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## LANGUAGE FOCUS

### **Text: what is ICT?**

ICT (information and communications technology - or technologies) is an umbrella term **that** includes any communication device or application, encompassing: radio, television, cellular phones, computer and network hardware and software, satellite systems and so on, as well as the various services and applications associated with **them**, such as videoconferencing and distance learning. ICTs are often spoken of in a particular context, such as ICTs in education, health care, or libraries. The term is somewhat more common outside of the United States.

According to the European Commission, the importance of Information and Communication Technologies resides less on the technology itself than in **its** ability to create greater access to information and communication in underserved populations. Many countries around the world have established organizations for the promotion of ICTs, because it is feared that unless less technologically advanced areas have a chance to catch up, the increasing technological advances in developed nations will only serve to exacerbate the already-existing economic gap between technological "have" and "have not" areas. Internationally, the United Nations actively promotes ICTs for Development (ICT4D) as a means of bridging the digital divide.

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## I- READING COMPREHENSION

### a- Answer the questions

1- What does the term ICT include?

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### b- Say whether these statements are true or false. justify by quoting from the text

1- The term ICT is more common in the United States

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2- Many countries in the world want to promote ICT

3- The United States actively promotes ICT for development in order to fight against digital divide

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### c- What do the following words refer to in the text

That (p.1) ..... Them (p.1): ..... Its (p.2):.....

### d- Find in the text words that mean as

a) Including (p.1): ..... Progressive (p.2): .....

b) Intensify (p.2): ..... Several (p.1): ..... Competence (p.2): .....

### e- Tick the right answer

#### 1) Distance learning is:

a- To learn online ..... b- to learn about distance .....  
c- to learn quickly .....

#### 2) Health care

a- Health problems ..... b- to improve a person's well-being .....  
c- to care about children .....

To do.....

To see.....

To come.....

To sleep.....

To drive.....

To break.....

## C- Passive voice

1- Mechanician used cellphones in class

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2- LTAP students have been learning Mechanics

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**A- Circle the right answer and translate into English**

My name is Kevin and I am a student in mechanics. I have been working as a mechanic *since/ for/ ago* three years. In an enterprise I can work without / *to stop/ stopped/ stopping*. If I make a lot of money, *I would continue/ will continue/would have continued/ I have continued to continue* my studies

**B- Put the verbs in the right tense**

- 9 - 2<sup>nd</sup> BT students (**to have**)..... English class every Tuesday morning
- 10- Yesterday Kevin (**not to come**)..... to school
- 11- Years ago we (**to import**) .....mechanical materials from Europe
- 12- They (**to sell**).....their iPhone in the local market since 1999
- 13- Next year we (**to succeed**).....in our exam.
- 14- Sometimes, you (**to get**) .....very happy

**II- WRITING:** give your opinion about the use of cell phones at school