<u>Level: TCST</u> <u>JANUARY 2021</u>

### First Term English Test 2

#### Part One: Reading

## A/ Comprehension (08pts)

### Read the text carefully then do the activities.

The Social Networking System, Facebook, launched in 2004 by the founder Mark Zuckerberg, is one of the most important breakthroughs in the 21st century. Facebook is now an integrated part of every college student's life.

Facebook is used by more than 800 million people around the world yet little do people know of the profound effect that Facebook has on **their** physical, emotional, and mental health. A collection of studies that include surveys, interviews, and questionnaires will reveal the effect of Facebook on students' well-being. Studies indicate that Facebook can impact physical health by increasing the chance of Upper Respiratory Infection (URI), mental health by leading to web addiction, feelings of loneliness, narcissism, stress, and body dissatisfaction. It alters the traditional familial systems that have existed since the beginning of human life.

It is important to be aware of some of the downsides of Facebook in order to avoid being a victim of **its** unhealthy uses. Many people are unaware of the great impact of Facebook on their life when self- awareness is needed. Acknowledging and becoming fully aware of the nature of your problem is a pre- requisite to solving it. It is important so as not to lose confidence, family connections, and to maintain a healthy body and mind.

Adapted from http://article.sapub.org

#### 1. Choose the main idea of the text. (1pt)

- a) The Social Networking System and its advantages.
- b) Facebook and its drawbacks.
- c) An overview of social networks.

### 2. Say whether the following statements are true or false according to the text (2pts)

- a) Facebook is created by the founder Mark Zuckerberg.
- b) Facebook is used by very few people around the world.
- c) Studies indicate that Facebook has positive impact on the physical health.
- d) A lot of people are aware of the great impact of Facebook on their life.

### 3. Answer the following questions from the text. (3pts)

a) When exactly was Facebook launched and by who?

 What does the collection of studies reveal about the impact of Facebook on students' well being?
Is it important to be aware of the dangers of the Facebook? Why?

4. In which paragraph is it mentioned that the best way to beat Facebook addiction is
<u>awareness ? (1pt)</u>
5. What or who do the underlined words in the text
refer to ? (1pt)
a) Their (2§)
B) Text Exploration: (07pts)
1. Find in the text words or phrases closest in meaning to the following: (0.5pt)
Started $(\S 1) = \dots$ consequence $(\S 2) = \dots$
2. Find in the text words or phrases opposites to the following: (0.5pt)
Decreasing $(\S 2) \neq \dots$ healthy $(\S 3) \neq \dots$
3. Combine the pairs of sentences with the right
conjunction): (3pts) (Either or /Neithernor / Bothand)
1 - a )you can have a computer .
<b>b</b> ) you can have a mobile.
2 - a) Ahmed is addicted to Facebook.
b ) Sami is addicted to Facebook .
3 - a)I don't know how to check the email.
b )My friend doesn't know how to check the e-mail.
4. Reorder the following words in order to get coherent sentences: (2pts)
1) /Often /when /sad/rains/feel/ it/ we.
2) /at/are /noisy/they/ always/school/
5.Mark the stress in the following words: (1pt).
System- Follow – Printer – Provide.
Part Two: Written Expression (5pts)
5/ Fill in the gaps with the appropriate word from the following list:
( narcissism - selfish - social media - selfies - connect - harmful - twitter) Using too much and posting many have caused a rise in
narcissism. Narcissism is when someone becomes very
they are very talented and beautiful. Researchers at universities found that heavy users of social
media sites like Facebook andshowed a 25 per cent rise inin
just four months.

## Answers

# READING COMPREHENSION(8pts)

- **1. Choose the main idea of the text:** b) Facebook and its drawbacks.
- 2. Say whether the following statements are true or false according to the text (2pts)
- a) Facebook is created by the founder Mark Zuckerberg. True
- b) Facebook is used by very few people around the world. False
- c) Studies indicate that Facebook has positive impact on the physical health. False
- d) A lot of people are aware of the great impact of Facebook on their life. False
- 3. Answer the following questions from the text. (3pts)
- a) Facebook was launched in 2004 by the founder Mark Zuckerberg.
- b) Studies indicate that Facebook can impact physical health by increasing the chance of Upper Respiratory Infection (URI), mental health by leading to web addiction, feelings of loneliness, narcissism, stress, and body dissatisfaction. It alters the traditional familial systems that have existed since the beginning of human life.
- c) Yes, it is. It is important so as not to lose confidence, family connections, and to maintain a healthy body and mind.
- 4. In which paragraph is it mentioned that the best way to beat facebook addiction is awareness? Paragraph 03
- 5. What or who do the underlined words refer to in

the text? (1pt) Their (§2) people its (§3)

Facebook

**B) Text Exploration: (07pts)** 

1. Find in the text words or phrases closest in meaning to the following: (0.5pt)

Started  $(\S1)$  = launched

consequence  $(\S 2)$  = effect

4. Find in the text words or phrases opposites to the following: (0.5pt)

Decreasing ( $\S 2$ )  $\neq$  increasing

healthy (§3)  $\neq$  unhealthy

4. Combine the pairs of sentences with the right

<u>conjunction</u>): (3pts) (Either .. or /Neither ..nor / Both ..and)

- 1 )you can have either a computer or a mobile.
- 2 Both Ahmed and Sami are addicted to Facebook.
- **3** Neither my friend nor I know how to check the email.

#### 5. Reorder the words in order to get coherent sentences: (2pts)

- 1) We often feel sad when it rains.
- 2) They are always noisy at school.

# 6. Mark the stress in the following words: (1pt)

**'Sys**/tem - fo/'**llow** - '**prin**/ter - pro/'**vide** 

# **Part Two: Written Expression**

(5pts)

# Fill in the gaps

- 1) Social media
- 2) Selfies
- 3) selfish
- 4) Twitter
- 5) narcissism