



Compréhension de l'écrit et expression écrite

Le sujet porte sur l'axe 2 du programme : **Espace privé et espace public.**

Il s'organise en deux parties :

1. Compréhension de l'écrit ;
2. Expression écrite.

Afin de respecter l'anonymat de votre copie, vous ne devez pas signer votre composition, citer votre nom, celui d'un camarade ou celui de votre établissement.

Text 1

The myth is that home-makers eat bonbons, watch soaps and take care of the kids. The reality is that there's a new revolution of people staying home these days and they are doing a lot more than folding laundry; they are moms and dads, new grads and grandparents, skilled professionals, and high-powered executives.

5 These individuals are finding more energy, more time, more ways to make money and yes, they are doing it their way. So if working from home is where your heart is, you are in the right place. It's definitely the right time. [...]

10 "Is it really possible? Can I really stay at home and make money?" We've heard that question asked by thousands of women and men across the country. Our resounding answer is "Yes!". This is the perfect time because the world is growing and changing. It's less restrictive and more inclusive, less traditional and more innovative. [...]

15 Not only has the Internet revolutionized the way we work and live, but it has created an alternative job market, new job descriptions and new opportunities. Think Chefs only work in restaurants? Meet Jennifer Beisser, CEO of ChefsLine, a business that supplies "on demand culinary advice for busy cooks." Clients find the service online, but they use the phone line to connect with a chef who will share personalised advice, step-by-step cooking instructions, and those little touches that can turn an ordinary dinner into fine cuisine. The chef who is providing the advice is doing so from his or her own home

T. Johnson and R. Spitzman, *Will Work From Home* (2008)

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Text 2

“Everybody who doesn’t work from home thinks it sounds like heaven, so people are often embarrassed to admit that they find it very difficult,” observes anthropologist and urban planner Ziona Strelitz. [...]

5 What’s so great about going to an office? Lots of things, as you’ve discovered. First, most workplaces don’t feature barking dogs, importunate relatives, or offspring who urgently need a ride to soccer practice just when you’ve got a deadline looming.

10 More important, “most employees want a workplace for its stimulus, its implicit messages of professionalism and being ‘at work’,” Strelitz notes. “In addition, you get access to a wide range of skills, ideas and personalities. People working together energize each other.” [...]

One thing you probably miss is the chance to bounce ideas off colleagues in casual conversations. [A study] found that people who work in an office tend to have influential mentors and to be offered valuable opportunities that arise from being seen around the place, something people who work from home miss out on.

15 Full-time telecommuters in this economy may also fear that “out of sight, out of mind” makes their jobs less secure. [...]

Moreover, working alongside others can offer another benefit: a sense of camaraderie. In survey after survey, employees give something like “I like the people I work with” as the main reason why they are satisfied with their job.

Anne Fisher, *CNN Money*, June 11, 2010



1. Compréhension de l'écrit (10 points)

Account for the two texts **in English**, taking into consideration the goals of the authors of both texts, and the ways they try to have an impact on people.

2. Expression écrite (10 points)

Vous traiterez **en anglais**, et en 120 mots au moins, **l'un des deux sujets suivants au choix** :

Sujet A

The firm you work for has decided to close some of its offices, requiring employees to work from home. Which reaction do you agree the most with? Justify.

Good idea, I have wanted to ask my manager to work from home for a long time.

Scandalous! I can't believe I'm getting fired this way!

It's OK, we still have a job but we need to adapt to the new conditions

Sujet B

You have been working from home for the past two years. Write a few entries in your diary explaining if you enjoy your lifestyle or not, and if you have any intention of changing it.