

First Term Exam of English

Part One: READING

(15 pts)

A) Comprehension

Read the passage carefully then do the activities.

facebook

The Social Networking System, Facebook, launched in 2004 by the founder Mark Zuckerberg, is one of the most important breakthroughs in the 21st century. Facebook is now an integrated part of every college student's life. (§1)

Facebook is used by more than 800 million people around the world. Yet, few people do know of the profound effect that Facebook has on their physical, emotional and mental health. A collection of studies that include surveys, interviews, and questionnaires will reveal the effect of Facebook on students' well-being. Studies indicate that Facebook can impact physical health by increasing the chance of Upper Respiratory Infection (URI), mental health by leading to web addiction, feelings of loneliness, narcissism, stress, and body dissatisfaction. It alters the traditional familial systems that have existed since the beginning of human life. (§2)

It is important to be aware of some of the downsides of Facebook in order to avoid being a victim of its unhealthy uses. Many people are unaware of the great impact of Facebook on their life when self- awareness is needed. Acknowledging and becoming fully aware of the nature of your problem is a pre- requisite to solving it. It is important so as not to lose confidence, family connections, and to maintain a healthy body and mind. (§3)

Adapted from <http://article.sapub.org>

1. Choose the best answer: (1pt)

The text is: a) a newspaper article b) a website article c) a story.

2. Say whether the following statements are true or false according to the text: (2pts)

- a) Facebook is created by the founder Mark Zuckerberg.
- b) Facebook is used by very few people around the world.
- c) Studies indicate that Facebook has positive impact on the physical health.
- d) A lot of people are aware of the great impact of Facebook on their life.

3. Answer the following questions from the text. (3pts)

a) When exactly was Facebook launched and by who?
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b) What are the impacts of Facebook on students' wellbeing?
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c) Is it important to be aware of the dangers of the Facebook? Why?
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4. In which paragraph is it mentioned that the best way to beat Facebook addiction is awareness? (1pt)

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5. What or who do the underlined words in the text refer to? (1pt)

- a) Their (2§)
- b) its (3§)

B) Text Exploration :

1. Find in the text:

1.1 words or phrases closest in meaning to the following: (1pt)

- a) Started (§1) =
- b) consequence (§2) =.....

