GWT Practice Topic #7

Portable Electronic Communications

With cell phones, pads, tablets, and laptop computers with wireless connections, we can be connected to our jobs, our families, and our friends 24 hours a day, seven days a week. We are connected wherever we are, whatever we are doing. We can conduct business while washing clothes, talk to a friend while shopping, discuss plans for surgery at the airport lounge. Does this electronic lifestyle make us more efficient? Does it make us happier? Does it cause more stress?

In a well-organized essay answer the following question:

Are there times when we should just turn off our devices and be out of touch? Or does this level of access benefit our work, families, and friendships?

Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of being connected 24 hours a day, seven days a week and come to a conclusion on whether we are better or worse off with this increased level of access to one another. Support your ideas with specific details from your own experience.