**Try to assess these texts in terms of CEFR levels!**

**TEXT A**

Threats to the environment in Poland

The aim of this report is to describe the greatest dangers for the natural environment in Poland.

One of the biggest sources of water pollution are fertilisers. Most of it with rain water floats from fields into rivers and further on into the Baltic Sea. Fertilisers are causing the overgrow of seaweed, which leads to lack of oxygen in the sea and extinction of a number of water species.

A solution to this problem could be the reduction of field manure and better agricultural education for farmers.

Slask is a region of Poland of the poorest air quality. High concentration of ashes and sulphur dioxide from factories is causing acid rains, which damage soil and all species of plants.

The solution, which is the installation of filters reducing the emission of harmful substances into the air, does not solve the problem. This is because of the fact that Slask is placed in one of the most industrialised regions of Europe and of strong winds that occur there and bring pollution from other countries and otherwise.

These are only few of the dangers for the environment in Poland. Many actions to solve this problem has already been taken but this is obvious that they will not have any bigger effect, unless the governments and average citizens cooperate.

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**TEXT B**

I must write to you because last week I saw a new film… in the cinema. I have gone with my friends to the cinema because I wanted to see the new film of my favorite director. He is George Lucas. The film takes place in the future. This is a sci-fi.

I know you hate the sci-fi but you have to see this film because it is very exiting and scaring.

I was afraid in the cinema because the film was rather noisy. You have to see in the cinema because you will not enjoy on TV. You have to invite somebody to the film because you will be afraid alone.

You can see a new planet, knights and lot of master. You have to see the film because you will like the music of the film.

Well that is all for now.

Love …

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**TEXT C**

I was greatly surprised when I heard that you are going to work overseas for such a long time.

You have to know that I will miss you, but I’m glad that you would like to keep in touch with your

relatives, especially your grandparents. It’s nice to hear that you ask my opinion about teaching them how to use the computer, so I tried to write down some important things, here it is.

As you know, electronic communication, such as e-mail or skype has advantages and disadvantages too.

About the advantages: if you want to tell something very important to somebody, you don’t need to go to the post office to send a letter and wait for days to get the answer, just access the Internet and that’s it. I know that there is an other option, which is a mobile phone, but what if the person switched it off? So, the Internet is fast, and you don’t have to pay so much money for it, e.g.: you can write an e-mail in an Internet caffe too. But on the other hand, it’s possible that the computer beaks down or catch a a virus, or there is no electricity in your town.

You can ask an important question: how these elderly people could learn the use of modern electronic devices? My answer is, that you should show them how to call people with a mobile phone (just press the green button) or write an e-mail with a computer. After it, it’s necessary to practise these two tasks before you have, to remember the method of calling a person or writing an e-mail. Of course you can write down the steps on a piece of paper, in this way they can make it without you.

In my opinion, teenagers use the computer usually, because with the help of the computer they can play computer games, listen to music, read an electronic book, chat with their friends and collect lots of imformation that is necessary because of a homework. I think that elderly people don’t use the computer usually, because they don’t care about it, they don’t have the skills in this modern world to use it, but there are some people of old age who want to learn how to use it. Because of this, we have to teach them to use it.

I think that a person can live without modern electronic devices, like our relatives in the past, but we live in a modern world and we have to keep steps with our technology, because if we not, we are going to be stupid people after a little time.

I hope that I could help you with my ideas, please let me hear from your grandparents after you leave. I look forward to hearing from you!

Best wishes, Klaudia

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**TEXT D**

A packet of crisps lying on the floor, a half-eaten pizza on the coffee table and lots of CDs, DVDs and video games all over the place, is all that parents see every time we get home from work. Although there was a time when parents used to worry about where their siblings would be, nowadays we are more concerned about the fact that our teenager children spend so much time at home.

But, why a generation who should be thinking about playing truant, spending all day with their friends and doing sports, decide to spend so many hours at home?

Here, we have to look at new technologies. Not only have they been crucial in the development of medicine or the motor industry but they have also led to a changing in youngsters' social lives. They are surrounded by so many devices that can entertain them that why should they leave home? While previous generations had just one TV set at home, two at the most, nowadays there is such a variety of options that teenagers would need a 25-hour day in order to enjoy their computers, cd players, dvd players, video games or mp3s -whatever they are.

However, is technology the one which has to be blame for that? I don't think so. First of all, parents have all the responsibility in this matter. After a tiring working day it is much easier to let children be educated by TV while we are having a bubble bath or drinking a cup of wine by the fireplace. But, hard as it might be, we should try to do things with them in order to develop a liking for sports and a healthy life, which would be so important in their future. Moreover, why not paying them the registration fee in a sports club, instead of buying a Playstation when they get good marks at school?

Lets do something before it is to late...

...oops! 7 p.m., time for my favourite TV programme, which I will watch for the next 3 hours while having dinner -I don't remember the last time we ate at the dining table!-, after TV maybe a bit of the Internet... Ouch, what an awful backache! I should join a gym,... next month perphaps..

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**TEXT E**

Learning foreign languages is necessary nowadays because the world works like an international community and it is important to know how to communicate with each other.

I come from Brazil and I speak portuguese as my native language. However I can speak a litle bit of spanish as well.

First of all foreign languages can be very useful when you are abroad on holidays and when you need to speak with people from other nationalities. Secondly the Internet have information in all kinds of languages but most of it is in english and also is good to have friends in other countries and try to communicate with them by email. Finally if you want to work in the business sector or in many others like tourism you must know at least others languages apart from your own.

But not all is perfect. Even that learning is so important, it is not easy to become a master in a language or to start speaking fluently. What is more, is difficult to maintain a lot of new things in your head especially when you are young (I know this because I'm 16). Other thing that is important to raise is that the costs to learn another language are very expensive therefore is not everybody that can afford it.

I think it is very important to learn a different language because will help you a lot in the future when you are looking for a job. It's also a good idea to start learning when you are young when you don't need to worry with adult things like: bills, job, house etc and is very interesting to learn other cultures and customs from other countries.

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**TEXT F**

Thank you for your letter. …It was wonderful to hear from you again. I like to run and we can run in the park every day. But we can travel to the village and we can run on the meadow at the weekend.

I think you will feel good in my town because you like to do sport. We have to go in the new sporthall because I want to show a new football field to you.

I like to watch the football game on the TV but I have visited the basketball match. I play in the volleyball team of the town. I like to swim in Balaton in my freetime. I enjoy the sport and I want to life on healthy.

You can find tennis field, swimming pool, a lot of gym in the town. You can run in the park and you will injoy because there are fresh air. I would like to run with you and we can run on the meadow close to town.

I hope we will fell good in sommer. Wriete me soon. Love …