

Has The Internet Made Teachers Redundant?

Question Analysis

'made teachers redundant': eliminated the need for teachers / made teachers unnecessary / rendered teachers obsolete / done away with the need for teachers / is now able to substitute teachers

In the 21st century, the Internet has radically transformed the educational landscape. Students now e_____ search engines for their research, turn to Youtube and ChatGPT for homework help, and can even have their questions answered on v_____ forums manned by real experts. The abundance of self-help resources on the Internet _____ [grammar] prompted some to question if the Internet has made teachers redundant. In my opinion, d_____ the plethora of materials available online, the Internet has certainly not e_____ the need for teachers. In fact, teachers play an i_____ (Book 3, pg 53) role which the Internet can never substitute.

To begin, the Internet has certainly not d_____ away with the need for teachers, who are essential in guiding students and motivating them. Not _____ students have a keen interest in learning, and there is always the boisterous young boy or rebellious ad_____ (Book 1, Pg 1) who may treat his studies with ind_____ (Book 2, pg 60; a lack of interest). For many of these students, the Internet alone serves _____ purpose as an educational tool, as students lack the will and discipline to utilise the r_____ available to them. Instead, what these students require are words of encouragement, if not admonishment, from a teacher. The student-teacher relationship is o_____ that is of paramount importance. This is because teachers, with their persistence and sincerity, are the ones _____ will ultimately transform indolent and lackadaisical students into i_____ (hardworking) and driven ones. In contrast, websites alone are unable to provide struggling learners with the necessary help, support and motivation. In fact, they might even serve to distract, _____ than direct. Hence, the Internet has not rendered teachers redundant, as teachers undeniably play a key r_____ in guiding and inspiring those under their care.

Secondly, teachers are still n_____ as they help instill the right values in students. Through their speech and actions, teachers d _ m _ _ _ _ _ exemplary behaviour which students can em_____ (Book 2, pg 28; copy). While watching children play and grow, teachers can also i _ _ _ _ _ (Book 3, pg 30; instill) in them values such as compassion, empathy and teamwork. This is something which the Internet c_____ do. In fact, the Internet is home to a host of inappropriate and ap _ _ _ _ _ (terrible) content, including violence and ra_____ (extremism). Young

and **imp**_____ (Book 2, pg 63) students who **i** _____ (Book 3, pg 55; *accidentally*) stumble upon these websites may feel confused, or may even be led astray. _____ the guidance of teachers, the Internet can in fact be more **de**_____ (Book 2, pg 62, *harmful*) than helpful. Hence, teachers are ultimately still needed to instill in students the right _____, so that they can grow up to be kind, thoughtful, and principled **i**_____.

Some may **a**_____ that the abundance of material online means that teachers are no longer needed in the classroom, as students can easily **e**_____ in independent learning. However, this is _____ true. For one, not everything on the Internet is **c**_____, and students need to be **t**_____ to read and think **c**_____. On the Internet, almost anyone can upload content or pass _____ as an expert, and it can be difficult for students to **d** _ **s** _____ (Book 3, pg 75; *differentiate*) credible sources _____ dubious ones. Amidst this vast sea of information, teachers play an ever-important role in equipping students _____ critical skills, such as the ability to **ev**_____ and ruminate on the content they have found. Information _____ serves no purpose, for it only becomes useful **k**_____ when it has been truly processed and understood. Therefore, the Internet has not made teachers redundant, as teachers are still needed to teach students to be **d**_____ readers (Book 3, pg 75; *demonstrating an ability to judge*).

In conclusion, the Internet has certainly _____ eliminated the need for teachers. Teachers have always, and _____ always play a key role in a child's development. While we hop on the **b**_____ of digitising learning, we must not forget the critical roles that teachers play.



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Answers

Introduction

employ, virtual, has, despite, eliminated, indispensable

Content Paragraph 1

done, all, adolescent, indifference, little, resources, one, who, industrious, rather, role

Content Paragraph 2

needed/necessary, demonstrate, emulate, inculcate, cannot, appalling, radicalism, impressionable, inadvertently, detrimental, values

Content Paragraph 3

argue, engage, not, credible, trained/taught, critically, off, discern, from, with, evaluate, alone, knowledge, discerning

Conclusion

not, will, bandwagon