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## Module 1

### Technology and Leisure

We live in an age in which we are **constantly** urged to buy new products. As soon as factories think of a way to make some task easier, everyone feels obligated to buy their latest invention. Or, if designers can improve an existing device by making it faster, smaller, or more efficient, suddenly last year's model becomes old-fashioned. I often wonder if all these things help us to make better use of our **leisure** time. For example, Jason, my dad, just bought a new laptop. His previous laptop was only two years old, but it lacked sufficient memory. Even though he has desktop computers at work and at home, he says he needs a laptop so that he can be more effective in meetings. This seems somewhat excessive to me because, as a result, he doesn't have any time to relax. Technology hasn't made his job easier or given him more free time.

I'm not against technology, but I am opposed to its **overuse**. People who spend most of their leisure time surfing the Internet or glued to the TV are in danger of becoming **addicted to** technology. We should learn to use technology wisely to enrich our lives, and we should resist the urge to overuse it. The book *Waiting for the Weekend* states that some people use too much of their leisure time working to pay for **expensive** "toys" that would make their leisure time more enjoyable. Some of my friends fall into this category, but I don't want to be like them, and I don't want to be the kind of person who thinks that leisure time is just a time in which we do nothing. To enjoy a full life, we should not allow technology to become an obsession.

**I- Give the meaning or the opposite of the words in bold in the text.(5pts)**

1- constantly: \_\_\_\_\_

2- leisure : \_\_\_\_\_

3- overuse: \_\_\_\_\_

4- addicted to: \_\_\_\_\_

5- expensive: \_\_\_\_\_

**II. Answer the following questions using a complete sentence. (7pts)**

1. Why doesn't Jason have any time to relax? (2pts)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. What happens to people who spend most of their time surfing the internet or watching TV? (2pts)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. In 4 lines write about what would you like to do in your free time? Are you with or against the use of technology? (3pts)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**III. Choose the best answer. (3pts)**

1. Jason needs a laptop because
  - a) he wants to be up to date in technology.
  - b) he wants to be more useful in meetings.
  - c) his old laptop stopped working.
  
2. The expression “glued to the TV” means
  - a) when someone gives the TV his full attention.
  - b) when someone is fixed to the TV.
  - c) when someone gets blinded for watching too much television.
  
3. Some people spend too much of their leisure time working
  - a) to pay for toys.
  - b) to pay for expensive toys.
  - c) because they have nothing else to do.

**IV. Fill in the blanks with the words in the box. Add or remove a negative prefix if necessary.**

**(5pts)**

patient	talkative	dishonest	pessimistic	tidy
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1. Kevin is very \_\_\_\_\_. He always thinks bad things will happen.
2. After waiting over half an hour for her mom to pick her up, Sarah began to get \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Joyce is extremely \_\_\_\_\_. The teacher always asks her to be quiet when she enters the class.
4. Your room is \_\_\_\_\_ because your clothes are all over the place.
5. Jenny is very \_\_\_\_\_. She never told a lie.

**V. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the present simple or the present continuous. (5pts)**

Mary and Joe \_\_\_\_\_ (to be) in a clothes shop at the moment.  
They \_\_\_\_\_ (to look) at some jeans. Joe only  
\_\_\_\_\_ (to have) one old pair of jeans, so he \_\_\_\_\_  
(to want) to buy a new pair now. Right now, he \_\_\_\_\_ (to try  
on) a pair of blue jeans. These jeans \_\_\_\_\_ (to fit) him very  
well, he says. But they \_\_\_\_\_ (not, to suit) you, Mary  
\_\_\_\_\_ (to reply). Try on another pair.  
Ok Mary, what \_\_\_\_\_ (you, to think) about this one?  
I think it is great, but how much \_\_\_\_\_ (it, to cost)?

**VI. Complete the sentences with the infinitive or the -ing form of the verbs in brackets.(5pts)**

1. He promised \_\_\_\_\_ (write) me a letter.
2. Her boss knew that she was pretending \_\_\_\_\_ (be) ill.
3. I don't feel like \_\_\_\_\_ (cook).
4. He managed \_\_\_\_\_ (finish) the report before he went home.
5. Do you fancy \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the cinema tonight?