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SKILLS TEST 7 & 8

READING

1 Read the article. Match the topics (a–h) to the people in the article (1–3).

Last week, we asked you this question: What will life be like in 20 years' time? Here are some of your answers.

1 ANNA
There will be a lot more people in the world. It would be great if no one was hungry, and everyone had enough to eat. So, I think we will need to change our habits. We won't eat so much meat, because there won't be enough space for big animals. I think we'll eat insects instead of chickens or cows. But also, there won't be enough space for normal farms, so we will need to make tall towers and grow our vegetables inside them with special lights. It would be a very different type of farm from what we have today.

2 IVAN
Computers will be even more intelligent soon. Think about it. What would you do if a computer was able to do your job better than you? Well, soon, that's going to be true. Computers will drive all cars, so goodbye truck and taxi drivers! Machines will replace receptionists, and there won't be people making our shirts and jackets anymore. We will just make what we need with 3-D printers. We will need to train people who can program computers and write code. People who aren't learning to do these things now might have big problems in the future.

3 BARBARA
I read an article that the Internet will be everywhere. It's called "the Internet of things." Things will "talk" to other things. For example, your apartment will know when you are not there, and it will lock all the doors and switch off the lights for you. We will use smartphone apps to tell machines to water our plants outside when we are away. Your bathroom will know when you have no more toothpaste, and it will send a message to buy more. Your alarm clock will send messages to your coffee maker so you have hot coffee when you wake up. Your car will notify your house when you will arrive so that the house can adjust its temperature.

a food ☐
b the home ☐
c clothes ☐
d new buildings ☐
e gardens ☐
f shopping ☐
g education ☐
h work ☐

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2 Read the article again. Mark these sentences T (true) or F (false), or DS (doesn't say).

1 Anna thinks that people will eat different types of food in the future. ☐
2 She says that we won't have farms. ☐
3 Ivan thinks that most jobs will be the same in the future. ☐
4 He knows how to program computers and write code. ☐
5 He thinks we need to start learning now what we will need to do in the future. ☐
6 Barbara says that we won't need technology much in the future. ☐
7 She is worried about the future. ☐

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LISTENING

3 **Listen to a conversation. Mark [✓] the seven things the speakers talk about.**

They talk about:

1 something the boy thought his mother could do. ☐
2 where the girl thought her teachers lived. ☐
3 something the boy thought his phone could do. ☐
4 something his grandfather said. ☐
5 what people thought about the first phones. ☐
6 why people didn't like computers. ☐
7 why people were afraid of moving quickly. ☐
8 an early film. ☐
9 why people were afraid of flying. ☐
10 why some people are afraid of the Internet. ☐
11 being afraid of the future. ☐

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4 **Listen again. Choose the correct answer for each question.**

1 The girl _____ .
A wants the rain to stop B thinks the rain is good

2 The boy _____ his mother could control the weather.
A thought B never believed

3 The girl thought her teachers lived in the _____ .
A street B classrooms

4 When the boy was young, he _____ people things with his phone.
A enjoyed showing B couldn't show

5 People in the past didn't believe humans could travel _____ .
A long distances in trains B more than 30 miles an hour

6 The boy talks about a time when _____ .
A people were afraid of a movie B a train hit a movie theater

7 The girl thinks that people in the future will _____ .
A laugh at her and the boy B be afraid of technology

8 The boy thinks that _____ .
A computers will never become intelligent B intelligent computers are a scary idea

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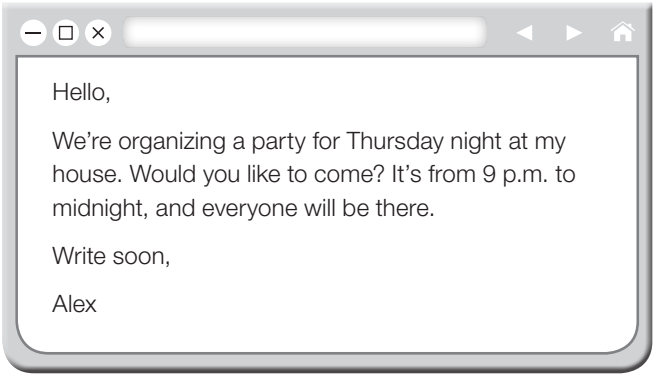
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WRITING

5 Read the email invitation from a friend. Write a reply (100–125 words) saying that you would like to go, but can't. Use the ideas below to help you.



- You should do your homework before Friday morning.
- You would need to get permission from your parents.
- 9 p.m. is too late.
- You are having your own party on Saturday at 7 p.m. at your house.

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SPEAKING

6 Work in pairs. Look at the list of things we often use. Talk about which things you have used and when you first used them. Then decide which three things are most important. Use the phrases in the list to agree or disagree.

So do I. *Neither / Nor do I.*
So did I. *Neither / Nor did I.*
So have I. *Neither / Nor have I*

- a smartphone
- a washing machine
- an electric toothbrush
- a fridge
- a credit card
- an MP3 player
- car

7 Work in pairs. Think of the three things you decided were most important in Exercise 6. Discuss these questions together.

1 What did people use to do before they had these three things?
2 What would life be like if we didn't have these things?

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TOTAL SCORE 70

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