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Comment [KD8]: Claim restated

8 th Grade Argument: SAGE Writing Rubric Scores	
Statement of Purpose/Focus and Organization	2
Evidence/Elaboration	2
Conventions/Editing	2

This essay makes an argument, but often drifts to descriptions of perceived problems with technology rather than focusing on the benefits of "Shut Down Your Screen Week." It has a very basic organizational structure, including an ineffectively formulaic introduction and conclusion. No counterclaim is clearly addressed in the text. The essay makes use of rudimentary transitions between paragraphs ("My first reason why...") and some internal transitions within paragraphs to indicate the text structure and organization.

The essay refers to evidence from the passage set but does not cite the sources. In some cases, evidence is used erroneously. The essay makes some attempts at elaboration, but relies more on background knowledge than information from the passage set. The essay deploys some academic vocabulary ("multiple") and domain-specific vocabulary ("accessibility"), but does not achieve a formal tone or style appropriate to the audience.

While editing errors are evident, they do not rise to the level of obscuring the meaning of the text.