	a cat	a hamster
(+) is active – play outside with us (+) is loyal (+) can help protect the house	(+) is cute (+) is quiet (+) is independent	(+) new and unusual – not common- get admiration (+) cute (+) cause little troubles- stay in the cage
(-) cause trouble with their hair (-) lie in the wrong place (-) not independent- sad if we leave them at home alone	(-) not obey (-) cause trouble with their hair (-) lie in the wrong place	(-) take more effort to take care of it

PART 3: Topic Development (5')

Topic: Smoking should be banned in public places.



- *Is smoking common among young people?*
- *Why do people begin to smoke?*
- *Are there any health risks for non-smokers?*

There are several reasons to ban smoking.

The first and foremost reason to ban smoking is that it is very harmful to smoker's health. It contains thousands of toxics which will damage their lungs/ respiratory system steadily. Besides the respiratory system, it also causes other health problems such as diabete, high blood pressure.

Secondly, it causes negative effects on non-smokers. People around who don't use cigarette can't avoid breathing in the smoke. This is even more harmful since they take it in without any filters.

Another reason to ban is because it causes air pollution. When a cigarette is burned, not only the smoke smells bad but the toxics released contributes to air polution, too.

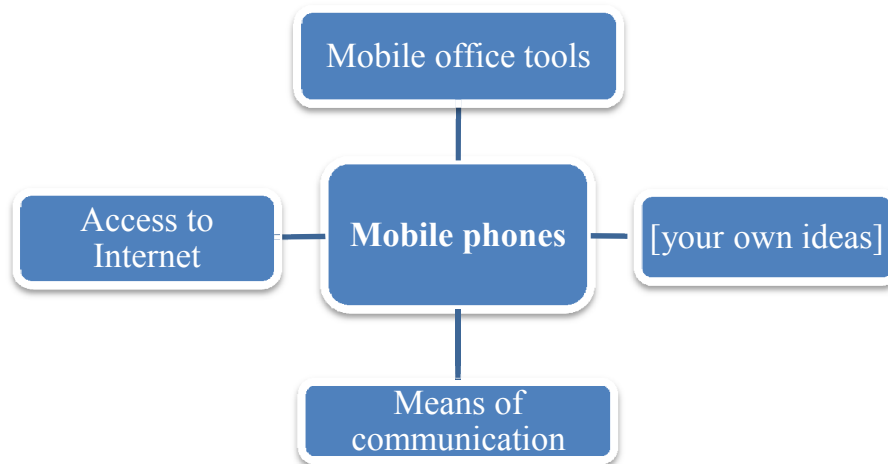
Also, the crop of tobacco causes the degration of land and makes it become less fertilized.

Lastly, it often leads to fire. A lot of places, especially forests have been destroyed because of the careless and irresponsible action of people when throwing their burning cigarette ends on the ground.

a bunch of flowers	an item of clothing	a book
(+) cheer her up- flowers make good atmosphere and make people happy (+) meaningful	(+) practical (+) kept in a long time	(+) good for his/her mind: knowledge or lessons, relaxed (+) kept for a long time
(-) can't be kept for a long time (-) allergies	(-) may not be of his/ her interest (-) in the right size	(-) boring

Part 3: Topic Development

Topic 7: *Mobile phones are useful tools at schools.*



- *Is it a good or a bad thing to have a mobile phone? Why?*
- *Do old and young people use mobile phones in the same way?*
- *What can be done to avoid children becoming inattentive in class?*

Mobile phones are useful tools at schools in many ways.

Firstly, they play the role of mobile office tools. We can use the apps on it to create text, presentations slides and record necessary things everywhere in school, without the need of a computer.

Secondly, it enables us access the internet easily and quickly. We can search for information and download materials as well as submit assignments easily and quickly, which is helpful for our studying.

Thirdly, they are great means of communication. Phone calls and text messages enables us to keep in touch with friends, teachers and parents. Social networks which can be accessed with a mobile phone are also great way to interact with people around.

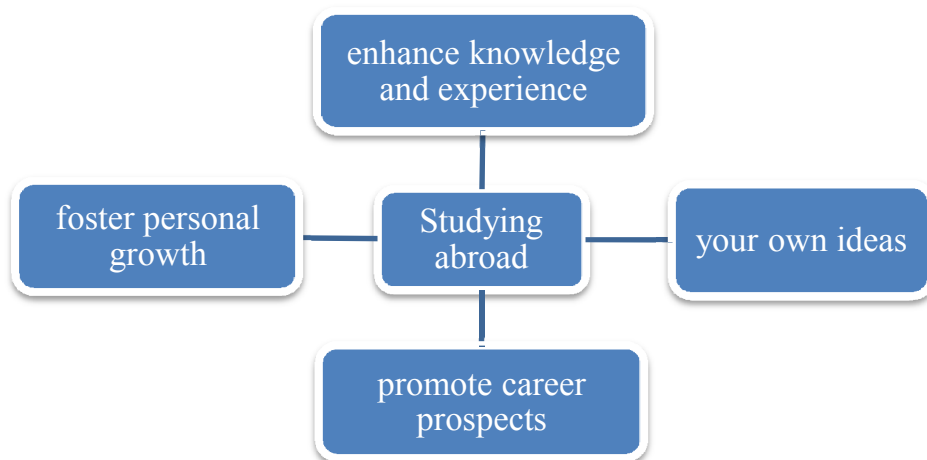
Lastly, it's a way to relax after the learning hours. We can use it to listen to music, taking pictures, surf the webs or play games in the break time and reduce stress.

In conclusion, _____

Situation 6: A friend is going to take a summer job where she can meet new people. Three jobs are suggested: a volunteer nurse, a tour guide and a sale employee at bakery. Which one would be the best choice?

a volunteer nurse	a tour guide	a sale employee at bakery
(+) meet and help a lot of people in need (+) meaningful / humanitarian	(+) meet people all around the world (+) practice language (+) promote her land, help better understanding between countries	(+) meet a lot of people (+) is easy
(-) require special qualities: not frightened by blood, quick, able to ease people, etc.	(-) travel between many places, regardless of weather – takes effort	(-) the conversation is often short so that she can't really be in a talk.

Topic 8: Studying abroad can bring students a number of benefits.



Follow-up questions

- How has education changed over the past 50 years in your country?
- Would you agree that exams are the best way to measure what a student has learnt?
- What are the advantages of school uniforms?

There are a number of benefits that studying abroad brings about.

Firstly, it enhances knowledge and experience. We have chance to broaden our mind greatly when we access a more advanced or specialized education abroad. Also, the studying and living environment in another country is different, which give us valuable experiences about the culture of that country.

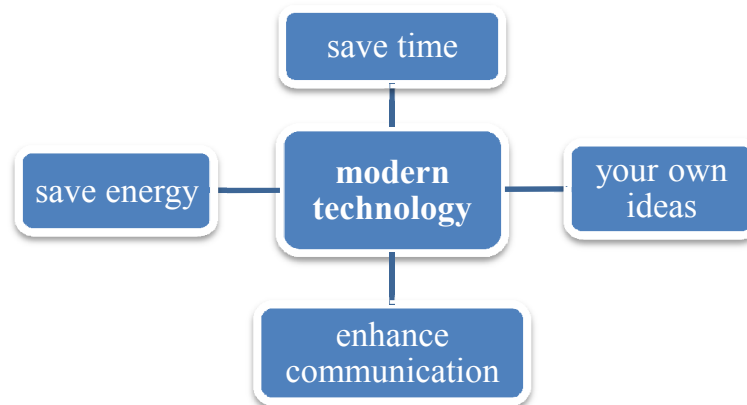
Secondly, it promotes career prospects. The training they get from a good education ensure they can do their work well. With a degree as a proof for their enquired knowledge and skills, they can have great job opprtunities with much better salary.

Thirdly, it fosters personal growth. Students learn to be independent, to overcome homesickness, perfect their second languages and so on. These helps them improve themselves and become more well-rounded.

Lastly, you develop a wider network of relationship with friends and lecturer from other countries. You may benefit from their support in many fields in the future.

In conclusion, ...

Topic 3: Modern technology has improved people's life.



Follow-up questions

- What do you think of e-commerce in Vietnam?
- In what ways is the Internet unsafe for young children?
- How has people's attitude changed towards technology?

Modern technology has changed people's life positively.

Firstly, it helps people save time with the works they do. People can send document, search for information, go shopping on the internet, and so on, very quickly.

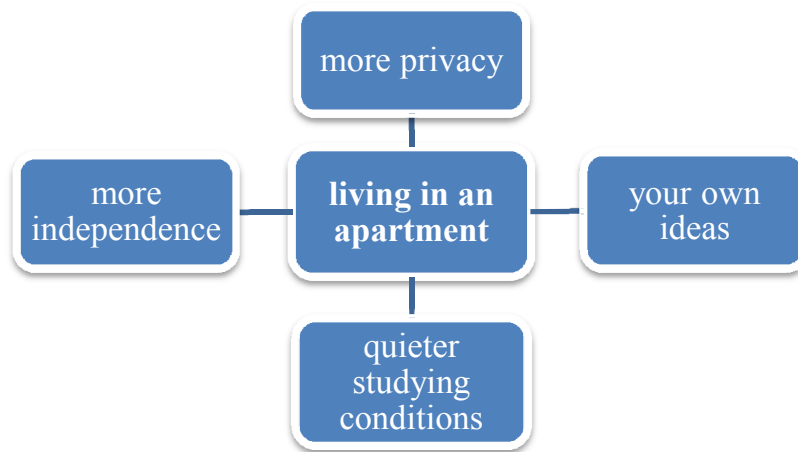
Secondly, it saves people's energy. For example, it can make people very tired if they wash clothes by hands, but it will be much easier for them to use the washing machine. It is similar to when people need to store documents. It will save them a lot of time and effort to do that with the help of a computer.

Thirdly, it enhances communication. If in the past, it would take people a lot of time to get reply for a letter, sometimes the letters got lost, and we only could see the faces of others through a photo, and we need the help of someone else to send the letter, nowadays, technology helps connect people much easily.

Lastly, technology provides more ways to entertain. Games with better graphic, movies with more interesting special effects, new forms of gallery. It allows us to enjoy the world better .

In conclusion, ...

Topic 4: *Living in an apartment instead of a university dormitory has some advantages.*



Follow-up questions

- What kinds of factors will people consider when they choose housing?
- What kind of accommodation do most people live in your city?
- How have people's living conditions changed recently?

Living in an apartment for student is better than living in a university dormitory in some ways.

Firstly, students have more privacy. Unlike the shared space in the dormitory, they can be free doing their own things without being afraid of being disturbed. Also, they don't worry that someone else will steal their own things.

Secondly, they are more independent. They can make their own decision on what to do with their place. In addition, if they live in an apartment, they will learn to deal with different problems on their own, which will be helpful for them.

Thirdly, they have quieter studying conditions. When there is no one or only their roommate around, they can really focus on working on their assignments and exams.

Lastly, they have more personal space. In the dormitory, there are often 4 to 8 students living in a room, which makes it quite overcrowded. More space in the apartment means their life is more comfortable.

In conclusion, ...