

# Word building: Evaluating adjectives Technology - now and then Answers



# TECHNOLOGY

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**1**

**unimportant: insignificant, trivial, irrelevant, minor**

**useless: ineffective, worthless, inadequate**

**valueless: insignificant, worthless, useless**

**harmless: safe**

**2**

### **Possible answers**

**important: crucial, vital, essential, key**

**useful: practical, helpful, effective**

**valuable: invaluable, worthwhile, useful**

**harmful: damaging, destructive, detrimental**

**3**

**1 useless**

**2 impractical**

**3 unimportant**

**4 unnecessary**

**5 insignificant**

**6 harmless**

**7 valueless**

**8 inconvenient**

**9 ineffective**

**10 unappealing**

**11 worthless**

**12 uninspiring**

**4**

**1 impractical**

**2 (an) effective (solution)**

**3 convenient**

**4 worthwhile**

**5 (a) harmless (activity)**

**6 inspiring**



# Review

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- 1 Having advanced computer skills is unnecessary for all workers.
- 2 Traveling daily to an office is inconvenient for modern workers.
- 3 Inventions like the radio and TV are often seen as unimportant by some people.
- 4 Using computers for long periods of time is definitely harmful.
- 5 I think having knowledge of computer programming is invaluable.
- 6 The changes in the sales figures were insignificant.
- 7 In my opinion, the software training was ineffective.
- 8 Doing the language games on the computer was certainly worthwhile.
- 9 It is impractical to have everyone studying the same subjects at university.
- 10 The lecture on technology in the workplace was uninspiring.

