

ENGLISH CONVERSATION CLASS ADVANCED LEVEL 16/06/2025-20/06/2025

TOPIC: Gen Z feels the weight of social distraction

Watch this video and answer the questions: https://youtu.be/PLfxDN4DzIE?si=yr-Wjaa8BaH9tA1n

1. What does the speaker imply about Victor Hugo's decision to give away his clothing?

- A) He wanted to punish himself for procrastinating.
- B) He sought to escape society entirely.
- C) He created a condition in which distractions were impossible.
- D) He wanted to inspire other writers to be more disciplined.

2. According to the speaker, how does today's digital distraction differ from Hugo's distractions?

- A) Today's distractions are external rather than internal.
- B) Distractions now are no longer avoidable.
- C) Hugo was distracted by technology, whereas we are not.
- D) Modern distractions come from within and are ever-present.

3. What rhetorical purpose does the phrase "a civilizational scream" serve in the speech?

- A) It exaggerates the situation to make it humorous.
- B) It diminishes the significance of personal struggles.
- C) It underscores the widespread and urgent nature of the issue.
- D) It criticizes Generation Z for being too dramatic.

4. What contrast does the speaker draw between Hugo's time and the present?

- A) In Hugo's time, people embraced distractions as part of life.
- B) Hugo could control his distractions, but we are controlled by them.
- C) Both Hugo and modern people suffer equally from distractions.
- D) Modern distractions are more social than individual.

5. Why does the speaker mention the 81% statistic about Generation Z?

- A) To argue that most young people dislike digital devices.
- B) To highlight a shared generational sentiment about over connection.

- C) To prove that digital technology is objectively harmful.
- D) To show that Hugo's solution is outdated.

6. What is the intended meaning of the metaphor "melting us into a mediocre lump"?

- A) Digital tools are lowering our standards and originality.
- B) People are becoming physically lazier.
- C) The population is growing more uniform in opinion.
- D) Work is now more difficult and frustrating.

7. What does the speaker suggest about the concept of restraint?

- A) It is outdated in the modern era of connectivity.
- B) It is necessary for survival in a digital society.
- C) It is a luxury few can afford.
- D) It is a powerful method for reclaiming focus and freedom.