**DYA – Type of Structure**

**Science and Technology undermines the youths. Do you agree?**

**Introduction**

* overview of the subjects – description of the subjects (do not try to define)
* link the subjects – provide an observation or trend or historical account
* set perspectives
* set your stand – may list your stand as one of the perspectives

**Main body**

1) Set perspective view 1: opposing view

2) Rebuttal: Prove why the opposing view is wrong

3) Set Perspective view 2:

* supporting point 1
* Supporting point 2
* Supporting point 3

**Conclusion**

Your summarized points and opinions with the focus on your rationality for agreement

**2) Extent of Agreement**

**We have bred a world of ‘little emperors and empresses.’ To what extent is this true?**

**‘Raising sport to an international level is the responsibility of the government.’ How far do you agree?**

**Introduction**

* Overview of the subjects – description of the subjects
* State that the proposition exists but the extent of development is subjected to debate
* Set an approach of examination on how the extent of agreement is to be examined

**Main body**

1. develop a causation or link

* identify how the causation occurs
* state the extent of the agreement to this point

1. conceptualize another link

3) If the causation is linked, the extent of agreement is direct and the conclusion on the essay is extensively agreeable.

4) If the causation is not linked, the extent of agreement is not direct and the conclusion on the essay is not agreeable.

Conclusion

The extent of agreement must be developed in accordance to the manner how the essay is evaluated. Provide an analysis of the discussion based on the areas of discussion.

**To what extent does science and technology make us less human?**

**Point 1: Agree with the proposition that science and technology make us less human – Psychology – undermine our capacity to become less emotional**

**Topic sentence:** For those who argue that science and technology make us less human, their rationale stems from the belief that the science and technology will create psychological impacts that shape us to be rational and mechanical (more robot-like).

**Point elaboration:** Technological advancement has enabled humans to disregard the need for intuitive thinking and instead placed greater emphasis on task-oriented behaviour. For example, the standardization of procedures and work repetition in heavy industries have caused humans to be accustomed to the monotony of work as there is no need for independent thinking and questioning of practices.

For those who are in the academic fields of science and technology, the emphasis on dialectical thinking has shaped the way humans behave. For example, academics will pose ‘yes’ or ‘no’ surveys, which encourages respondents to think like robots. Furthermore, there is a higher degree of mechanization and conformation through the machines and computer software we used which will reduce our sensibility as a human being.

**Extent of Agreement (EOA) 1: We still have the capacity to empathize and feel, which is part of human nature**

However, it can be argued that we still retain our sense of humanity as it is part of our human nature to express emotions and feel. Throughout the human civilization, humans are used to interacting with one another, such as the expression of emotions. It is an innate part of us to empathize with one another as it supports the instinctive nature to ensure the survival of our mankind. Therefore, science and technology has improved our understanding of the world, which accentuated our sense of empathy, rebutting the argument that we are less emotional.

**GCE A Level 8807 General Paper**

**Paper 1**

Answer **one** question.

Answers should be between 500 and 800 words in length.

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5. To what extent can any society claim to be great?

9. Is modern technology a benefit or a threat to democracy?

11. ‘In a free society, there should be no restrictions on freedom of speech.’ Discuss.

12. How far can prosperity and uncontrolled population growth go hand in hand?

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2. To what extent should income equality be a goal in your society?

4. Consider the view that social media has more influence than politicians.

5. Artificial intelligence can replace the role of humans. Do you agree?

10. Should both parents take equal responsibility for raising their children?

11. Assess the importance of food within Singaporean culture.

12. Can fiction teach us anything meaningful about the real world?