CÔTE D'IVOIRE – ÉCOLE NUMÉRIQUE



UNIT 6-TECHNOLOGY AND OUR LIVES

Lesson skill: Writing

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LEARNING CONTEXT

The students of 1ère C are preparing an article about technology in our lives. In order to have more information, they jot down ideas about the topic.

Language function	Grammar point / structure	Vocabulary
Using Simple comparatives and double comparatives	-There are **fewer** people without cellphones these days. **-Fewer** and **fewer** people can write neatly in cursive script.	issue, networking, online, to apply, to advertise, to further, technology,to keep in touch with, the latest, outdated, compact, antibiotics…

Brainstorming

			
Picture 1	**Picture 2**	**Picture 3**	**Picture 3**

1- What can you see in picture 1? 2? 3? 4 ?

Generating ideas

2- What do these four pictures refer to ?
3- Is technology benefitful for humans ? How ?

Organising ideas

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Write down examples of advantages of technology in our lives in the following domains.

Education	medicine	business / trade	transport	communication	agriculture

Language function : Using simple comparatives and double comparatives

1- **Simple comparatives :**

- We use **fewer** with countable nouns

  Example : There are **fewer** people without cellphones these days.

- We use **less** with uncountable nouns

  Example : We need to remember **less** information because we can access information at the touch of a button.

- We can use **much** before comparative adverbs.

  Example : **It** is **much easier** to send a message than to speak to a peson.

2- **Double comparatives**

- We use double comparatives to say that things are changing

  Examples:-

  - **Fewer** and **fewer** people can write neatly in cursive script.
  - **More** and **more** people have their own computers or tablets.
  - Children have **less** and **less** time to play.

COMMUNICATION ACTIVITY

For your school English club magazine, you have to write an article on the following topic : « ***How is technology important in our lives ?*** ». Write down this article, considering what follows :

- What technology is ;

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- Some domains in which the advantages of technology can be seen ;
- The difference between life before and after technology in these domains.

(Mind the layout of an article -20 lines maximum)

EXERCISES / IDEAS

I- Some examples of technology

- a) In the home: refrigerator, television, washing machine, mobile phones...
- b) In the industry: robots, cars, planes, motorbikes...
- c) In business: telephones, fax, personal computers...
- d) In medicine: scanner, wheel-chairs...

II- For your school English club magazine, you have to write an article on the following topic : **« What are the drawbacks of *technology in our lives ?* ».** Write down this article.

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