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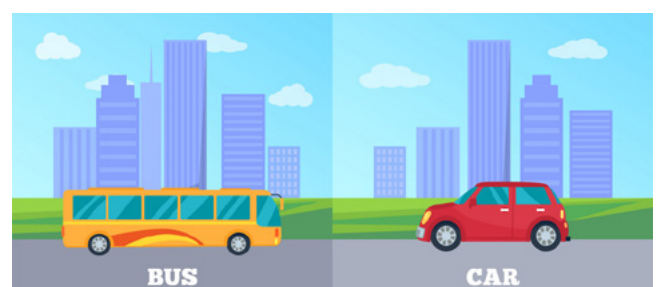
Vector graphics are composed of geometric shapes like points, lines, and curves, which are defined by mathematical equations. They are resolution-independent and can be scaled to any size without loss of quality.

Raster graphics, on the other hand, are made up of pixels arranged in a grid and are resolution-dependent. Understanding the differences between vector and raster graphics is essential for choosing the appropriate file format and editing tools in print design.

TASK 3: TRAVELLING BY CAR VS BY BUS

A (candidate):

You and your friend are going on a trip around Europe after graduation. You want to go by car and your friend is opting for the bus. Persuade your friend to take the car. Compare travelling by car to travelling by bus and talk about the advantages, disadvantages, your experience, etc.



B (examiner):

Your friend wants to go on a holiday by car but you are in favour of the bus.



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Smartphones have become essential tools in our daily lives, offering a wide range of functions beyond just making calls. These handheld devices allow us to stay connected with friends and family through text messages, social media apps, and video calls.

Additionally, smartphones serve as portable cameras, music players, and personal organizers, helping us capture memories, stay entertained, and manage our schedules. With access to the internet, smartphones provide instant information on any topic, making them invaluable tools for learning and exploration.

TASK 3: ENGLISH AS A WORLD LANGUAGE

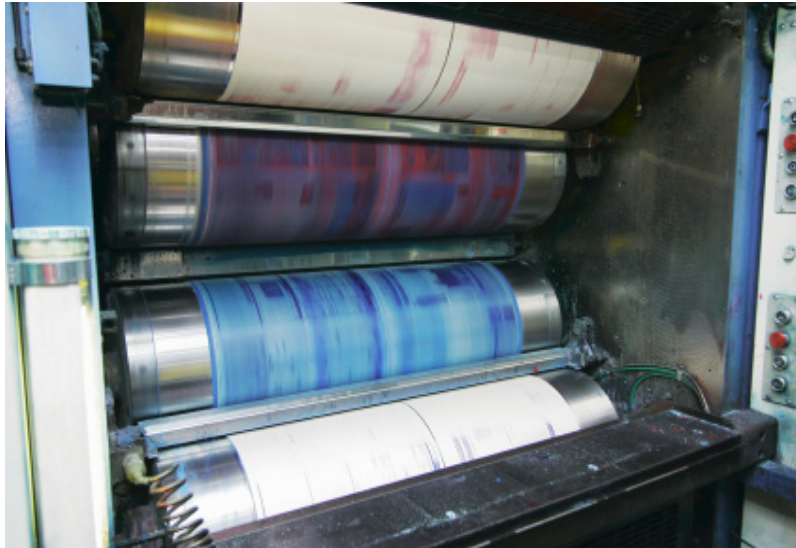
Discuss the importance of English as a foreign language.
Say something about your experience in learning English.





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Ensuring safety at work is paramount in any printing environment. Printers should familiarize themselves with equipment operation and follow proper safety protocols to prevent accidents. This includes wearing appropriate protective gear such as gloves and goggles when handling chemicals or operating machinery. Regular maintenance and inspection of equipment are also essential to identify and address potential hazards. Additionally, providing adequate training and supervision for employees promotes a culture of safety awareness and reduces the risk of workplace injuries.

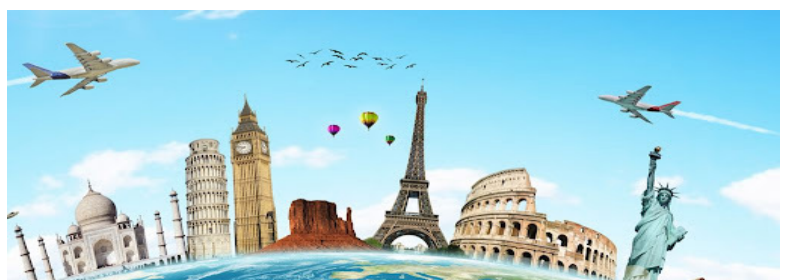
TASK 3: HOLIDAYS AND TRAVELLING

A (candidate):

You want to travel to one of the world capitals for the summer holidays and you need to persuade your best friend to come along with you.

B (examiner):

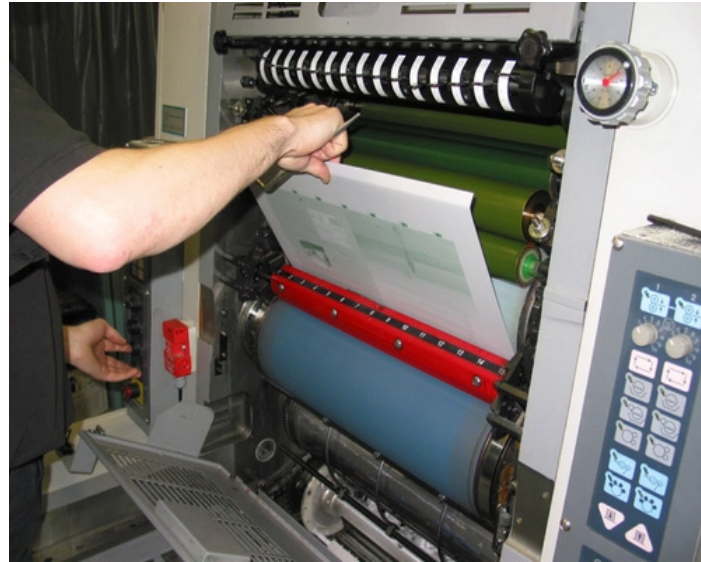
You are A's best friend who doesn't like travelling and you think the best holidays are at home watching TV.





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Adobe Photoshop is a raster graphics editor used for editing and manipulating digital images. It offers a wide range of tools and filters for retouching photos, creating digital artwork, and designing graphics for print and web.

Photoshop's non-destructive editing capabilities and extensive features make it an essential tool for photographers, graphic designers, and artists.

TASK 3: SMOKING

A (candidate):

Your best friend is a heavy smoker. How would you persuade him/her to stop smoking?

B (examiner):

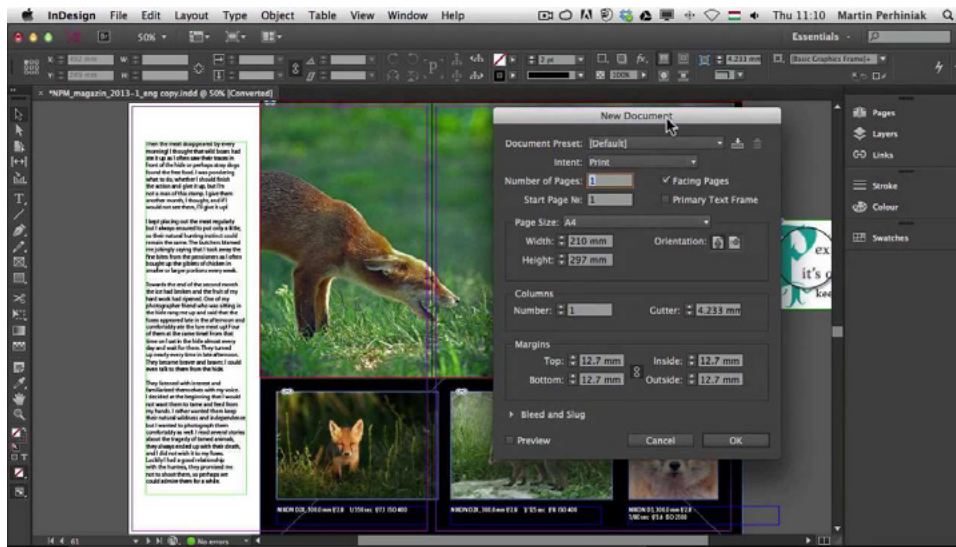
You are a heavy smoker, who doesn't want to quit smoking.





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Screen printing on T-shirts is a popular method for creating vibrant and durable designs. After preparing the screen, it's placed on the fabric, and ink is applied over the stencil using a squeegee.

The ink is forced through the mesh onto the T-shirt, creating the desired design. Each color requires a separate screen and pass through the printing press, allowing for intricate and multi-colored designs on T-shirts.

TASK 3: UNFORGETTABLE MEMORIES

A (candidate):

You are being interviewed for the school radio about the most important events in your life. Talk about the events that were for some reason unforgettable.

B (examiner):

You are interviewing your schoolmate for the school radio about the most important events in his/her life.





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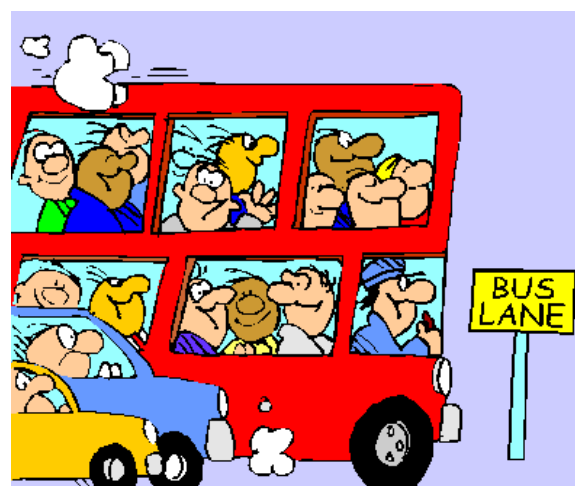
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Screen printing begins with preparing the mesh screen, which involves stretching a fine mesh tightly over a frame. The mesh is then coated with a light-sensitive emulsion and allowed to dry in a dark environment. Once dry, a transparency of the desired image is placed on the screen, and it's exposed to light.

Areas exposed to light harden the emulsion, while unexposed areas remain water-soluble. After exposure, the screen is washed, leaving behind a stencil of the image ready for printing.

TASK 3: PUBLIC TRANSPORT

List different means of public transport available in Slovenia and worldwide. Choose a few and talk about their advantages and disadvantages. Include your own experience.





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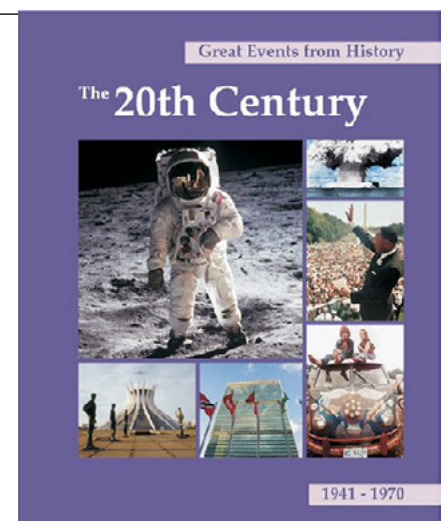
Ergonomics in printing technology focuses on designing workspaces and equipment to optimize efficiency and minimize strain on the body.

Adjustable chairs, ergonomic keyboards, and monitor stands help maintain proper posture and reduce the risk of repetitive strain injuries. Attention to ergonomics not only improves comfort but also enhances productivity and overall well-being in the workplace.

Adapted from: »Multimedia: Making it Work« 8th edition; 2011 by Tay Vaughan, McGraw-Hill, p.181

TASK 3: MOST IMPORTANT WORLD EVENTS

In your opinion, what was the most important event of the 20th century?
Describe the event that influenced life the most in the last century. Why was it so important?





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Papermaking is a fascinating process that begins with the pulping of wood fibers or recycled paper. These fibers are mixed with water to form a pulp, which is then spread onto a mesh screen to drain excess water. The remaining pulp is pressed and dried to form sheets of paper.

Various additives like dyes and sizing agents are used to enhance the paper's strength and appearance. Finally, the paper is rolled and cut into desired sizes for commercial use.

TASK 3: HEALTHY EATING HABITS

A (candidate):

You are talking to your friend, giving him/her some advice on healthy eating and illustrating that from your own experience. Discuss your healthy eating habits with your friend.

B (examiner):

You are an overweight burger lover who has actually never given a second thought to your own eating habits.





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Printed materials often require different finishes to achieve the desired look and feel. Glossy finishes provide a shiny surface, enhancing color vibrancy and sharpness. Matte finishes offer a non-reflective surface, ideal for readability and a more subdued appearance.

Other options include satin, which falls between glossy and matte, and textured finishes like linen or vellum, adding tactile interest to printed pieces.

TASK 3: A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE

A (candidate):

You want to persuade your overweight, couch potato friend to start living healthy by giving him the arguments in support of healthy outdoor activities.

B (examiner):

You are a couch potato and a computer geek who hasn't been in the fresh air for quite a while. In fact, you enjoy being that way and reject all of your friend's suggestions.





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Adobe Illustrator is a vector graphics editor used for creating illustrations, logos, icons, and other scalable graphics. Unlike raster graphics, which are made up of pixels, vector graphics are based on mathematical equations, allowing for unlimited scalability without loss of quality.

Illustrator's versatile tools and precision make it indispensable for graphic designers and illustrators working on print projects.

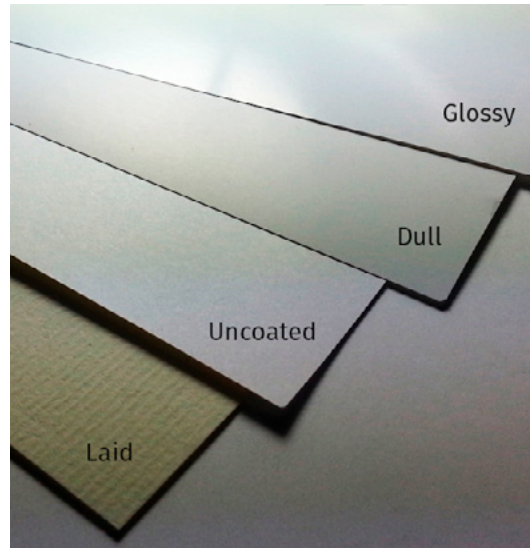
TASK 3: TRAVELLING IN THE PAST VS NOWADAYS

Compare travelling in the past and nowadays.
What were some of the typical means of transport in the past and what do we use now?
Which is better and why?



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Pre-press is the stage in printing where digital files are prepared for printing. This includes tasks such as color correction, image retouching, and layout design to ensure the final print meets quality standards.

Pre-press also involves creating printing plates or screens and selecting the appropriate paper stock for the job. Attention to detail during the pre-press phase is crucial for producing accurate and visually appealing printed materials.

TASK 3: THE ENVIRONMENT

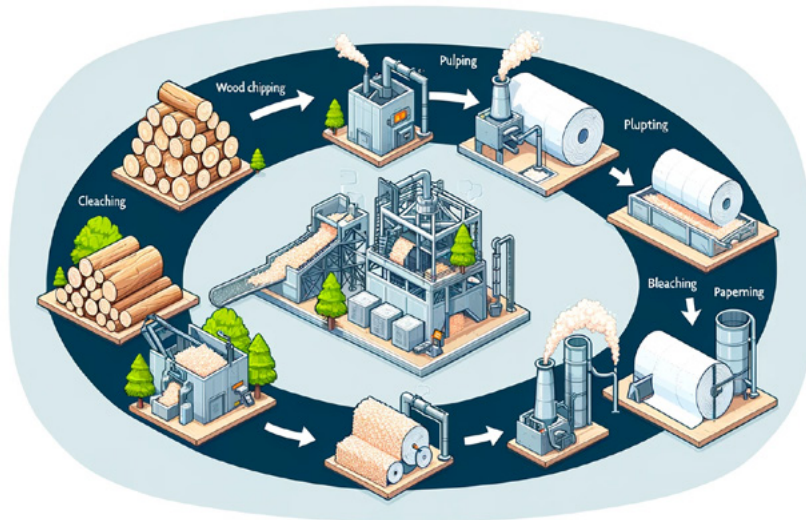
What should we do to keep our environment (nature) clean? How can we reduce pollution? Give some advice and say what you do to protect nature.





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Adobe InDesign is a desktop publishing software used for creating and designing print and digital media. It offers tools for layout design, typography, and image manipulation, allowing users to create professional-looking documents such as brochures, magazines, and flyers.

InDesign's intuitive interface and extensive features make it a preferred choice for graphic designers and print professionals.

TASK 3: LIVING IN THE COUNTRYSIDE VS THE CITY

A (candidate):

Your English friend has won €500,000 on a lottery. He/she wants to buy some property in Slovenia. Give your friend some useful advice. Compare living in the city to living in the countryside.

B (examiner):

You have won €500,000 on a lottery and you want to buy a house or a flat in Slovenia. You can't decide whether to settle down in a town or in the countryside.





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The term leading is derived from the days of hot metal type when strips of lead were placed between lines of type to provide line spacing. Leading is the space between lines of type. It is generally measured from baseline to baseline and expressed in points.

Some software may use the term line spacing while others still refer to this spacing as leading. Word processing software often has the option to use single, double, or even triple spacing or to specify specific leading in points or other measurements.

TASK 3: SIGHTSEEING IN SLOVENIA

A (candidate):

You are travelling abroad and you have met someone who has never heard of Slovenia. Describe Slovenia and recommend some sights to see.

B (examiner):

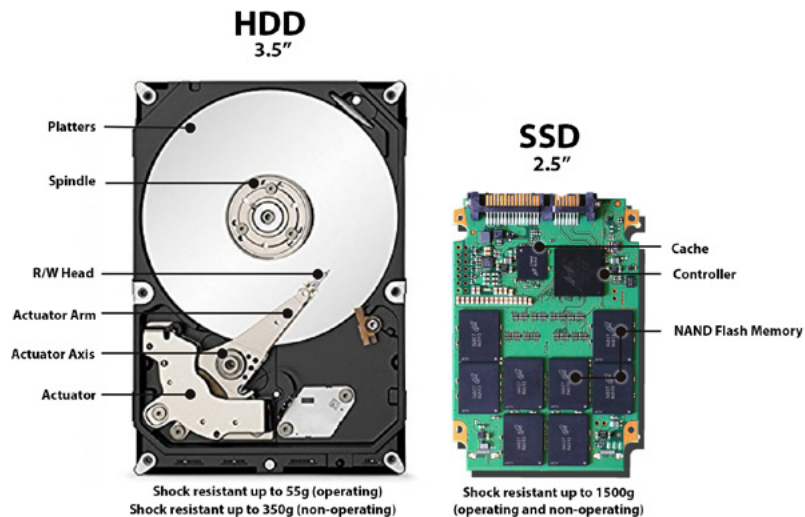
You are an American who has never heard of Slovenia. You might want to visit some tourist attractions there.





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Saddle stitching is a binding method where folded sheets are stacked together, and staples are inserted along the fold line to secure them. The printed sheets are collated and folded in half to create the pages of the booklet or brochure.

The folded stack is placed over a saddle-shaped platform on the stitching machine. The machine's stitching head moves along the spine of the stack, automatically inserting staples through the fold line. Once the staples are inserted, the excess length of the staples is trimmed, and the finished booklet is ejected from the machine.

TASK 3: VISITING SLOVENIA

A (candidate):

Your penfriend from England wants to come to Slovenia to visit you and experience the authentic Slovenia. Recommend some events and the best time to visit Slovenia.

B (examiner):

You are an Englishman who has been invited to visit Slovenia.





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Smartphones

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The most crucial features of internet safety include strong password practices, such as using unique, complex passwords for each account and enabling two-factor authentication. Regular software updates and antivirus protection are essential to prevent malware infections and vulnerabilities. Avoiding suspicious links, emails, and downloads helps prevent phishing attacks and malware installation. Privacy settings should be reviewed and adjusted regularly to control personal information exposure. Practicing discretion when sharing personal data online and using secure connections, such as HTTPS, ensure data confidentiality. Lastly, staying informed about current cybersecurity threats and best practices is vital for maintaining internet safety.

TASK 3: EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM IN SLOVENIA

A (candidate):

You meet a foreign exchange student and he/she wants to know more about the Slovenian educational system and the working opportunities. Explain the possibilities and give some useful advice.

B (examiner):

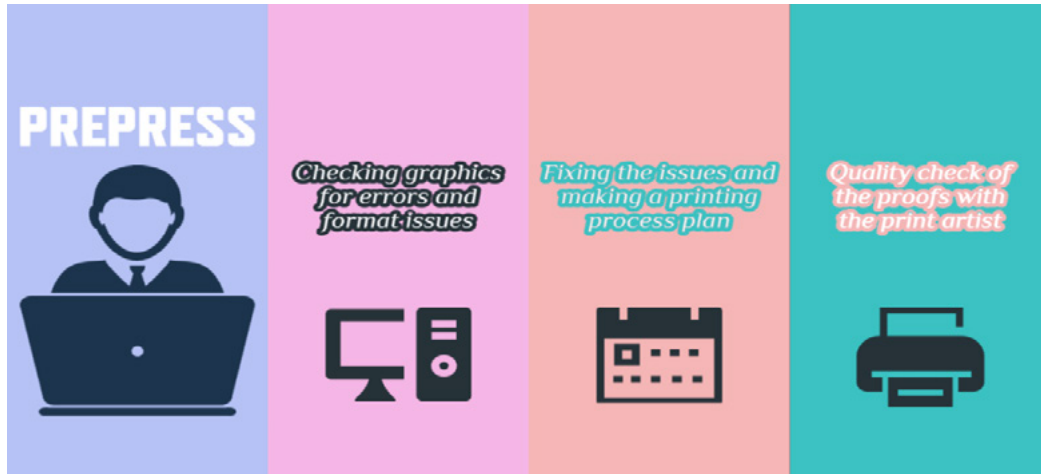
You are a foreign exchange student who is looking for the opportunity to study and work in Slovenia. Your Slovenian friend is explaining the situation to you.





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Computers are powerful devices that have revolutionized the way we work, learn, and communicate. From desktops to laptops and tablets, computers come in various forms and sizes, each serving different purposes. These machines enable us to create documents, design graphics, and manipulate digital images using software programs like Microsoft Office and Adobe Creative Suite. Computers also provide access to vast amounts of information through the internet, facilitating research and learning.

Whether it's for school projects, professional work, or entertainment, computers play a crucial role in our daily lives. Additionally, computers are used to control printing presses and manage workflow in print production environments, improving efficiency and accuracy.

TASK 3: ECOLOGY

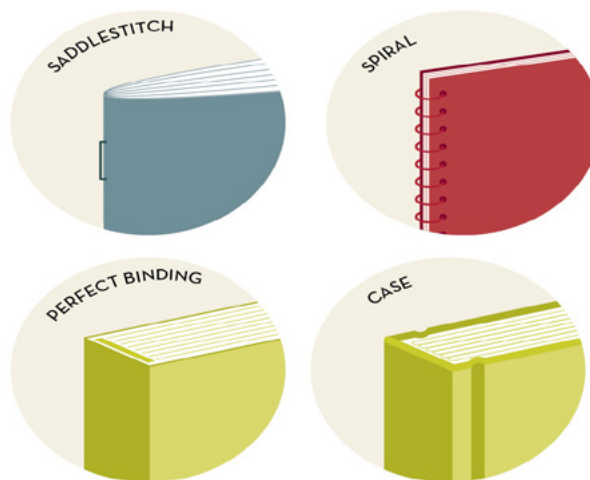
Discuss different ways in which we are destroying our planet (pollution, global warming, deforestation, ozone hole, etc.). How could this be stopped? What can we do to help?





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Offset lithography utilizes plates made of aluminum or polyester coated with a photosensitive emulsion. These plates undergo a process called exposure, where the image to be printed is transferred onto the plate using UV light.

The exposed areas become chemically receptive to ink, while non-image areas repel it. This printing method is ideal for large print runs due to its efficiency and consistency.

TASK 3: TRAVELLING

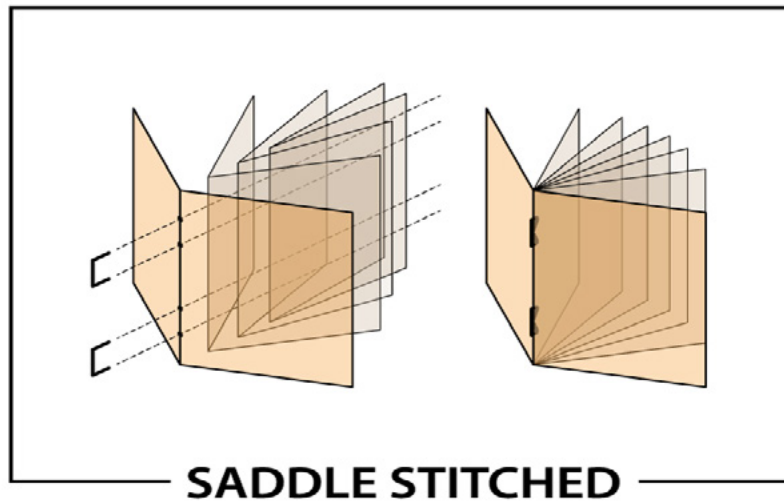
Compare travelling by land, air and water. Which is the fastest / most dangerous / most romantic, etc.? Name the means, their advantages and disadvantages. What is your experience?





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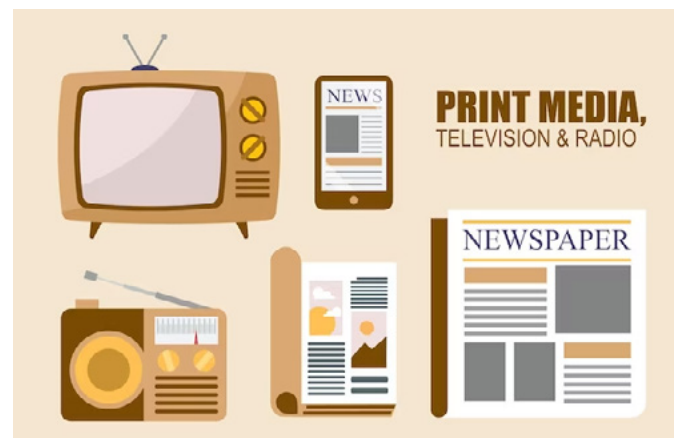
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Typography is crucial because it shapes how information is communicated and perceived. It affects readability, legibility, and the overall aesthetic appeal of written content. Different typefaces convey different tones and emotions, influencing the message's impact. Proper typography enhances user experience by guiding readers through content effectively, whether in print or digital mediums.

It helps establish brand identity and recognition by creating a consistent visual language across various materials. Additionally, typography plays a significant role in design hierarchy, organizing information and emphasizing key points. Overall, thoughtful typography enhances communication, enhances visual appeal, and ensures content is easily understood and engaging.

TASK 3: PRINTED MEDIA AND TV

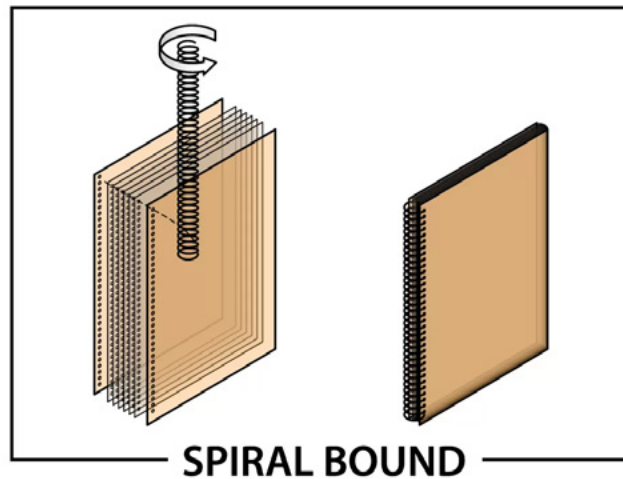
Discuss the role of printed media and television in the modern world (entertainment, education, news, etc.). Which magazines and newspapers do you read and what do you watch on TV?





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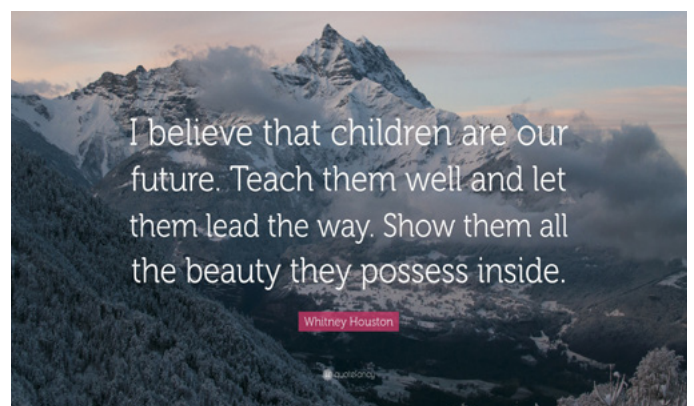
Laser cardboard cutters utilize high-powered lasers to precisely cut and engrave cardboard. Operators upload a digital design file and adjust cutting parameters like speed and power. The laser follows the designated path, vaporizing or melting away material to create intricate shapes and patterns. This process ensures clean, precise cuts and shallow engravings.

Laser cutters offer speed, accuracy, and versatility, commonly used in packaging, prototyping, and crafts. They minimize material waste and can process various materials beyond cardboard. Laser cutting technology continues to revolutionize industries by offering efficient and precise fabrication solutions.

TASK 3: YOUNG PEOPLE AND THE FUTURE

What are your plans for the future? What will you have to do to make them come true?

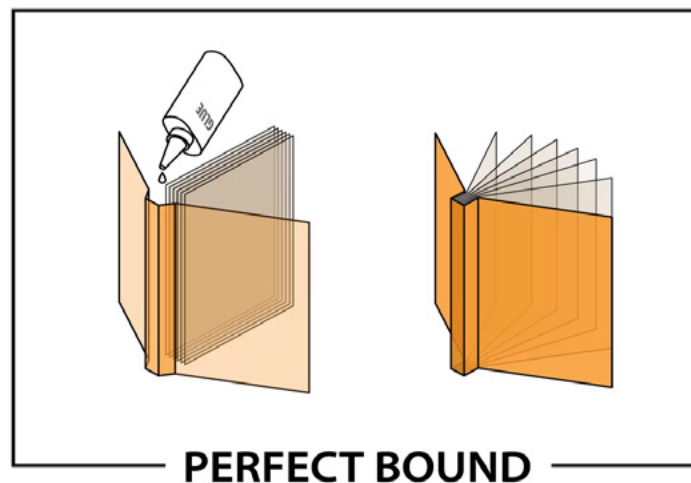
How and where do you see yourself in twenty years? What will you be doing? Where will you be living? Think about your home, job and leisure activities.





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To use the internet at home, you typically need a few essential components. First, you require a device capable of connecting to the internet, such as a computer, smartphone, or tablet. Next, you need an internet connection, which can be provided through various means like cable, DSL, fiber-optic, or satellite.

A modem is necessary to connect your device to the internet service, and if you're using a Wi-Fi connection, a router is needed to create a wireless network in your home. Lastly, a subscription to an ISP is essential to access the internet.

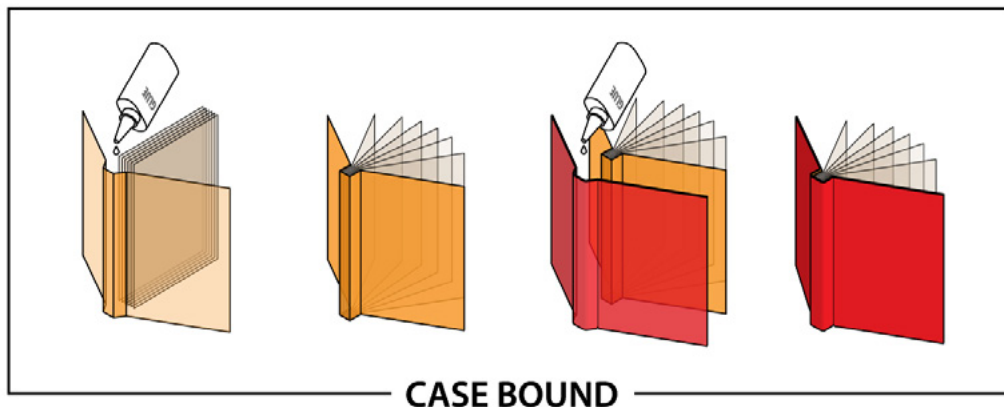
TASK 3: SOCIAL NETWORKING

How have the Internet and social networks, such as Facebook, YouTube and others affected our lives? What is your experience?



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Printing transfers for T-shirts involve creating designs on transfer paper using methods like inkjet or sublimation printing. The design is then transferred onto the T-shirt using a heat press machine, applying heat and pressure to bond the ink onto the fabric.

This process results in vibrant and durable prints that withstand multiple washes. Printing transfers offer versatility in design and color options, making them ideal for custom T-shirt printing, promotional apparel, and personalized gifts. With the ability to produce intricate designs with ease, printing transfers provide a cost-effective and efficient solution for creating unique and eye-catching T-shirts.

TASK 3: COMPUTERS

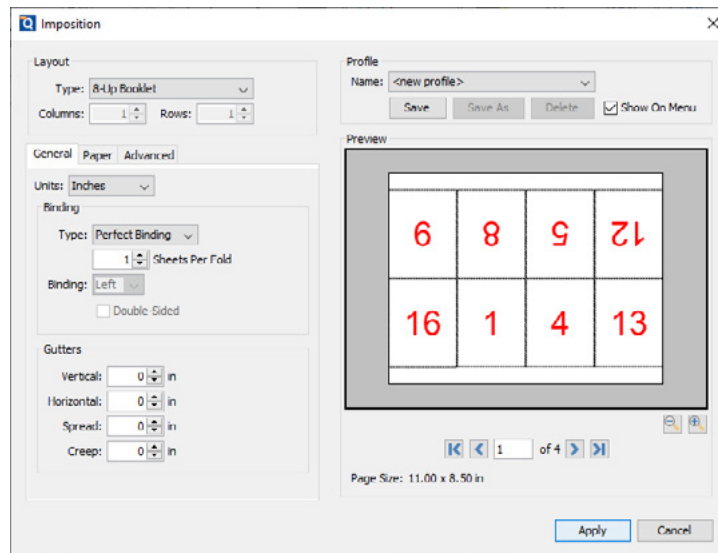
What is the role of computers in the modern world? Discuss the importance of computers in communication, work, education, free time, etc.





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A computer has many parts. Some are inside the computer case; they are called the internal components. These inner parts are: motherboard, central processing unit (CPU), graphics card or video card (or 3D accelerator), sound card, hard disk drive, memory (RAM), CD or DVD drives, network card, power supply unit.

These parts are all connected with cables or attached directly to the motherboard. Some components, like the CPU and the video card, mustn't get too hot, so we cool them down using fans or even a water-cooling system. Also, some components can be external, like an external disk drive.

TASK 3: NATURAL DISASTERS

Describe the most violent weather or a natural disaster that you have ever experienced (or heard about in the media). When, where and how did it happen? What was the damage caused?





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Imposition is crucial in printing as it determines the arrangement of pages on a sheet, optimizing paper usage and facilitating efficient printing and binding processes. Proper imposition ensures that pages are ordered correctly and positioned for folding, cutting, and binding, minimizing waste and production costs.

It also ensures that the final printed product meets quality standards by aligning content accurately and maintaining consistency throughout the document. Imposition plays a significant role in various printing projects, from books and magazines to brochures and packaging, ensuring that the final result is visually appealing, professional, and cost-effective.

TASK 3: UK VS US

The United Kingdom and the United States of America have many similarities, but there are also many differences. Name some cultural, political and language differences.





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Case binding is a method of bookbinding where the book block (the assembled pages) is glued together along the spine, sewed and attached to a sturdy cover. The cover, often made of cardboard wrapped in cloth or paper, provides durability and a professional appearance.

Case binding is commonly used for hardcover books and offers a polished finish suitable for both decorative and functional purposes.

TASK 3: PRIVACY TODAY

How much do the computers know about us?
Why do some sites gather our personal information?
What guidelines concerning computerized personal data should be followed?



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Perfect binding is a method of binding where the pages are glued together along the spine and attached to a wrap-around cover. Unlike case binding, perfect binding does not involve sewing the pages together. This cost-effective binding method is commonly used for paperback books, magazines, and catalogs, providing a clean and professional finish.

TASK 3: PETS**A (candidate):**

Your friend wants to have a pet but doesn't know what animal to choose. Suggest what he/she should get and support your arguments.

B (examiner):

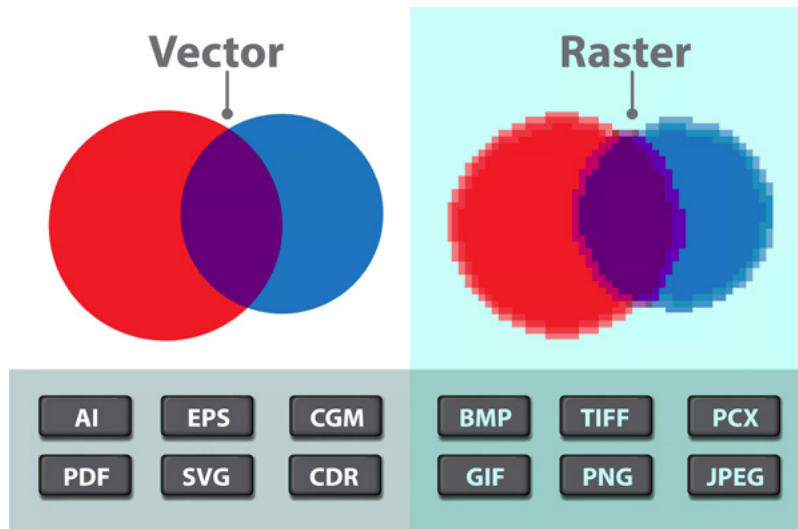
You have never had a pet and you want one. You ask a friend for advice.





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Spiral binding, also known as coil binding, involves inserting a continuous plastic or metal coil through small holes punched along the edge of the document. The coil is then crimped at both ends to prevent unraveling. Spiral binding allows for easy page turning and lays flat when opened, making it ideal for notebooks, manuals, and presentations that require frequent reference.

TASK 3: BOOKS

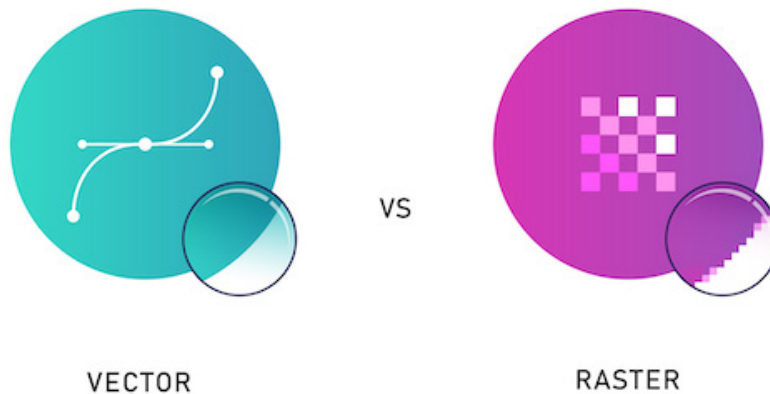
There are many different ways to read books nowadays. Compare the advantages and disadvantages of reading physical or digital books.





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Hot stamping is a printing method that applies metallic or colored foil onto surfaces like paper, plastic, or leather. A heated metal die presses foil onto the substrate, transferring the design through pressure. It adds a shiny, decorative finish to items such as packaging, labels, and invitations.

With a wide range of foil colors and finishes available, hot stamping offers versatility and sophistication. It's fast, efficient, and cost-effective for short to medium print runs, making it popular for premium branding and marketing materials.

TASK 3: BOOKS VS MOVIES

A (candidate):

You have read a book that was so fascinating you are telling everybody about it. Describe the book and recommend it to your best friend. Give arguments why one should read it.

B (examiner):

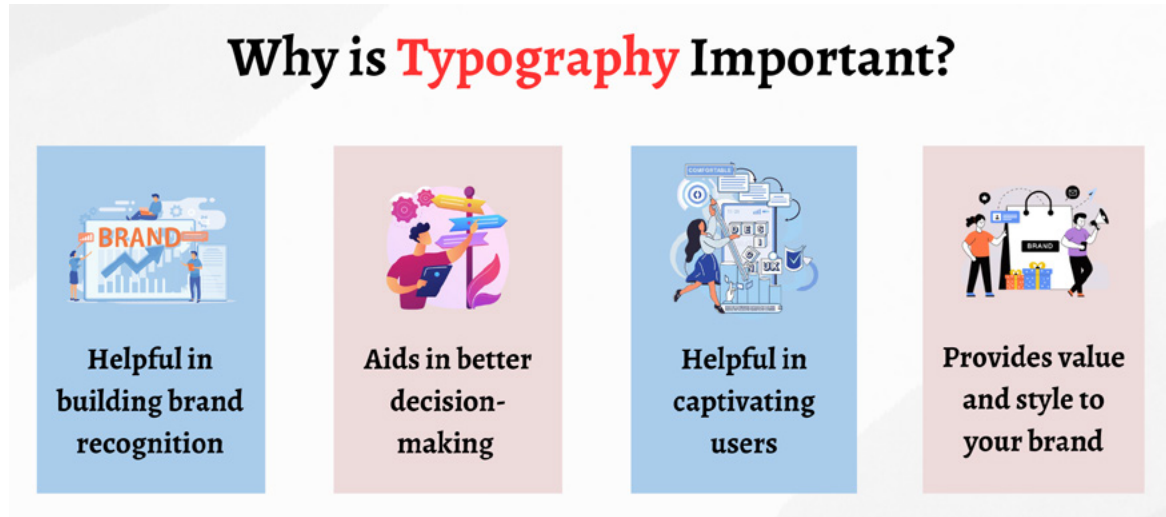
You are not very much into books and reading. You prefer films and video.





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Ergonomic devices play a crucial role in promoting comfort, safety, and efficiency in the workplace, particularly in printing environments. Adjustable chairs with lumbar support and ergonomic keyboards help maintain proper posture and reduce the risk of repetitive strain injuries among operators who spend long hours at computers or printing presses. Monitor stands and adjustable lighting fixtures enhance visibility and reduce eye strain. Specialized equipment such as lifting aids and material handling carts minimize physical strain when moving heavy paper reams or printing materials.

TASK 3: HOME MADE VS FAST FOOD

A (candidate):

You are talking to your friend, trying to persuade him/her to start preparing healthy meals at home. Describe your favourite dishes and explain how you make them.

B (examiner):

You are an overweight fast food lover who doesn't like cooking. That's why you have some health problems. Discuss eating habits with your friend.





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Adobe InDesign is a desktop publishing software primarily used for creating layouts for print and digital media. It offers powerful tools for designing and formatting documents such as brochures, magazines, books, posters, and more.

InDesign enables users to arrange text, images, graphics, and other elements on a page with precision and flexibility. It supports advanced typography features, including Kerning, tracking, and paragraph styles, making it ideal for creating professional-looking publications. Additionally, InDesign integrates seamlessly with other Adobe Creative Cloud applications like Photoshop and Illustrator, allowing for efficient workflow and collaboration in producing visually appealing designs

TASK 3: GOING TO THE CINEMA

A (candidate):

You are going to the cinema to see your favourite film and you invite your best friend to go with you, but he/she is reluctant. Describe the film and persuade your friend to go see it; give arguments why one should see it.

B (examiner):

You are invited to go to the cinema but you think you'll be bored.



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Offset lithography, commonly used for high-volume print runs, offers consistent, high-quality results suitable for a wide range of materials, including paper, cardboard, and plastic. Its indirect printing process involves transferring ink from a plate to a rubber blanket before applying it to the printing surface.

Digital printing, on the other hand, excels in short print runs and variable data printing. It offers quick turnaround times, cost-effective production, and the flexibility to print on-demand without the need for printing plates. However, it may lack the color accuracy and consistency of offset lithography for larger runs.

TASK 3: LIFE IN THE FUTURE

Are you looking forward to the life you will be living twenty years from now?

What new inventions and developments will the future bring to people? Think of the changes in your home, society, employment, science and entertainment.





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Vector graphics use mathematical equations to define shapes and lines, allowing them to be scaled infinitely without losing quality. They are composed of paths and points, making them ideal for logos, illustrations, and designs that require scalability.

Raster graphics, on the other hand, are composed of individual pixels arranged in a grid, and resizing them can lead to pixelation and loss of quality. They are suitable for photographs and detailed images but are resolution-dependent. Vector graphics are editable and easily modified, while raster graphics are fixed once created. Each type has its advantages, depending on the intended use and output requirements.

TASK 3: MOST IMPORTANT HUMAN ACHIEVEMENTS

In your opinion, what is the biggest and the most important achievement of mankind of all times? Describe the achievement and give arguments why you consider it the most important.





TASK 1

Discuss the topic represented in the picture with the examiner.



TASK 2

Discuss the text with the examiner and explain key vocabulary.

Hardware and software are two essential parts of a computer system. Hardware refers to the physical components you can touch, like the monitor, keyboard, mouse, and the computer's internal parts such as the processor, memory, and hard drive. These parts work together to make the computer run.

Software, on the other hand, is a set of instructions or programs that tell the hardware what to do. It includes the operating system (like Windows or macOS) that manages the computer's resources and other programs (like Microsoft Word or Photoshop) that users interact with to perform specific tasks. While hardware is tangible, software is intangible, existing as data stored on hardware.

TASK 3: TRAVELLING BY TRAIN OR BIKE

A (candidate):

You and your friend are going on a trip to the coast. You want to go by bicycle and your friend is opting for the train. Persuade your friend to take the bicycle.

B (examiner):

Your friend wants to go on holiday by bicycle but you are in favour of the train.



TASK 1

Discuss the topic represented in the picture with the examiner.



TASK 2

Discuss the text with the examiner and explain key vocabulary.

Digital printing revolutionized the industry with its flexibility and speed. It transfers digital files directly onto various substrates like paper and fabric, eliminating the need for printing plates. Ideal for short print runs and personalized materials, digital printing offers precise color matching and quick turnaround times. While it may not match offset lithography's cost efficiency for larger runs, its versatility makes it a preferred choice for many printing applications.

TASK 3: INVENTIONS THAT CHANGED OUR LIVES

In your opinion, what is the most important invention of all times?

Describe the invention and give some arguments why you consider it the most important.





TASK 1

Discuss the topic represented in the picture with the examiner.



TASK 2

Discuss the text with the examiner and explain key vocabulary.

Printing on mugs is a popular method for creating personalized gifts, promotional items, and branded merchandise. To print on mugs using sublimation, first, design your art and print the design onto sublimation transfer paper using a sublimation printer and ink. Then, wrap the printed transfer paper around the mug, ensuring the design is positioned correctly.

Place the mug in a heat press machine set to the appropriate temperature and time. The heat press applies heat and pressure, causing the sublimation ink to transfer from the paper to the mug's coating. Once the transfer process is complete, remove the mug from the heat press and allow it to cool before handling.

TASK 3: SPORTS

A (candidate):

You want to persuade your overweight friend to start living healthy by persuading him to take up a sport and giving him the arguments in support of healthy outdoor activities.

B (examiner):

You like watching movies and playing computer games and haven't been out in the fresh air for quite a while.





TASK 1

Discuss the topic represented in the picture with the examiner.



TASK 2

Discuss the text with the examiner and explain key vocabulary.

Offset lithography printing involves transferring ink from a plate to a rubber blanket, then onto the printing surface. This indirect method ensures consistent and high-quality prints, suitable for various materials such as paper, cardboard, and plastic.

Offset printing is widely used for magazines, newspapers, and packaging due to its cost-effectiveness and ability to produce sharp, detailed images.

TASK 3: GOING TO A CONCERT

A (candidate):

You are going to the concert and you invite your best friend to go with you, but he/she is reluctant. Describe the event and persuade your friend to attend the event with you. Give arguments why one should see it.

B (examiner):

You are invited to go to a concert but you think you'll be bored.

