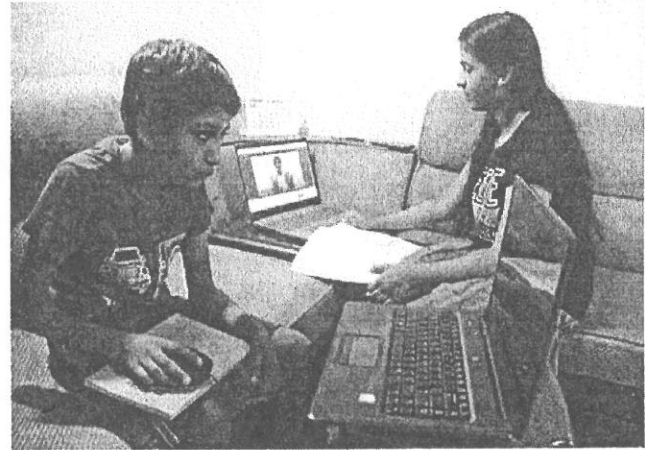
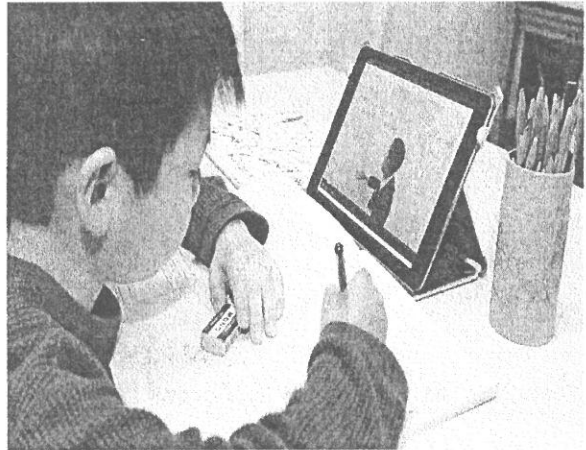
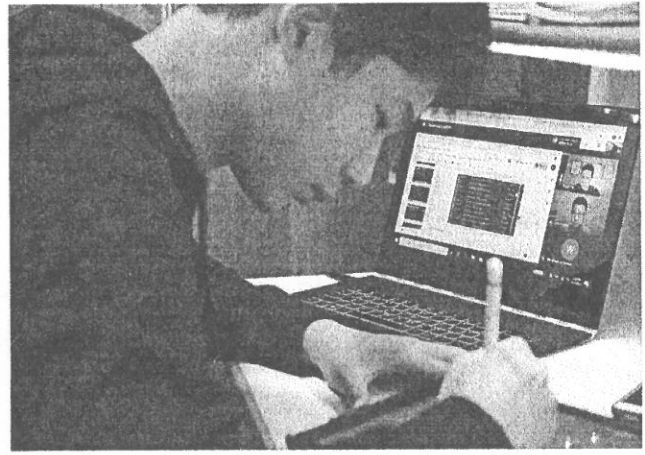


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**Question**



You heard two classmates having this conversation:

Classmate A: I dislike online learning! It has so many disadvantages.

Classmate B: For me, online learning has many good points. I like it a lot.

In about **200** words, write about online learning and what you think about it – whether you feel more like Classmate A or Classmate B. Give reasons to support your answer.

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Nowadays, a lot of schools are using online learning.

For me, I feel more like Classmate A - I dislike online learning. Here are my reasons why I dislike online learning.

First, online learning can be a distraction. Many younger students could be distracted by the electronic devices used for online learning. They could go on the Internet and search for other things while claiming that they were "doing research for homework". If that happened, the student's academic results could go down due to spending more time on electronic devices instead of doing revision.

As well as that, online learning <sup>could</sup> damage our health. Schools often arrange classes in groups of three, and that could take hours. Once, I had three classes in a row without a break. When it finally ended, my neck was sore and my back felt funny with what people called "pins and needles". When I got up, I felt dizzy and had to stagger to the table for a glass of water. Online learning can also damage our sight. Staring at an electronic device for too long can result in short sight, and the limit for that is losing your vision. How would you be able to learn like normal people?

Also, online learning makes it harder to communicate. For

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example, when I went to school earlier than others, I would always have a chat with my friends. Now, it is hard to talk with ~~you~~ friends in online learning apps such as Zoom, because the teachers are teaching when we want to talk. It is especially frustrating when you can't text your friends because they are not in possession of a phone. Online learning can also ~~be laggy~~ involve which means technical difficulties. For example, when we are having an online meeting, the teacher might experience technical difficulties resulting in <sup>us</sup> not able to hear the teacher talking. That would be a <sup>big</sup> hindrance.

The most annoying part of it all is online learning cannot help us experience some things. For example, in lessons such as music, our teacher requires us to play instruments. Unless you have the instrument at home, which is a very rare case, you cannot do music activities like playing metallophones. The worst part about it is that playing musical instruments counts in our music assessment, giving us less time to practice.

Although I strongly dislike online learning, I am forced to admit that a majority of schools have already been using online learning, which is a double-edged sword. I hope that students can go back to school again to continue learning normally.