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Score and Description

Extensive

Responses at this level provide an opinion about whether the problem of tech trash will be difficult to solve and explain the answer using two references to the article.

- I don't think the problem of tech trash will be difficult to solve at all. I think if all the people hear how harmful tech trash can be to their own health they will understand and be helpful recycling their old computers. Now that companies are building computers less likely to harm the environment the general public will understand and do their best to help.
- I believe tech trash will take a while to solve. First, the highly damaging chemicals inside today's technology have been going into landfills for a long time. Second, is because of people's involvement. Not a lot of people are going to willingly take the time to recycle their technology.

Essential

Responses at this level provide an opinion about whether the problem of tech trash will be difficult to solve and explain the answer using one reference to the article.

- Yes, it will be because the author says we're throwing away 12 million computers.
- No, I don't think tech trash will be difficult to solve because I feel that people will be more likely to buy a recycled, cheaper computer than a new expensive one.

Partial

- a) Responses at this level provide information from the article related to the question but do not connect this information to an opinion.
 - We throw away 12 million computers a year.
 - RePC is helping turn e-waste into e-gold.

OR

- b) Responses provide an opinion but refer generally to the article.
 - No, because it's quite easy to collect things (old) to make into new things.
 - Tech trash is not difficult to solve because all you have to do is recycle as much as possible.
 - If everyone gets involved, then it will not be as complicated because more people are helping.
 - It will be hard to solve, because you have to spread the word around to so many people.
 - No, because if all people start fighting e-waste by not throwing away old computers then there won't be a problem to solve.

Unsatisfactory

Responses at this level provide incorrect information, irrelevant details, or unsupported personal opinions. Responses may simply repeat the question.

- I think no because we should recycle most trash.
- Well for some people it will be difficult but for some it will be easy.
- Yes, because people don't listen.
- I think yes, because people don't care about the environment.

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