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TASK 3: MEMORANDUM**

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TIME: 2 Hours
MARKS: 60

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. This question paper has FOUR sections.

QUESTION 1:	Comprehension	(20)
QUESTION 2:	Visual Text	(10)
QUESTION 3:	Summary	(10)
QUESTION 4:	Language	(20)

THIS MEMORANDUM CONSISTS OF 10 PAGES.

QUESTION 1 COMPREHENSION

Read **TEXT A** below carefully and answer the questions that follow.

TEXT A

- 1 Just a few years ago, the idea of talking to a computer that answers like a real person seemed like science fiction. Today, it's completely normal. Learners around the world are using *chatbots* like ChatGPT to ask questions, get help with homework, or even have full conversations. A chatbot is a computer program that can understand and respond to text messages. You type something in, and it replies — often in just a few seconds.
- 2 For many learners, chatbots feel like personal tutors. They can explain difficult schoolwork, give examples, and help with grammar or writing. If you don't understand a maths problem, the chatbot can show you how to solve it. If you need to write a paragraph about climate change, it can give you some ideas. Learners mostly use chatbots to practise English conversations and to learn new structures in a fun way.
- 3 Teachers, however, are not always happy about this new trend. Some say learners rely too much on technology and no longer try to think for themselves. Others worry that chatbots make it easy for learners to cheat by copying answers instead of doing their own work. One teacher said, "Chatbots can help, but only if learners use them wisely. Otherwise, they stop learning how to think."
- 4 Outside the classroom, chatbots are also changing the way people live and work. Businesses use them to answer questions from customers at any time of the day. Airlines use them to help people book flights, and hospitals use them to share information with patients. In some countries, even police departments use chatbots to report lost items or minor crimes. Many people find this very convenient because it saves time and reduces waiting in long queues.
- 5 But not everyone is excited about this technology. Some people fear that computers will take over jobs that humans used to do. Others worry that people might become lazy or lose their creativity because everything feels too easy. Still, there are also positive voices — people who believe that chatbots can make learning, communication, and problem-solving faster and more exciting.
- 6 Experts say that the key is balance. Technology can be an amazing tool when it helps people, but it should never replace human kindness, creativity, and critical thinking. After all, no matter how smart a computer becomes, it doesn't have feelings — and it can't replace the human mind or heart.



	Refer to paragraph 1.	
1.1	State what a chatbot is.	(2)
I	A computer program ✓ that responds to messages. ✓	
	Refer to paragraph 2.	
1.2	List three ways learners can use chatbots for learning.	(3)
	Personal tutors ✓	
	Solve Mathematic problems ✓	
II	Give ideas ✓	
	OR	
	Explain difficult work	
	Help with grammar and writing	
	Give examples	
	Practise English conversation	
1.3	According to the passage, what do learners mostly use chatbots for?	(1)
II	English ✓ (They practise English conversations and structures)	
	Refer to paragraph 3.	
1.4	Explain the main problem teachers have with chatbots.	(2)
III	Learners copying ✓ work instead of thinking ✓ for themselves.	
	Refer to paragraph 4.	
1.5	Mention one benefit chatbots have outside of schools.	(1)
I	Businesses use them to answer questions from customers at any time of the day. ✓	
	OR	
	Airlines use them to help people book flights.	
	Hospitals use them to share information with patients.	
	Police departments use chatbots to report lost items or minor crimes.	
	Refer to paragraph 5.	
1.6	Explain why some people are afraid of chatbots becoming too powerful.	(2)
	Some people fear that computers will take over jobs ✓ that humans used to do. Others worry that people might become lazy or lose their creativity ✓ because everything feels too easy.	

III	(Make sure that the learners explained the quote above in simple English.) ⇒ (They may do that by replacing some words with simpler ones)	
1.7 III	Find a word in the passage that means “ to be scared or worried about something. ” fear ✓	(1)
1.8 I	Quote 8 consecutive words to justify that there are some positive voices around the use of chatbots. “chatbots can make learning, communication and problem-solving faster” ✓	(1)
	Refer to paragraph 6.	
1.9 III	What do experts mean when they say that chatbots should not replace “human kindness and creativity”? Chatbots cannot replace humans because they don’t have feelings ✓ or the ability to think critically/take responsibility for their actions. ✓	(2)
1.10 IV	The word “balance”, in the last paragraph, means ... It means to have proper control/proportion/harmony between different aspects in life. ✓	(1)

Answer the following questions:

1.11 V	What do you think learners used to do in the past when they needed help? Mention TWO things. They Googled it. ✓ Asked a teacher. ✓ OR Asked their parents. Used an Encyclopaedia / book.	(2)
1.12 IV	Do you think chatbots are a good thing for learners? Motivate your answer. Yes, ✓ LEARNER’S OWN ANSWER ✓ OR No, ✓ LEARNER’S OWN ANSWER ✓ The learner’s RESPONSE must be relevant to the question.	(2)

TOTAL QUESTION 1: 20 MARKS

QUESTION 2
ADVERTISEMENT

Study the advertisement (**TEXT B**) below carefully and then answer the questions that follow.

TEXT B

SLEEP SMART!
Wake up ready for success!

DREAMZONE Sleep Tracker App

- ✓ Tracks how many hours you sleep
- ✓ Reminds you when it's bedtime
- ✓ Gives tips for better rest
- ✓ Helps you feel more focused and full of energy

👉 **Download DREAMZONE today — Because better sleep = better YOU!**

Available on Google Play & App Store

2.1 II	What product is being advertised here? A Sleep Tracker App. ✓	(1)
2.2 III	Who is the target audience of this advertisement? Teenagers/people who need to track/check on how much and when they sleep. ✓	(1)
2.3	Name the advertiser.	(1)

I	Dreamzone ✓	
2.4 II	Quote the slogan from the advertisement. “Sleep smart! Wake up ready for success!” ✓	(1)
2.5 II	What is the purpose of this App? Track how many hours you sleep. ✓ OR Reminds you when it is bedtime. Gives tips for better rest. Helps you to feel more focused and full of energy.	(1)
2.6 III	Where can someone get this App? Google Play ✓ App Store ✓ NOT Download – the questions is where NOT HOW...	(2)
2.7 IV	Do you think this advert is effective? Give TWO reasons for your answer. Yes, ✓ LEARNER’S OWN ANSWER ✓✓ OR No, ✓ LEARNER’S OWN ANSWER ✓✓ The learner’s RESPONSE must be relevant to the question.	(3)

TOTAL QUESTION 2 :10 MARKS

**QUESTION 3
SUMMARY**

Why Teenagers Need Enough Sleep

QUOTE	OWN WORDS
①When you sleep, your brain stores all the new information for that day, which helps you remember what you learned at school.	When you sleep, your brain stores new information and helps you to remember.
②Without enough sleep concentration becomes weaker. You will not be able to concentrate on the work your teachers are trying to explain to you throughout the day. You must remember that you have many different teachers and all that takes a lot of concentration.	A lack of sleep causes poor concentration.
③Sleep also allows your body to grow and repair itself. During deep sleep, growth hormones are released, which help muscles, bones, and tissues stay strong. That is why teenagers who sleep well are often stronger than others.	Your body grows and mends itself when sleeping.
④Teenagers who sleep well will stay calm and will be in a better mood the next day. Teenagers tend to be moody and getting enough sleep will prevent that.	Sleep improves your mood.
⑤Getting enough sleep improves emotional health. It helps you manage stress and make better emotional decisions. Teenagers who are well rested are more positive and happier people.	Enough sleep betters emotional health.
⑥Sleep is also important for your physical health. It strengthens your immune system so your body can fight off sickness. Experts say that teenagers need eight to ten hours of sleep each night to stay healthy, focused, and full of energy.	Sleep strengthens your immunity and overall physical health.
⑦Want to be a confident teenager especially now that you are only starting High School? Don't look for the answers on your phone rather make sure that you sleep enough.	Sleep improves confidence.

Category	Criteria	Marks
Content	Learner identifies 7 correct main ideas from the passage. No opinions or unnecessary detail.	/7
Language & Style	Own Words – Learner uses own wording, minimal copying.	/3

Marking the summary:

Marking is on the basis of the inclusion of valid material and the exclusion of invalid material.

The summary should be marked as follows:

Mark allocation:

- 7 marks for 7 points (1 mark per main point)
 - 3 marks for language
 - Total marks: 10
- **Distribution of language marks when candidate has not quoted verbatim:**
 - 1–3 points correct: award 1 mark
 - 4–5 points correct: award 2 marks
 - 6–7 points correct: award 3 marks
 - **Distribution of language marks when candidate has quoted verbatim:**
 - 6–7 quotations: award no language mark
 - 4–5 quotations: award 1 language mark
 - 2–3 quotations: award 2 language marks

NOTE:

- **Word Count:**
 - Markers are required to verify the number of words used. Do not deduct any marks if the candidate fails to indicate the number of words used or if the number of words used is indicated incorrectly.
 - If the word limit is exceeded, read up to the last sentence above the stipulated upper limit and ignore the rest of the summary.

TOTAL QUESTION 3: 10 MARKS

QUESTION 4
LANGUAGE IN CONTEXT

Read the passage (**TEXT D**) and answer the questions that follow.

TEXT D

Just do it!

Stay action-packed. The end of the holiday shouldn't mean the end of outdoor activities. Take walks with your friends or family and enjoy the early afternoon sun. 1

Log off. Hours spent on your phone, at the computer or PlayStation may lead to eyestrain and an aching neck and back. Connect with your schoolwork and only use those technical wonders during leisure time and not the other way round. 5

Schedule sleep. Avoid lost ZZZ's by going to bed and getting up earlier during the week.

Smart Back-to-School Solutions. Do not 'roll' light. Backpacks should not weigh more than 10% to 15% of your weight but you cannot get rid of a heavy bag by not packing your books for the day. Rather look for bags with pads on the shoulder straps and back and put the heaviest items closest to the body. You could also get a bag with a waist strap for extra support or a bag on wheels, but you need to pack all your books for the day. Hard-working kids open their books. 10

Mind the menu. Eat well and, for school lunches, focus on fruits, veggies, dairy and whole grains. 15

Look after your hygiene and mind to be the best YOU. You can be victorious.

*Successful people make things happen while
 unsuccessful people wait for things to happen
 so always be on time!*

4.1	Find the antonym for the word 'start' in line 1. end ✓	(1)
4.2	Give the synonym for the word 'victorious' in the last paragraph. Successful ✓	(1)
4.3	4.3.1 Identify the punctuation mark in the word 'shouldn't' in line 1. Apostrophe ✓	(1)

	4.3.2 Give a reason for its use here. It forms a contraction/indicates omission. ✓	(1)
	4.3.3 Write the word out in full. should not ✓	(1)
4.4	Correct the verb in brackets. 4.4.1 My mom always (tells ✓) me to eat fruit and veggies. 4.4.2 My friends (watched ✓) a lot of television last weekend. 4.4.3 My dog and I (take ✓) long walks every Sunday.	(1) (1) (1)
4.5	Identify the subject, verb and object in the following simple sentence from paragraph 4: Hard working kids open their books. 4.5.1 Subject – Hard working kids ✓ 4.5.2 Verb – open ✓ 4.5.3 Object – their books. ✓	(1) (1) (1)
4.6	Identify the parts of speech in this sentence from paragraph 2: Connect with your schoolwork and only use those technical wonders during leisure time and not the other way round. 4.6.1 schoolwork – common noun ✓ 4.6.2 technical – adjective ✓ 4.6.3 use – verb ✓ 4.6.4 only – adverb ✓	(1) (1) (1) (1)
4.7	Write the following adjectives in the comparative and superlative form. precise more precise ✓ most precise ✓ hard harder ✓ hardest ✓	(4)
4.8	Complete the sentence by filling in the correct possessive pronoun. I have a new phone. It is mine ✓ .	(1)

TOTAL QUESTION 4: 20 MARKS

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