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**SHERIDAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AND ADVANCED LEARNING
LANGUAGE ASSESSMENT**

ASSESSMENT TIME – 75 MINUTES

Write a formal essay of approximately 300 words on **ONE** of the topics given below.
Your writing will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- organization of the essay in well structured paragraphs
- appropriate and clear expression of ideas
- accuracy and variety in sentence structures
- accuracy in use of grammar, punctuation and mechanics

Please circle the topic of your choice.
A dictionary is available if you need one.
Please use a pen.

This language assessment will determine whether you begin your study at the Essential or Basic level of the Communication Skills course.

I understand the importance of this essay for my Communications placement at Sheridan.

Signature _____

Date

Nov 30th/2012

1. From kitchen appliances, to computers, to entertainment, to communication – technological innovations have affected everyone. Identify **ONE** advancement in technology that you **COULD NOT** do without and explain why.
2. More and more people are deciding to eliminate meat from their diets and become vegetarians. Do you think this is a good idea? **Argue for or against becoming a vegetarian.** Use specific reasons and examples to support your position.

Please open this booklet and begin your essay.

OUTLINE

(recommended but not evaluated)

- technology innovations

2- opening paragraph

2- 3 paragraphs

3- conclusion

1: - Growing up in a small town
- Appreciate the smaller things in life

- Advanced technology from a simple oven, fridge, heater has provided me with the necessities to live and grow

2: explain why this has effected me

3: centuries ago these things weren't around.

4: hopes for the future

6: can live without facebook, twitter (social media) miss the days when you could.....

FINAL DRAFT

Growing up in a small town can really make you appreciate the smaller things in life. Compared to someone who has lived in the city, you aren't familiar with new things like music, media and technology. Which is why I couldn't live without regular day to day basics home appliances.

Advanced technology from a simple oven, fridge, or a heating device has all provided me and my family with the necessities to live, grow and adapt. Cavemen to amish families have their own ways of providing for their loved ones, even though they used no technology what so ever.

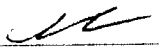
Besides building a fire to keep warm, cook food or produce a source of light, it has always just come natural to the human race to keep one another alive and healthy. Imagine now a days trying to make our favorite dish with wood and fire, it wouldn't be impossible but not very convenient either. This has really effected me by appreciating what we have now and how far technology has come.

Hundreds of years ago these simple yet important things weren't around not even available, but there was always someone coming up with more convenient ideas to keep the human race going. Technology has grown so far in many ways but these simple necessities in life have never changed and probably never will, just advance to new more sufficient ideas. Now we have come to appliances that are safe for the planet, cost less and healthier for everyone, which ironically has given back to our planet that has provided us with the things we need to survive.

Now that we are giving back to our planet we have even more room to advance and one day hopefully everyone in the world can be provided with these advanced technology appliances. Some families aren't even familiar with these advancements, which can be devastating.

Countries that have been effected by Global disasters rely ~~on~~^{on} electricity and appliances to get back up on their feet and start over. If we didn't have these technologies it would be nearly impossible to start over.

Technology has grown a great amount and everything has provided us with life and made us who we are today. Although you can't really appreciate these things until you no longer have them. All in all our human race can live without new cell phones, the latest computer, face book or twitter but no matter who you are or where you are no one can live with out the simple day to day appliances. And the will to keep our loved ones alive and growing.

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