Students are becoming more and more <u>reliant on the Internet</u>. While the Internet is convenient, it has many <u>negative effects</u> and its use for <u>educational purposes should be restricted</u>. How far <u>do you agree</u> with this statement? (21- Memarzadeh)

Nowadays the Internet has become an essential part of our life, and everyone is benefiting from this unlimited source of information from one way or another. There are lots of people who believe that the emergence of the internet has a dramatically positive change on a student's life. Students do not have to spend so much time inside libraries, and a limited number of reference books do not stop them researching. However, the negative aspects of the Internet and its impacts on students has have come into spotlight recently, and it has become a hot topic among the critics.

It goes without saying that thanks to the Internet, students and researchers are not so far away from a huge source of information. Their requested data which is mostly free of charge <u>is</u> available by a click, but we should not disregard the drawbacks of availability of such <u>a</u> huge data and the benefits of big companies who make enormous amounts of money out of the Internet. Such companies monitor users <u>activities</u> to recognize their needs and interests, and based on those parameters, insensible pop-ups appear on his/her screen. This is considered <u>as</u> one of the most popular distractors for students, and unconsciously they may spend <u>hours</u> on those pages <u>for hours</u>.

Another demerit of the Internet that I think should be restricted for students is online games and social media pages. Those pages are so attractive that students usually do not recognize how much time they spent on them. They even reason that after hours of studying we need some time to be refreshed or we are just trying to be connected to our classmates or find new friends who are studying or working in the same field to build our networks which is suitable for our future career. But the true fact is that in most cases students are just wasting their time, not only do they not study but also due to lack of physical activity suffer from of obesity.

In conclusion, the internet just like every other phenomenon has lots of advantages and disadvantages, and it is on the users who can make the best of it. I personally do not agree with any kind of restrictions on the Internet for students, and consider it a clear violation of to students' freedom. I think that students are free to choose whatever they wish to read or see to real and any kind of blockage makes them to find a way to access their demands.