

Assessment 1 – Reading Task Template

PART 1: Upload your photo of your A3 in-class notes here:

1. Phone

A phone keeps us connected, helps me stay on time with alarms, and supports my health by tracking my steps. It makes everyday tasks easier. Whether we're using maps to reach a destination or calling for help in an emergency, phones are useful in countless ways. The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) reports that about 4 out of 5 people aged 10 and older worldwide owned a mobile phone in 2024. Without phones, staying in touch would be much harder.

2. Laptop

A laptop is a valuable tool for working, researching, and getting countless things done online. It makes learning and work much faster and more convenient. Students use laptops to complete assignments, do research, and use Moodle and other tools to support their studies, while workers also rely on them for meetings and logistics. OECD education data shows that computers continue to play an important role in schools, colleges, and universities.

Conclusion

Phones and laptops make everyday life more manageable, smoother, and more convenient. They help us stay connected with others, support our learning and work, and put valuable information just a few taps away. We can live without them, but when used responsibly, they are essential tools in modern life.

PART 2:

- Answer every question below in 1-3 **full** sentences.
- Use your own words. Do not use generative AI to answer these questions.
- Include a specific detail from the text when asked.

REMINDER

- The main idea is the overall message of the whole text.
- A key point helps to explain the main idea.
- A specific detail or example from the text shows that the key point is true.

1. What is the main idea of the whole text?

The text highlights just how essential phones and laptops have become in modern society. They make it easier and much more convenient to communicate, learn and work.

2. What is one key point that supports the main idea, and which specific example from the text shows this?

Phones help people find information and stay connected with others. According to the ITU (International Telecommunication Union), approximately four out of five people aged 10 and older worldwide owned a mobile phone in 2024. This supports the idea in the text because it shows just how much the population relies on phones in their day-to-day lives, including children.

3. What is a different key point that supports the main idea, and which specific example from the text shows this?

Laptops support students in their studies by helping them complete assignments, attend online classes and prepare presentations.

4. Which part of the text do you think is most important, and why?

I believe the conclusion is the most important part because it brings together the text's central message. It highlights how phones and laptops support everyday communication, learning, work and access to information.

Reflection:

5. What did you find difficult in this task (including in-class components), and why was it difficult?

I didn't find this task particularly challenging because I'm comfortable explaining ideas and researching facts to support my statements. However, I sometimes find it difficult to organise my work, so the template provided for this assignment was especially helpful.

What helped you with this difficulty, and how did it help you?

The template was very helpful because, as I mentioned, I sometimes struggle to organise my work. It gave me a clearer idea of how to structure my points and present the information I had gathered.