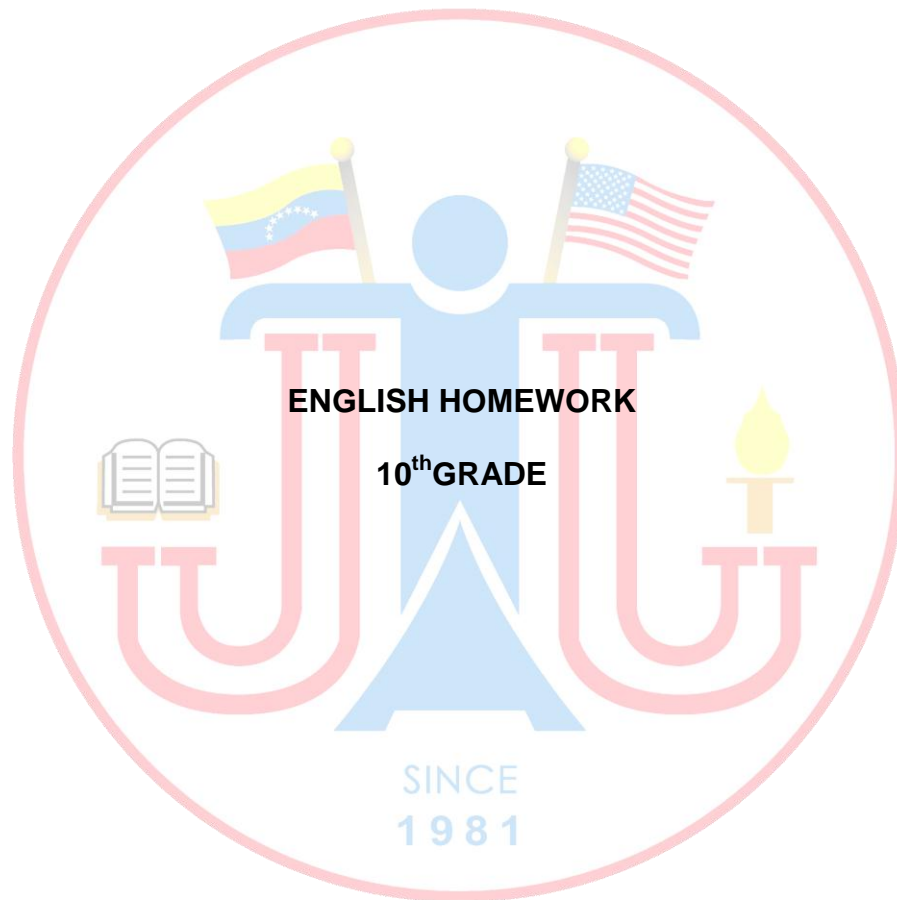


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Monday, April 9th

Read and answer

The Digital Divide

A recent survey has shown that the number of people in the United Kingdom who do not intend to get internet access has risen. These people, who are known as 'net refuseniks', make up 44% of UK households, or 11.2 million people in total.

The research also showed that more than 70 percent of these people said that they were not interested in getting connected to the internet. This number has risen from just over 50% in 2005, with most giving lack of computer skills as a reason for not getting internet access, though some also said it was because of the cost.

More and more people are getting broadband and high speed net is available almost everywhere in the UK, but there are still a significant number of people who refuse to take the first step.

The cost of getting online is going down and internet speeds are increasing, so many see the main challenge to be explaining the relevance of the internet to this group. This would encourage them to get connected before they are left too far behind. The gap between those who have access to and use the internet is the digital divide, and if the gap continues to widen, those without access will get left behind and miss out on many opportunities, especially in their careers.

True(T) or False(F)

- + More people in the UK do not intend to get internet access than before. ()**
- + The majority of people in the UK are 'net refuseniks'. ()**
- + Most of those without internet access want to get it. ()**
- + The minority of the people surveyed in 2005 weren't interested in having internet access. ()**
- + The main reason for not getting internet access is the cost. ()**

- ✚ **High speed internet is not available everywhere in the UK. ()**
- ✚ **Not having access to the internet will only affect people's careers. ()**

Tuesday, April 10th

Words that are sometimes confused!

a- Travel – Trip

The whole family went on a _____ to Florida.

Foreign _____ never really appealed to him until he retired.

b- Career – Course

He has just started out on a _____ as a photographer.

She's on a management _____ this week.

c- Fun – Funny

Our day at the beach was a lot of _____.

Don't laugh. It's not _____.

d- Borrow – Lend

Could you _____ me your umbrella?

Can I _____ your umbrella?

e- Argue – Discuss

Don't _____ with me – you know I'm right.

We're meeting to _____ the matter next week.

f- Lose (lost) – miss (missed)

I _____ the last train home again.

I _____ my bag. Have you seen it?

Wednesday, April 11th

Do you think is an upper or lower age limit for these activities?

- + Getting married
- + Having children
- + Learning a new language
- + Worrying about how you look
- + Leaving home
- + Starting a new career
- + Wearing jeans
- + Playing in a rock band

Explain Why.

Thursday, April 12th

Use the words in the box to complete the idiomatic expressions (a-f) describing feelings. Then write the meaning.

arms dumps minds moon stitches
weather

a- To be in _____ b- to be of two _____ c- to be over the _____

d- to be up in _____ e- to be under the _____ f- to be down in the _____