

Section 1:

#1 (First paragraph) Strengths:

- Opens with an engaging rhetorical question that draws readers in
- Introduces relevant everyday examples of smartphone usage

Weaknesses: Limited development → Your opening lacks depth as you jump quickly between different ideas without fully exploring them. The connection between blue light and deteriorating eyesight needs more details to be convincing. "This is unacceptable. We cannot have this" doesn't explain why.

I believe smartphones have become integral to our daily routines, from checking the weather to staying connected. However, the harmful effects of excessive screen time on our eyesight and wellbeing are concerning, as prolonged exposure to blue light can strain our eyes and disrupt our natural sleep patterns.

#2 (Second paragraph) Strengths:

- Uses vivid imagery with the "zombie" comparison
- Highlights the social impact of smartphone usage

Weaknesses: Unsupported claims → Your paragraph makes broad statements about "millions of people" and "fake stories" without showing specific examples. The repetitive phrases like "we never" weaken your argument rather than strengthen it.

People often spend hours scrolling through social media feeds mindlessly, choosing virtual connections over meaningful face-to-face interactions. This behaviour has created a concerning disconnect in our society, where genuine conversations have been replaced by silent scrolling.

#3 (Final paragraph) Strengths:

- Addresses the cognitive impact of technology
- Ends with a hopeful message for change

Weaknesses: Unclear reasoning → Your argument about AI making us "dumber" needs more development. The metaphor about the brain "shrinking" doesn't effectively support your point. The conclusion feels rushed with the sudden shift to "we will prevail."

Our increasing reliance on AI for everyday tasks and problem-solving is concerning. When we constantly turn to technology for answers instead of working through challenges ourselves, we miss valuable learning opportunities that help develop our critical thinking skills.

■ Your persuasive piece shows passion about an important topic, but needs stronger development of ideas. Each paragraph would benefit from more specific examples that readers can relate to. You could improve the first paragraph by focusing on one or two clear effects of smartphone usage instead of listing several briefly. Your second paragraph needs clearer links between social media use and its impact on face-to-face communication. The final paragraph requires better explanation of how AI dependency affects learning and thinking skills. Try to use more linking words between your ideas to help them flow better. Your conclusion could be stronger by suggesting practical steps for better smartphone use.

Score: 38/50

Section 2:

Are Smartphones making us dumber? This is ~~question~~ [a question] hundreds ask every minute of our life, but no one ~~bother~~ [bothers] answering it. So let me ask you. What do you think?

#1 ~~In my opinion, I thoroughly agree.~~ [I thoroughly agree.] We use smartphones in our day-to-day life, for weather, texting, and staying connected. But then, blue light deteriorates our eyesight, ~~making giving~~ [giving] us bad vision. And even if you use blue light blocking glasses, you then have Tik Tok and Facebook and Instagram, all of which we watch constantly. This is unacceptable. We cannot have this.

#2 Every few minutes, millions of people are doomscrolling, reading fake stories and watching fabricated videos. Our faces are always ~~in~~[on] screens, we never get a chance to talk face to face. ~~We never even talk to each other.~~ [We rarely communicate in person anymore.] People just stare mindlessly, like zombies, at their smartphones. We are always playing games, watching YouTube or scrolling Tik Tok. We don't make any time for each other. It is always just face in the phone; we never know what is happening around us.

#3 Finally, ~~people use less brain, more AI.~~ [people rely less on their own thinking and more on AI.] For so long now, people don't do homework, work, or even figure [out] how to beat videogames themselves. Now, people are always using AI to tell them how to do this, crack that, and beat this. We are literally getting dumber. Even if all the other points I mentioned weren't there, this is making us dumber, because our brain ~~no longer need~~ [no longer needs] to work, it is

just shrinking, and shrinking, getting smaller by the moment. But when we do our work honestly, we get smarter.

Smartphones are making us dumber, but we will prevail. We will use our Smartphones for the right thing, not the wrong.