

# ΦΥΛΛΟ ΕΡΓΑΣΙΑΣ 1

## 1η ΔΡΑΣΤΗΡΙΟΤΗΤΑ

Fill in the gaps in the following text (1 – 5) with the correct word from the box (A –E) to complete their meaning. Use each word only once.

A. crack down	B. tethered	C. Hold	D. Endorsing	E. cites
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"In California, a high school teacher complains that students watch NetFlix on their phones during class. Educators say students routinely send messages, listen to music and shop online, among countless other examples of how smartphones distract from teaching and learning.

The \_\_\_\_\_ (1) that phones have on adolescents in America today is well-documented, but teachers say parents are often not aware to what extent students use them inside the classroom.

James Granger, requires students in his science classes at high school to place their phones in "a cellphone cubby" with numbered slots. "The only solution that works is to physically remove the cellphone from the student."

Most schools already have rules regulating student phone use, but they are enforced sporadically. A growing number of leaders at the state levels have begun \_\_\_\_\_ (2) school cellphone bans.

In Utah, Gov. Spencer Cox, last month urged all school districts to remove cellphones from classrooms. He \_\_\_\_\_ (3) studies that show learning improves, distractions are decreased, and students are more likely to talk to each other if phones are taken away. "We just need a space for six or seven hours a day where kids are not \_\_\_\_\_ (4) to these devices," Cox told reporters.

Last year, Florida became the first state to \_\_\_\_\_ (5) on phones in school. A law that took effect in July requires all Florida public schools to ban student cellphone use during class time. Some districts went further and banned phones the entire school day."

## 2η ΔΡΑΣΤΗΡΙΟΤΗΤΑ

Match the words in Column A (1 to 5) with definitions on Column B (A to E)

Column A	Column B
1. Hold	A. Bind, chain
2. Endorse	B. Support, approve of
3. Cite	C. Controlling force or influence
4. Tether	D. Mention in support of argument
5. Crack down	E. Take severe measures

## 3η ΔΡΑΣΤΗΡΙΟΤΗΤΑ

Read the following text carefully

"Many states have also recently introduced what is becoming known as "phone-free schools" legislation. Some U.S. senators introduced legislation in December that would require a federal study on the effects of cellphone use in schools on students' mental health and academic performance.

Nationally, 77% of U.S. schools say they **prohibit (1)** cellphones at school for non-academic use, according to the National Center for Education Statistics. But that number is **misleading (2)** It does not mean students are following those bans or all those schools are enforcing them. "Cellphone use is out of control. By that, I mean that I cannot control it, even in my own classroom," said Patrick Truman, who teaches at a Maryland high school that forbids student use of cellphones during class. It is up to each teacher to enforce the policy, so Truman bought a 36-slot caddy for storing student phones. Still, every day, students hide phones in their laps or under books as they play video games and check social media. A study last year from Common Sense Media found that 97% of kids use their phones during school hours,

The Phone-Free Schools Movement, an **advocacy (3)** group formed last year by concerned mothers, says policies that allow students to keep phones in their backpacks, as many schools do, are ineffective. "If the bookbag is on the floor next to them, it's **buzzing (4)** and **distracting (5)** and they have the temptation to want to check it," said Kim Whitman, a co-founder of the group, which advises schools to require phones be turned off and locked away all day."

**Match each underlined words from the text above (1 –5) to phrase in the box (A -E)**

	Meaning		Your answer
A.	Deceptive, tending to confuse		
B.	Phone call		
C.	Prevent concentration		
D.	Supporting publicly		
E.	Forbid by law		

#### 4η ΔΡΑΣΤΗΡΙΟΤΗΤΑ

**Answer the following questions in full sentences based on both texts**

1. What is the problem discussed?
2. What is the profession of the people expressing their opinion?
3. Why is the problem of cell phones important?
4. Select one profession used and what do they suggest as a solution
5. What are the similarities and differences of solutions?
6. Are the students' opinions considered in the text?

#### 5η ΔΡΑΣΤΗΡΙΟΤΗΤΑ

Fill in the following table based on the information given in 4<sup>th</sup> exercise on the suggested methods by different groups of people, find the common points of groups and display the common point on the handling of distraction caused by cell phones at school.

	Interest Group	Suggested way of handling	Group with Similar Ideas
	Parents		
	Teachers		

	Politicians		
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Work in pairs to create a Venn diagram by using <https://spark.adobe.com/make/posters/?ef> or any other program like Google sheets. Then upload your file in pdf format to e-class by the designated date and time

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