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Ejercicio 1. (Calificación máxima: 2 puntos)

Are the following statements TRUE or FALSE? Copy evidence from the text. No marks are given for only TRUE or FALSE.

- a) Ms West had to invest a lot of money in her studies at university.
- b) The computer scientist suffered from inattention and had difficulties with social interaction.

Solución:

- a) False. "Her excellent performance at high school granted her a scholarship for university." (P. 1, L. 3 – 4).
- b) True. "Larissa has autism and hyperactivity disorder." (P. 3, L. 18 – 19).

Ejercicio 2. (Calificación máxima: 2 puntos)

In your own words and based on the ideas in the text, answer the following questions. Do not copy from the text.

- a) What social causes is Ms. Croak fighting for?
- b) What do these three women have in common?

Solución:

- a) Ms. Croak supports two social causes, specifically racial justice and further opportunities for women to follow a career in engineering.
- b) All three of these women have faced adversity in their personal lives. Likewise, they have all succeeded professionally and changed the world around them.

Ejercicio 3. (Calificación máxima: 1 puntos)

Find the words in the text that mean:

Solución:

- a) precise (paragraph 1) – accurate
- b) foundation (paragraph 1) – basis



- c) kit (paragraph 2) – set
- d) motionless (paragraph 3) – static

Ejercicio 4. (Calificación máxima: 2 puntos)

Complete the following sentences. Use the appropriate form of the word in brackets when given.

Solución:

- a) I am looking forward to visiting (visit) the new facilities which / that were built at the airport last winter.
- b) Some older people are not aware of how technologies have changed / have been changing (change) the world lately.
- c) After working (work) for a decade in New York, Mary was offered (offer) a chance to work for NASA last year.
- d) We would be (be) more in touch with nature if we weren't surrounded by technological (technology) devices.

Ejercicio 5. (Calificación máxima: 3 puntos)

Write about 150 to 200 words on the following topic.

Do you think that we depend too much on technology? Justify your answer.

Solución:

Technology is an increasingly important part of our lives. It has enabled our evolution as a species, making many unimaginable feats possible. However, I would argue we have come to depend too much on it.

First and foremost, we have grown dependent on technology for tasks that have never required it. In the kitchen, for example, we rely more and more on devices that can execute recipes we could already do on our own. This saves us time, but is quite wasteful, since we accumulate tools that we might have to substitute later, all of which spend energy.

In addition, this situation has no apparent alternative, since even our most basic economic transactions rely mostly on technology nowadays. In other words, the idea that we could live without the support and use of technology has become unthinkable, and we apply our imagination only towards further technological advancements.

To sum up, it is my opinion that we are giving away some of our practical knowledge and capabilities to machines, and we do not know yet how that might affect us in the future.