

WRITTEN PRODUCTION AND MEDIATION

TOPIC: MOBILE PHONE MANNERS

You read this introduction to an article in an online newspaper:

Hold on ... I just have to reply to this ... one second ... be right with you ... So, what were we talking about? Oh yes, the study from the Birmingham Food Fest which found we are so wedded to our mobiles that four out of 10 of us think nothing of using smartphones at dinner with our families.

Texting, using the internet, making calls and checking emails were apparently all deemed acceptable by many of the 2,000 people surveyed about their family's eating habits. Perhaps we shouldn't be surprised. After all, people now tweet and text during chats over coffee – and it's not uncommon to overhear people talking while on the toilet at work.

Adapted for this test from: <https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2012/jul/11/mobile-phone-manners>

TASK 2. MEDIATION

..... /12,5 points

You have approximately 20 minutes to complete this task.

You decide to write **a message** to a friend who is interested in this topic to tell them about what you have read.

You must write about the following points:

- Explain the information you have read.
- Tell them where the article says they can find more information about this.

Write between 60 and 70 words.

TASK 3. PRODUCTION

..... /12,5 points

You have approximately 45 minutes to complete this task.

You decide to write a **post** for your school **blog** about this issue.

You must write about the following points:

- Describe an incident with a mobile phone.
- Suggest (give advice) how to improve mobile phone manners .

Write between 150 and 180 words.

- ☐ You must write about all the points included in **tasks 2 and 3**.
- ☐ You must respect the word limit for each task.