

WEEK 8 ASSIGNMENT

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

The reading selection above is an example of an explanation essay. Sharpen your understanding of the text by answering the following questions.

1. How does the author introduce the topic of his essay?

Answer: The author introduces the topic of his essay by quoting words about the significance of proficiency of the English language from his mentor, the National Artist for Literature and theater Rolando S. Tinio.

2. In paragraph 4, the author asks the question Why? This signals that he is explaining something. What exactly is the phenomenon he is explaining?

Answer: The author is explaining why many Filipinos are being hired to teach English in other ASEA countries like Indonesia, Thailand, and China.

3. What are the explanations he provides for the phenomenon you identified in no. 2 above? Give three answers.

Answer:

- 1) Filipino teachers will accept a pay scale lower than their Western counterparts
- 2) They are conversant with American pop culture, a happy (or unhappy) result of decades of American colonialism and Neo-colonialism.
- 3) They are still Southeast Asians beneath their skin, and are thus familiar with Asian cultural practices, whether said or unsaid.

4. In paragraph 7, the author writes, "Let me explain" What exactly is the phenomenon he is explaining?

He is further explaining why, for him, are the students in English are also the best students in Filipino after giving three main reasons.

5. What are the explanations he provides for the phenomenon you identified in no. 4 above? Give three answers.

Answer:

- 1) His best students in English and Filipino were tutored by the crème de la crème, many of them teaching in private schools.

2) He introduced them to the words of the language they are studying be it in the formal realm of the textbook or the popular ones of film, graphic novel, YouTube or anime.

3) Today's generation of student is no longer burdened by the guilt of Learning-English and mastering it.

6. How does the author end his essay?

Answer: The author ended his essay by summarizing it with a quotation from his friend and fellow professor which says that "The Philippines is a multi-lingual paradise." He then explained it simply in his own words, "The earlier we know we live in a paradise of many languages, the better we can savor it's fruits ripened by the sun."

Task 4.1.1

Understanding the Essay

Based on your reading of the essay by Remoto, answer the following questions:

1. The author asserts that the Philippine is a "multi-lingual paradise." He believes that having many languages is an advantage for the Philippines and to Filipinos. Do you agree with the author? Discuss your agreement or disagreement with a partner.

Answer: Yes. having many languages is an advantage for the Philippines and to Filipinos. It shows the genius of Filipinos, and it is something to be proud of. If you know many languages, you are likely to have access to a wider choice of jobs. If a company in Iloilo were comparing two similar candidates for a job, the person who spoke more languages (for example, Hiligaynon, English, Tagalog) would probably get picked over someone who only knew one or two languages, because he would be able to interact with a wider range of clients in their preferred language.

2. Was the author able to fully explain the phenomenon he chose to explain? Make sure to provide support for your answer with specific strategies used by the author in making his explanation.

Answer: The author was able to fully explain the phenomenon he chose to explain because what he really desire is for us to know that to learn a new language is to see the world from another angle of vision. In short, one no longer has to live between two languages, but to live in a mansion of many languages.

TASK 4.1.2

Writing an Explanation Essay

I. Pre-Writing

Before you write your explanation essay, fill in the table below.

What is the phenomenon you are explaining?	GADGETS ADDICTION RUINING LIVES
What explanations are you providing for the phenomenon above? Give at least three.	1. Technology has made our lives easier than before. 2. Gadget addiction has become a common issue on today's generation 3. learn to limit yourselves with regards to gadget usage
How do you plan to introduce your topic?	By questioning of "what happens when our use of gadgets is more than our required time?"
How do you plan to end the explanation essay?	Encouraging the young ones that While gadgets have eased up our lives by a great deal, we must not forget to take care of our own bodies. We must not let gadgets destroy our lives.
Did you do research for your explanation essay? If you did research what specific	Yes How Gadgets influence our life? What are the advantages of using gadgets?

ideas in your essay are generated through research?	What is the impact of using gadgets?
<p>If you did research, what are your sources?</p> <p>List all your sources. Use the citation format recommended by the American Psychological Association (APA) You may find this format in http://www.apa.org/pubs/software/index.aspx</p>	<p>https://studymoose.com/gadget-addiction-essay</p> <p>https://www.aplustopper.com/essay-on-addiction-to-gadgets/</p>

II. Writing

Write an explanation essay on any topic of your choice. You may need to do some research

about the topic in order to better explain it. The essay must be at least 500 words long and

is organized as follows:

- Introduction - one or two paragraphs
- Body - at least three paragraphs
- Conclusion - one or two paragraphs

MY PERSUASIVE SPEECH

Gadget Addiction Ruining Lives

I believe this topic is very crucial among us. Technology has made our lives easier than before. With regards to benefits and advantages of gadget, it makes our lives easier. Gadgets have been used in almost everything; communication, alerts, remote controls, security purposes, machineries and the-likes. Especially now that we are in a pandemic situation, our necessities and wants are just a click away with our gadgets. But what happens when our use of gadgets is more than our required time? It means, we are addicted to this technology. It has attracted every age group. Some toddlers are even more well-versed in using such devices.

There are many types of gadgets that are available in Malls and even Online gadgets Stores. Some examples are smartphones, tablets, PSP, netbooks and iPods. These are costly but most of them are very much affordable to all types of social classes. These types of items produced by technology made our lives much fun and convenient every day, I rarely see people who are not holding gadgets.

Come to think of this. During the old days, hand-written letters are a must if you want to let someone know how you've been doing in life. But now, it is on the verge of extinction and is considered as a sweet thing to do even if it is only done on a sticky notepad. Also, waiting on long lines just to have a long-distance call seems very tiring but older generation got used to it. With today's technology, you can easily call someone anytime of the day and from almost everywhere across the globe. As long as you pay for your mobile data and get connected on the internet, all things under the sun and outside the earth are just one click away. Books may only contain black and white letters and can only make you imagine about its content but through the virtual images seen on the gadget screens, I am simply amazed how it can make me see the whole world in a split of a second. We are very lucky to experience such hassle-free stuffs.

However, gadget addiction has become a common issue on today's generation. This issue is not only affecting the young ones; even adults are developing a severe obsession with their devices. Whether is a game or updates by our friends and family, it became a norm to almost everybody. It has been a habit to look for something on the internet for almost every minute of the day. It is undeniable that these modern, technological wonders have made our life very well for good, yet its overdose can be very harmful to our health; both mentally and physically. Other contents of our gadgets can even affect us emotionally.

The people of today's generation have made gadgets as an important material in their lives. Some would suffer and feel disturbed if they cannot check their devices. Other cases on teenagers have lost concentration on their studies because of playing video games. Even kids lost interest on outdoor activities because they are used to spend more time alone in front of the TV or computer.

Can this addiction be resolved? The answer is yes, and the only effective method is to limit the time of using them. Parents must also keep an eye on their children and set restrictions on time and usage of gadgets. Adults must also learn how to limit themselves on this matter. After going home from work, instead of spending hours facing the device, they must set priorities like doing home chores first, making time with family members or have most of the time to rest from a hard day's work.

In conclusion, we must learn to limit ourselves with regards to gadget usage. While gadgets have eased up our lives by a great deal, we must not forget to take care of our own bodies. We must not let gadgets destroy our lives. It may sound difficult but it takes courage and optimism to surpass this kind of problem. Truly, technology eased up our living but it must not affect us negatively.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

Check your understanding of the input by answering the following questions:

1. Why is it important to analyze the audience and know about the logistics involved when making an oral presentation?

Answer: To make sure that as a speaker, you are connected with your audience and to maintain an attentive stance example Don't stand in a fixed position. Instead, move around, make an eye contact, and relax so you can connect with the audience. To know the logistics is very important every speaker to know who is organizing the event. Know who will be introducing you and who will be speaking before and after you. That way, you will be able to tie up the earlier presentation with your own resulting in a more coherent presentation. You may even give the audience an idea as to what the next talk is going to be.

2. How important are the prosodic features when delivering a talk, speech, or report?

Answer: Prosodic features are very important when delivering a talk, speech, or report so that you will know the loudness of the speech example are the intonations how to deliver the pitch, tempo and the rhythm.

3. How do you solve the conflict arising from a group presentation among members who are not team players?

Answer: In order to solve the conflict arising from a group presentation among members who are not team players by being a good listener, encouraging everyone, do what they can do and not limiting the capabilities of every member and be fair enough to all members. Example when presenting a report, if there is mistake, it's because of how the team work together, focus on the problem, not the individual no one should blame or be blame.

Knowledge about the Audience

Assume that you are going to speak before an audience composed of professionals on a

perennial and relevant topic, for instance "Smoking." Find out as much about your audience

by answering the following questions:

1. Who is likely to attend your talk?

Answer: Smokers and non-smoker ones

2. What is their background (education, profession, age range, gender, etc.)?

Answer: We all know that cigarette is very rampant nowadays no matter if you are an engineer, teacher even students, men and women as long as they were engaged and addicted to smoking.

3. Why do you think they will come?

Answer: Wanting to quit and change their life from bad to good healthy lifestyle and also to those who wants to know the bad effects of smoking in order to lengthen their Life.

4. How will you convince them to stop their smoking habit?

Answer: I will Be a reminder to them that smoking is an unhealthy habit not only for the person who smokes but also for the people around them and help them make the decision to quit that they may preserve their body to avoid not to get old.

Task 4.4.2

The Oral Presentation

Choose a topic that interests you. Write the introduction using any of the following techniques as an opening or a beginning of your speech:

1. startling statement

2. question

3. statistics

Then, write your speech

WHY DO WE NEED TO CLEAN OUR SURROUNDINGS?

A clean environment is essential quality required to live a peaceful and healthy Lifestyle. But our environment is getting dirty day by day because of some carelessness of human beings. It is an issue which everyone must know about. We all should be highly maintain cleanliness in our daily lives. It is very simple to include Cleanliness in our habit. Never compromise with cleanliness, it is necessary as food and water for us. It should be practice from childhood which can only be initiated by each parent as a first and foremost responsibility. Cleaning not only to keep it looking best, but also to remove all of germs and bacteria that accumulate regularly.

A famous proverb saying, "Cleanliness is next to Godliness." We must keep our environment clean. We should keep dirtiness away as it has terrible effects on our health.

Finally, write the conclusion using any of the following techniques:

1. quotation
2. anecdote, story, illustration
3. a challenging statement