Facebook generation suffers from information withdrawal syndrome

1.- Are the following statements TRUE or FALSE? Copy the evidence from the text. No marks are given for only TRUE or FALSE. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)

a) The experiment described in the text was carried out by twelve universities in Great Britain.

TRUE “In an experiment, called “Unplugged”, volunteers at 12 universities around the world spent 24 hours without access to computers, mobile phones, iPods, television, radio and even newspapers”

b) For most of the participants, not being able to use Facebook was the hardest part of the experiment.

FALSE “However, it was abstinence from music that caused them the most difficulty”

2.- In your own words and based on the ideas in the text, answer the following questions. Do not copy from the text. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos) hay muchas respuestas correctas, lo importante es NO COPIAR DEL TEXTO, o no nos darán puntuación, aun así os proponemos posibles respuestas.

a) What did the volunteers in the experiment have to do?

They couldn’t use electronic devices such as mobiles, computers, TV, radio, they couldn’t read the news or listen to music during 24 hours.

b) What positive effects did the experiment have on participants? Mention two.

They visited their friends or went for a walk, they get used to silence and they appreciated sounds like birds singing.

3.- Find the words in the text that mean: (Puntuación máxima: 1 punto)

a) lonely (paragraph 1)-isolated

b) uneasy (paragraph 2)- restless

c) depend on (paragraph 3)-rely upon

d) when (paragraph 4)-as
4.- Complete the following sentences. Use the appropriate form of the word in brackets when given. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)

a) 1% of Norwegians are addicted to the internet. An additional 5% are at risk of developing internet addiction. The higher rate of addiction is in the 16-29 year old group.

b) Internet users in Greece have an internet addiction rate of 8.2%. Most internet addicts are males who play online games.

c) It wasn’t until the 1940s, with the development of electronic data machines, that manual calculation is becoming obsolete.

d) Technology addiction amongst teenagers is having a negative effect in learning. The report revealed that, last year, students spent 1-2 hours a day on social network sites.

5.- Write about 100 to 150 words on the following topic. (Puntuación máxima: 3 puntos)

Does technology help you save time or make you waste it? Explain your views.

In my opinion technology do both things, it helps us but it also is sometimes a waste of times:

On the one hand, technology helps us a lot, we save time with cooking robots, computers or mobile phones, all of them allow us to do two things at the same time, so we use our time in a better way.

On the other hand, we sit in front of the computer or we use our mobiles a lot of time, and to always we use them to useful things, we watch videos or surf in the internet, so we waste our time too.

In conclusion we have to do a responsible use of technology.
a) Mr. Adams’s expedition will begin at the point where Ernest Shackleton gave up.

b) Amelia doesn’t like chocolate.

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a) What is unusual about Amelia’s Antarctic expedition? Amelia is only 16, she has joined his father expedition.

b) Explain two of the challenges Amelia will have to face on the Antarctic. She had to climb, sky, sleep and live in a very difficult environment because it was too cold, she had to eat a lot too about 8000 calories.

3.- Find the words in the text that mean: (Puntuación máxima: 1 punto)

a) walk (paragraph 2) - trek

b) place (paragraph 3) - spot

c) worried (paragraph 3) - apprehensive

d) take in (paragraph 4) - consume

4.- Complete the following sentences. Use the appropriate form of the word in brackets when given. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)

a) The explorers _____(train)_____ the past few months.

b) The expedition, _____ starts 97 miles from the South Pole, _____ (lead) by David Adams.

c) If Alicia _____ (not go) to the North Pole, Amelia _____ (be) the first teenager on an expedition of this kind.

d) Rewrite the sentence beginning with the words given:

Amelia said “I am not sure if I’ll be able to sleep.”

Amelia said (that) ____ she wasn´t sure if she would be able to sleep __________

5.- Write about 100 to 150 words on the following topic. What kind of expedition would you like to go on? Describe it and explain your choice.

(Puntuación máxima: 3 puntos)
I don’t like taking risks for this reason I wouldn’t go to a dangerous expedition, I would like to go to an archeology expedition that could be interesting and mysterious.

First of all, archeology is great, it’s very interesting and it would be very special to find a mummy or a tomb. Secondly, it’s not a very dangerous expedition to join, I don’t like being in danger or extreme sports. Finally I would love to go to an expedition in Egypt because it is a country that I like a lot.

To sum up, I don’t like expeditions but I like archeology.