

# Candidate 8 Study

## Part 2 — Work or Study

Read the two tasks below. Task 1 is work-related and Task 2 is study-related.

Attempt **ONE** task only.

Write the task number you have selected in the box at the top of page 05. Write your answer on the lined answer sheets on pages 05, 06 and 07.

### Task 2 — Study

Some schools have banned the use of mobile phones in the classroom, while others believe they are a positive learning tool.

Write a **formal essay**, explaining your view on mobile phones in school.

You should include some or all of the following points:

- distraction from classwork
- pupil safety
- internet access for research/translation
- developing digital skills
- medical reasons/emergencies

You may also add your own ideas.

You should write approximately 200–220 words.

Task Number

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I am writing this essay to discuss the topic of mobile phones in the classroom. This subject is very topical and affects many people. I will examine arguments for and against this topic and draw a conclusion based on facts presented.

Supporters of having mobile phones in classrooms believe that it is important to use if a task requires researching as it is an easy way to find ~~information~~ information. In addition to that, they also claim that some students may have a different first language other than English, and may need their phone to translate. Furthermore, they also believe that it can be used in emergencies or for medical reasons, they claim that they might have to call an ambulance for someone or search up CPR steps that may have to be used in emergencies.

However, people against the idea of having mobile phones in classrooms argue that, books can be used for research, they claim that it might be a ~~more~~ more difficult source to use, but is definitely more reliable. They also believe that it is a huge distraction from classwork, as if a student is using

their phone for research a notification might pop up which they argue that the student will get distracted and decide to use their phone for entertainment. Challenges of using mobile phones in class agree that it's against pupil safety. They claim that you can easily take pictures of other people to annoy them or ~~annoy~~ students could also search up something inappropriate to hurt someone else.

In conclusion, having a phone in a classroom can be helpful, but it could also affect pupils negatively. In my opinion, I would suggest that phones are switched off in pupils bags and can be used only in specific circumstances. I ~~am~~ also believe that, pupils should be allowed their phones at break and lunch time as they might have their bank card on their phone to use.