

**Task - practise introduction skills**

- **Read the question. What is the task? Remember this needs to be highlighted in the introduction.**
- **Read the rest of the essay? How can you match the conclusion and the introduction?**
- **What are the key points in the topic paragraphs? Are there any points you want to mention in the introduction?**

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**YOUR INTRODUCTION**

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While there may be benefits to this technological revolution, there are also a number of potential dangers. Perhaps the most serious of these would be that if people rely on computers too much for communication, they could in fact begin to communicate less well. For example, if every member of a family had their own computer screen and smart phone, they might speak less and less often to one another and simply look at a screen. This would be serious because our ability to communicate is an essential part of our humanity.

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Now read the original introduction

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As we move into the twenty-first century, it is clear to see that we have become more and more dependent on computers and information technology. This technology now reaches into almost every area of our lives and it is easy to predict that this phenomenon is only going to grow, especially in the field of communication. My personal belief is that this presents a variety of dangers.

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### Key

The task is to discuss both what computer technology will be used for in the future and whether our dependency on it is positive or negative. Make sure you refer to "computer technology" "the future", "dependence" and make your opinion clear.

The conclusion refers to "not entirely positive" and "dangers". There should be something in the introduction to reflect this if you want your essay to be fully coherent.

Both main paragraphs refer to communication. This is something you could include in your introduction.