

BREVET DE FIN D'ÉTUDES MOYENNES (B.F.E.M.)  
 SESSION NORMALE - PREMIER GROUPE D'ÉPREUVES  
 ÉPREUVE : ANGLAIS (LV1)

Durée : 2 heures - Coefficient : 2

**Text:** What is social networking?

- More and more people in the world are familiar with social networking. The most common site used in the world is Facebook, followed by Instagram, WhatsApp and Snapchat. For young people, the most popular app is Instagram, followed by Snapchat. Some apps are particularly popular like YouTube and TikTok because of video posting. Others are appreciated because of online games.
- Using a social networking site can be a lot of fun and is a great way to keep in touch, but it can carry risks, especially for children and young people. It is important to be aware that any app, site, game or platform that allows communication between users can be used to bully or harass and can be used by online predators.
- All social networking sites have age restrictions and it is important for parents to read and understand the site's Terms and Conditions of Use. This is particularly important when the account user is a young person. You don't pick and choose which rules you follow in the real world, so children should not be permitted to access age restricted accounts.

Adapted from: <https://www.education.vic.gov.au>.

I. **READING COMPREHENSION** (8 marks)

A. Match these titles with the corresponding paragraph number. (1 x 3 = 3 marks)

Titles	Paragraph numbers
1. Adults' responsibilities	Parag. ....
2. Most frequent used applications	Parag. ....
3. Different risks of social networking	Parag. ....

B. Read the text and choose the most appropriate a-b-c option. (0.5 x 4 = 2 marks)

- According to the text, the most popular site used everywhere is ...  
 a. TikTok                                      b. Snapchat                                      c. Facebook
- Instagram is mostly appreciated by ...  
 a. adults    b. adolescents                                      c. predators
- 'be aware' (in Parag. 2) means ...  
 a. be awake    b. be conscious                                      c. be careful
- 'restricted accounts' (in Parag. 3) means ...  
 a. limited accounts                                      b. unlimited accounts                                      c. prohibited accounts

C. Complete this table with information from the text. (0.5 x 4 = 2 marks)

Social networking	
Two advantages	Two disadvantages
8. ....	10. ....
9. ....	11. ....

D. What or who do these words refer to in the text? (0.5 x 2 = 1 mark)

12. 'Others' (Parag 1) refers to .....

13. 'it' (Parag. 2) refers to .....

II. LINGUISTIC AND COMMUNICATIVE COMPETENCE (6 marks)

E. Choose the most appropriate a-b-c option. (0.5 x 4 = 2 marks)

With social networking sites, users can .....<sup>14</sup> (to share / share / shared) comments. It is also possible for .....<sup>15</sup> (them / their / they) to post images and videos. But .....<sup>16</sup> (many / much / little) popular apps and platforms are dangerous for young people. If parents aren't careful, their children .....<sup>17</sup> (will / would / won't) be exposed to online predators.

F. Correct the underlined errors in these sentences. (0.5 x 4 = 2 marks)

18. Did you took these pictures from Instagram? (Correct word: .....)

19. This old man don't know how to use WhatsApp. (Correct word: .....)

20. Instagram is one of the easier applications for young people. (Correct word: .....)

21. Last year, we continue the programme with online courses. (Correct word: .....)

G. An angry woman is reproaching her son for using her smartphone all the time. Select four (4) appropriate phrases expressing her irritation. (0.5 x 4 = 2 marks)

22 is an example.

22. "Didn't I tell you to leave my phone alone?" .....

23. "Why don't you stop using my phone?" .....

24. "Please install TikTok for me!" .....

25. "Never touch my phone again!" .....

26. "It's all your fault if the battery is low!" .....

27. "You can use my phone as long as you need it." .....

28. "Give me back my phone immediately!" .....

III. WRITING (6 marks)

Choose one topic and write about 80-120 words.

Topic 1: Nowadays, more and more people are using social networks (WhatsApp, TikTok, Facebook, Instagram, etc.). What are the advantages and disadvantages?

Topic 2: Two students, Paul and Fama, are discussing the use of mobile phones at school. Paul thinks that it is important to have a mobile phone at school, but Fama thinks that it is not necessary. Write their dialogue.

Topic 3: Adama, the President of the School Government, writes a letter to the Principal to convince him (or her) to authorize the use of mobile phones in school.