Earlier technological developments brought more benefits and changed the lives of ordinary people more than recent technological developments.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Thanks to the technological advances, we are now living in a world with a wide range of facilities turning our lives into an easier and more exciting one compared to what our ancestors had. While many argue that the new developments in technology have less impacts on the life of ordinary members of society, the opponents maintain that these advancements are more far-reaching. As faras I am concerned, I agree with the latter idea because of affordable price and easier usage.

<u>The</u> Inventions of <u>the</u> automobile, electricity or telephone were all technological breakthroughs in the history which made our life more comfortable, but the question is what percentage of the populace had access to these novel facilities. Considering the total number of products, cost of production and maintenance I can say that only a few <u>number of the</u> people could afford such luxurious products. In my country, Iran, for example, <u>a the</u> television was a super luxurious commodity not long time ago, let alone a telephone line or a personal vehicle. As recently as 10 years ago

By the invent_advent of the Internet, we gradually stepped in a new era where geographical distances were not an obstacle for a wide range of people from different social strata. Affordable prices besides a user-friendly manual paved the way for an acceptable number of users of such useful inventions. Smart phones and social media made_helped_even illiterate individuals learn the basics of new gadgets in a way that even many a grandparent today is connected to their loved ones via social media. Satellite receivers are so popular that people do not consider it a novel development anymore.

As indicated above, gone are the days when only elite could enjoy the technological advances. Undoubtedly, unlike what used to be in the past, people from all walks of life, nowadays can benefit from the latest achievements in science and technology. <u>As against/ as opposed to</u>