

### Answering Strategy

1. Text type and format – This is an argumentative essay. There is no fixed format, but the introduction, main body and conclusion should be clearly differentiated by each's content.
2. Genre – This is a piece of argumentative writing. Decide whether you agree with the given statement. Then come up with a few arguments for your side and support them with concrete examples from real life.
3. Language and formality – The language of a newspaper essay aiming to convince should be formal. The messages should be delivered straightforwardly and in an assured tone. Use the present tense for actual and possible situations. Use rhetorical questions at times to emphasise points that you want emphasised.
4. Organisation – Begin by describing the current situation of social media sites and stating your stance. In each of the following paragraphs, present one argument (topic sentence) and strengthening examples (supporting details). End the essay with a brief summary of your arguments and stance. Organise the paragraphs, and sentences in each paragraph, with cohesive devices.
5. Topic and vocabulary – The topic of this essay is social media and internet culture. Draw on your own experience. Also refer to the following vocabulary for suggestions about ideas.

### Useful vocabulary and expressions

#### Verbs / verb phrases

accustom to	習慣於
amplify	放大
cajole	哄騙
cater to	迎合
commit suicide	自殺
disguise	掩飾
disrupt	擾亂
give rise to / lead to / raise	導致
influence	影響
reveal	表明
tease	取笑

#### Nouns / noun phrases

anxiety	焦慮
cyber bullying	網絡欺凌
dating scam	約會騙局
dysfunction	異常
efficiency	效率
interpersonal communication	人際交往
phenomenon	現象
resonation	共鳴
self-abasement	自卑
tendency	趨勢
text exchanges	文字交流
vicious circle	惡性循環
victim	受害者
virtual reality	虛擬現實

#### Adjectives

Inner	內心的
overweight	超重的
requisite	必不可少的
so-called	所謂的

#### Adverbs

additionally	此外
admittedly	誠然
anonymously	匿名地
inevitably	不可避免地
potentially	潛在地
thus	因此
undoubtedly	毋庸置疑地
worryingly	令人擔憂地

#### Others

a series of	一系列
cannot help but	忍不住
every once in a while	每隔一陣
instead of	而不是
not to mention	更不用說
on the one hand	一方面
on the other hand	另一方面
out of addiction	由於上癮
so far	迄今