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Social networking can be too dangerous for young people and should only be available to adults.

Examiner: So, now we're going to have a short discussion. You've got one minute to take notes and prepare together for a two-minute discussion. Remember to listen, take turns and explain your opinions.

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Kelvin: So, shall I start first?

Melissa: Sure.

Kelvin: Yeah, so we need to discuss whether social networking can be dangerous for young people and whether they should be only available to adults. So, do you have any ideas?

Melissa: I disagree with that statement because I think young people can keep contact with old or new friends on their social network and it can develop their good relationships and it can increase their self-esteem.

Kelvin: Yeah, I see your points, but using social networking could be dangerous to young *peoples because many of them don't know how to keep their personal information safe, so some of my friends even put their mobile phone numbers on their Facebook, so I think *the criminals may use the information to *do some crime. What do you think?

Melissa: I see your point, but I think it can give the teenagers a chance to notice who is good and who is bad and to try to learn how to protect themselves from these guys.

Kelvin: That's a good point, but I think social networking could also be a platform *of cyberbullying, which means that someone may take some photos of others, and for sure it's not very good photos, and put it on the internet and let people laugh at them. So I think it could be very dangerous for the young people using social networking sites.

Melissa: You're right, but I think in the real world people can bully each other as well, so I think that it's not a big problem. And I think I disagree with that statement because I think young people can make friends on the social network and they can share things in their life to each other which can broaden their *eyesight.

Kelvin: That's true, yes. Social networking provides many benefits to young *peoples, I see that. But I think young people shouldn't be banned from using social networking sites but adults need to teach them the correct attitudes in using the social networking. That would be better, I think.

Melissa: Yeah, you're right, so which means in conclusion we both think social networking can be used and applicable for adults and teenagers.

Kelvin: Yes.

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