

Answering Strategy

1. Text type and format – You are asked to write an essay. There is no fixed format for an essay, but as required in the question, you have to focus on three entertainment means and discuss how they affect young people.
2. Genre – It is an expository writing. You are expected to explain and elaborate on the influences of the three types of entertainment and relate your ideas to the phenomenon of hermit teenagers.
3. Language and formality – This is a semi-formal writing. Objectivity should be shown throughout the whole essay so that your arguments will appear more convincing. In this case, you may often find the passive voice useful. Concerning the use of tenses, you may use the present tenses like the simple present tense and the present perfect tense to depict facts and evidence of a current or recent phenomenon.
4. Organisation – You should first introduce the phenomenon of hermit teenagers by describing how they become addicted to various means of entertainment. Then talk about each means of entertainment in separate paragraphs. Describe how hermit teenagers indulge themselves in these entertainment means and how these means of entertainment badly influence teenagers' mind. Conclude the essay by highlighting what young people should do to prevent themselves from becoming hermit teenagers.
5. Topic and vocabulary – The topic of the writing is about hermit teenagers. You should have enough relevant ideas and vocabulary items for this topic. You can refer to the following ideas and vocabulary items.

Useful vocabulary items and expressions

Verbs / verb phrases

addicted to	對……上癮
appeal to	吸引
befriend	與（某人）成為朋友
binge on	狂歡作樂
derail	阻撓
detach sb. from	使某人從……中分離
engulf	吞沒 / 包圍
escape from reality	逃避現實
exert	施加
expose to	暴露於
game	玩遊戲
involve	涉及
numb	使麻木
nurture	培養
pander to sth.	迎合某事/物
stay in touch with	保持聯絡

Nouns / noun phrases

academic commitment	學術投入
aggressive behavior	激進行為
balanced, mentally healthy life	均衡的、心理健康的生活
chunk	一部分
contestant	參賽者
convenience	方便
culprit	禍根
daily life	日常生活
electronic device	電子裝置
emoticon	表情符號
excessive gaming	過度玩遊戲
harsh comments	苛刻評論
hermit teen	隱蔽青年
interpersonal skills	人際技巧
marathon viewing	馬拉松式觀看
mood	心情
obsession	沉迷
online communication	網上溝通
sitcom	情景喜劇
soap opera	肥皂劇
taste	品味
virtual world	虛擬世界

Adjectives

addictive
apathetic
distorted
enjoyable
face-to-face
futile
idle
prevalent
vulgar
withdrawn

使人上癮的
漠不關心的
扭曲的
愉悅的
面對面的
徒然的
無所事事的
流行的
粗俗的
孤僻的

Adverbs

adversely
emotionally
socially

不利地
情感上
社交方面的

Others

even worse
of vital importance
all day long

更糟的是
至關重要
整天