

SMART GUIDE TO IDEAS FORWRITING TASK 2

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Advertising

Questions for IELTS Writing Task 2

- 1. Some people say that advertisements are not good because it encourages us to buy things we don't really need. Others say that advertisements are good because it informs us about new products that can improve our lives. Which viewpoint do you agree with and why? Include specific details and examples to support your choice.
- 2. In your own opinion, do you think that advertisements are informative? Why or why not? Give specific reasons and examples to support you answer.
- 3. Some believe that there are too many advertisements in the internet, radio and television and that even the contents of shows and news articles become advertisements themselves. To what extent do you agree or disagree to this statement? Provide suggestions to address the situation. Give specific examples to explain your answer.
- 4. More people now buy products that they do not need because they are persuaded by advertising. To what extent do you agree or disagree? Give specific reasons and examples to support your opinion.

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Advertising = Advantages

- Advertising is a critical component of today's business.
- It is necessary for businesses to inform clients about their products and services.
- Advertisements enlighten us about the options available to us.
- Advertising is a creative sector that employs a large number of individuals.

- If we did not have advertising, we would have less options.
- The unemployment rate would be higher if there was no advertising.
- Advertising is a type of contemporary art.
- Advertisements are well-liked by the public.

Advertising = Drawbacks

- Advertising has the ability to manipulate people.
- This type of marketing focuses on convincing individuals that purchasing a product will make them happier.
- Advertisers are primarily concerned with marketing a brand image.
- They employ glamorous and accomplished individuals.
- We currently live in a consumer-oriented society.
- We have been convinced to follow the most recent fashion.
- We are persuaded to associate particular brands with a greater social rank than we otherwise would.
- Advertisers frequently target youngsters with their marketing.
- Advertisements have the ability to readily impact children.
- Children put pressure on their parents to purchase items for them.

Opinions on the Advertising Industry

- Advertising should be subject to strict regulations.
- Advertising directed towards minors should be strictly regulated, if not outright prohibited.
- Healthy foods should not be marketed in a way that is likely to appeal to children. o
- Products that may pose a health concern should be labelled with warnings.
- Cigarette commercials on television are prohibited in some nations, for example.
- Cigarette packs must be labelled with safety warnings.
- Advertising, on the other hand, is necessary in free market economies.
- It stimulates the demand for goods and services.

• government should only restrict misleading information or products that are dangerous to the public's health

Animals

- 1. Why do we need to prevent the extinction of some animals like dinosaurs and dodos if it is caused by natural processes? What is your opinion about this? People produce more garbage than in the past. Explain how it is affecting us and the measures that could be taken to address the situation. Provide specific examples and explanation to support your answer.
- In modern times, some species of animals are slowly disappearing. Do you think that it is acceptable l for species to become extinct? What are the possible reasons and consequences of this extinction? Provide reasons and examples to explain your opinion.
- 3. Some companies spend a lot of money on scientific research and use animals for testing. Many argue that this is for a just cause while others say otherwise. Do the advantages of using animals in research outweigh its disadvantages? Support your answer with specific reasons and examples.

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Justifications for Using Animals in Research

- Animals are used in essential scientific research projects, such as cancer studies.
- It is vital to conduct medical trials on new medications.
- Animal testing contributes to the advancement of medical and scientific knowledge and the development of medicinal breakthroughs
- A large number of significant medical breakthroughs were made through animal experiments.
- Researchers strive to reduce the amount of pain that animals go through.
- Cosmetics industry testing is currently prohibited in several

nations, including the United States.

• Some medical or scientific studies cannot be performed on humans due to ethical considerations.

Arguments in Opposition to Animal Testing

- The benefits of animal experimentation do not outweigh the misery that the animals endure.
- It is cruel if it is done just for the sake of publishing papers.
- There are various research approaches available.
- In the majority of circumstances, computer simulation can be used.
- Animals' life should be respected at all times.
- It is unethical for humans to experiment on animals for the sake of science.

Arguments in Favor of Vegetarian Eating

- Vegetarians do not consume foods that are derived from the slaughter of animals.
- For moral or health reasons, many people opt to follow a vegetarian diet.
- It is feasible to have a healthy diet without consuming meat.
- It is not required to slaughter animals for food.
- A vegetarian diet may lower the risk of developing diseases such as cancer.
- A large number of people are concerned about the treatment of animals on factory farms.

Arguments in Opposition to Vegetarianism

- Vegetarians do not consume a nutritionally balanced diet
- Meat is the primary element in traditional meals in many cultures.
- Some meat eaters believe that animals are lower on the food chain than humans.
- Killing them for food is a very natural occurrence for us.

- Improving farming systems should be our ultimate goal.
- Organic food should be produced on farms.

Zoos have a number of advantages.

- Zoos serve a vital role in the conservation of wild animals.
- They can contribute to the conservation of endangered species.
- Zoos provide an opportunity for scientists to study animals and their behaviour.
- Zoos are instructive, intriguing, and entertaining places to visit.
- Learning about animals is very enjoyable for children.
- Zoos offer employment options.

Zoos have a number of disadvantages.

- Zoo animals are confined in cages or other artificial enclosures.
- They are confined in cages or have limited area to roam.
- Zoo animals rely on humans for survival.
- They are deprived of the right to search for food
- The most effective method of saving endangered species is to protect their natural habitats.
- Some people consider that zoos are unethical places to visit.
- Zoos exhibit animals with the intent of making money off of them.
- We have no right to exploit animals for our own amusement or financial gain.

Cities

- 1. Some people prefer to live in a quiet place, such as the countryside. Others prefer to live in a big city. Which place do you prefer to live in and why? Use specific reasons and examples to support your opinion.
- 2. According to some people, living in a big city is not as good for families as living in a small town. To what extent do you agree or disagree? Give specific reasons and examples to support your opinion.
- 3. Should buildings in cities be expanded without restrictions or should their size be limited to a certain extent? Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of this limitation. Provide specific reasons and examples to support your opinion.
- 4. Young people prefer living in big cities. What will this tendency lead to? Suggest reasons and results of this trend. Provide specific reasons and examples to support your answer.

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Factors Influencing Urbanization

- People relocate to urban areas in pursuit of better employment prospects.
- Cities provide more work opportunities and a higher level of living than rural areas.
- People move from the countryside to urban areas in large numbers.
- Traditional occupations such as farming require fewer personnel today than they did in the past.

The Drawbacks of City Living

- There are certain disadvantages to living in a city.
- The expense of living is higher in urban regions than it is in rural areas.
- Some individuals are unable to find employment.
- Housing is typically significantly more expensive.
- Homelessness and poverty are prevalent in urban areas.
- There is a disparity between the rich and the poor.
- Living in a city may be a very stressful experience.
- There are issues such as traffic congestion or traffic jams, as well as crimes.
- There is a lack of a sense of belonging in cities.
- People do not even know who their next-door neighbour is (s)
- Cities have been referred to as "concrete jungles" on occasion.

Areas for Pedestrians

- Local ecology can be improved by establishing pedestrian zones in the city centre.
- People are more likely to walk or cycle if vehicles are prohibited.
- Bicycle lanes have been constructed in a number of European cities.
- Reliance on automobiles is associated with health concerns such as obesity.
- People who walk or cycle regularly tend to be in better physical health.
- For both inhabitants and tourists, pedestrian-friendly zones are safer and more appealing.

Crime

- 1. Nowadays you can find instructional videos for just about any crime you can think of. What possible effects can this have on individuals and society? Provide specific reasons and examples to support your answer.
- 2. In your own opinion, how can the government of each country eradicate or lessen the crimes committed by their own people? Use specific reasons and details to support your answer.
- 3. Some people think that with combined effort on the part of the government and society crime can be completely eradicated, while others argue that this is completely hypothetical and that crime has always been present in societies even in ancient times. Compare these two views. Which do you agree with? Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.
- 4. Crime is a growing problem on a global scale. Some think that crime prevention rather than punishment is the key to solve the problem. To what extent do you agree or disagree? Give specific reasons and examples to support your position.
- 5. Special programs for social integration and help are better alternatives than harsher prison sentences for minor crimes. Do you support or oppose this opinion? Explain your position.

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The Department of Police and Crime Prevention

• It is the responsibility of the police to apprehend criminals.

- They must also take steps to reduce crime and make communities safer in general.
- A greater number of police officers should be stationed on the streets, according to the report.
- Police personnel should be perceived as members of the community rather than as a separate entity.
- They should be involved in the education and prevention of drug use and abuse
- The police should maintain close touch with educational institutions.
- They should concentrate their efforts on students who have dropped out of school.
- These teenagers may become affiliated with gangs as they grow older.

Punishments/Prisons

- Fines are employed as a form of punishment for small infractions.
- If the crime is of a more serious nature, the most typical punishment is imprisonment
- Some criminals are a danger to society as a whole.
- They are imprisoned in order to protect the safety of the general public.

Prisons Have Their Drawbacks

- A group of criminals is assembled
- In addition, they form friendships with other offenders
- A large number of offenders reoffend after being freed.
- Having a criminal record makes it more difficult to find work.

Rehabilitation

- Prisons also have the goal of rehabilitating inmates.
- Prisoners are provided with educational and vocational training.

- Prisoners should be taught personal skills as well as job-specific abilities.
- Punishment has the potential to make inmates' behaviour worse.
- Rehabilitation is intended to help them become better citizens.
- Rehabilitated inmates are less likely to commit crimes again.

Capital Punishment

- Proponents of capital punishment claim that it deters criminal activity.
- People refrain from committing crimes because they are afraid of the death sentence.
- The death penalty sends a message that crime will not be tolerated.
- It is a sort of retaliation
- The financial burden of jail is avoided
- It is not permitted for the criminal to constitute a threat to others.

Against the Imposition of Capital Punishment

- Innocent persons may be wrongfully convicted and sentenced to death.
- There is no guarantee that crime rates will decrease.
- A large number of criminals believe they will not be caught.
- The use of the death penalty is not a good deterrence.
- Prisoners being executed fosters a violent environment and invites retaliation.
- We do not have the authority to take another human life.

Volunteering in the Community

- Community service is an effective method of rehabilitating convicts.
- It has the potential to be a solution to jail congestion.
- It saves the taxpayers the expense of jail.
- It enables prisoners to contribute to their local communities.

- They are obliged to clean streets or speak to groups of schoolchildren.
- Offenders give back to their communities
- They avoid the harmful impact that incarceration can have on their lives.
- Against Volunteering in the Community
- Completing community service does not constitute a suitable punishment.
- Criminals should be imprisoned and separated from their victims.

Media Coverage of Crime

- Crime is one of the most frequently discussed topics in news programmes.
- Violent and dramatic crimes dominate the attention of the media.
- As a result, the general public is filled with fear of crime.
- Stories that are sensational garner a greater number of viewers or readers.
- In order to expand their audience, news organisations report crime stories.

Education

- 1. Nowadays computer education is compulsory for your learners in most schools. Do you think this is necessary or will children acquire these skills naturally from their daily interaction with technology everywhere? Provide your opinion and use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.
- 2. Some people believe that children should do organised activities in their free time while others believe that children should be free to do what they want to do in their free time. Which viewpoint do you agree with? Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.
- 3. Some people think that a person improves intellectual skills better when doing group activities. To what extent do you agree? Use specific details and examples to explain your view.
- 4. Compared to the past, more people are now studying abroad because it is more convenient and cheaper than before. Do you think this is beneficial to the foreign student's home country? Use specific reasons and examples to support your opinion.
- 5. Some people think that children should be homeschooled when they are very young while others think it is better for them to attend a kindergarten. Which do you think is better? Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.

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Education Has a Lot of Advantages

- Education provides people with information and abilities.
- People who have a qualification are more likely to be employed.
- They have the potential to earn a greater wage.
- They have the potential to make a constructive contribution to

society

- Schools strive to instil moral qualities in children and adolescents, such as tolerance and sharing.
- Schools prepare students to be productive members of society.

The Advantages of Studying Abroad

- Courses offered by foreign institutions may be of higher quality.
- Numerous students desire to attend a top institution of higher learning.
- The greatest colleges hire professors who are recognised as experts in their specialties.
- Education and training received overseas can open the door to more favourable employment options.
- Students' horizons can be broadened by living in a foreign country.
- Students studying abroad are exposed to a variety of other cultures and practises.
- They grow more self-sufficient.
- They are in charge of the cooking, cleaning, and payment of the bills.
- They will gain knowledge of a foreign language.

Studying Abroad Has Its Drawbacks

- It can be challenging to live and study in a foreign country.
- The paperwork associated with visa applications is a source of frustration for students.
- The difficulty in communicating in another language can be a hindrance.
- Students must find and pay for their own housing and utility expenses.
- It is difficult to learn a foreign language while studying.
- It is possible to become homesick when living alone in a foreign society.

Advantages of Using Technology in Education

- Technology may be an extremely effective tool for engaging kids.
- Using technology to make lessons more exciting is a good idea.
- Students can do research through the use of online resources.
- Students are free to study in their own homes.
- Adults can enrol in courses through distance learning.
- Students have the freedom to study whenever and wherever they wish.
- Furthermore, students learn abilities that will be beneficial to them in their future careers.
- For example, kids learn how to prepare reports with the help of a word processing programme.

Disadvantages of Using Technology in Education

- People place an excessive amount of reliance on computers.
- Young learners do not acquire proficient in some fundamental skills as they progress through their education.
- Because they utilise word processors, their spelling may be compromised.
- It is essential that people have the capability of handwriting letters.
- There is no alternative for a real instructor in this day and age.
- Learners require a course that is well-organized.
- An experienced teacher knows which materials to use in the classroom.
- Computers are expensive to maintain and can be erratic in their performance.

Opinions on the Use of Technology in Education

- In addition to traditional teaching methods, educational institutions should make use of technological resources.
- Technological advancements have become a part of everyday life.
- It can improve the quality of a teacher's lessons.

- Students can access internet tools to assist them with their schoolwork.
- Students must continue to learn how to write by hand.
- Traditional sources of information, such as books, should continue to be used by these individuals.

Education in Developing Countries: Issues and Challenges

- Children are frequently required to work from a young age.
- A large number of communities lack educational opportunities.
- No access to books or computers for families is a major problem.
- Literacy rates are frequently below the national average.
- Knowledge and skills are required by people living in developing countries.
- Education is the key to boosting the economies of these developing nations.
- Education in Developing Countries: Challenges and Opportunities
- By offering financial assistance, developed countries could assist underdeveloped countries.
- They may make investments in education and technology.
- They might provide the finances for the construction of schools and the compensation of instructors.
- Children must have access to free educational opportunities.
- Computer equipment could be provided as a gift.
- A wealth of knowledge and information may be made available to kids through the Internet.
- Education should be made mandatory for all children by the governments.
- It is important that they urge parents to enrol their children in school.
- government officials from both developed and developing countries must collaborate

Higher education has a number of advantages

• There are numerous advantages to attending college or university.

- With a degree, you can increase your chances of finding better job.
- The knowledge-based economy is becoming increasingly important in today's society.
- The majority of professions necessitate specific knowledge and abilities.
- Information technology and engineering businesses, for example, require highly skilled personnel.
- Machines are now used to perform repetitive manual tasks.
- A large number of factories have relocated to emerging countries.

Aspects of higher education that are disadvantageous

- A diverse pool of workers is required for a successful economy.
- There will always be a demand for some manual labourers.
- It is not necessary to have a university degree in many service-related fields.
- In some businesses, practical training is more vital than theoretical training.
- To give you an example, there is now a scarcity of plumbers in the United Kingdom.
- As a result, their services are becoming increasingly pricey.

Benefits of home-schooling is that

- Some parents choose to teach their children at home rather than sending them to school.
- Some families live in remote places with limited access to public transportation.
- Other parents are dissatisfied with the quality of the local schools.
- Parents can respond to their children's needs and the ways in which they learn best.
- One-on-one lessons allow for significantly faster growth.
- The child has the ability to work at his or her own speed.
- Homeschooling helps to prevent discipline issues from arising.

Homeschooling has a number of disadvantages.

- The majority of parents do not have the time to teach their children in their own homes.
- One of the parents would have to give up their job.
- School disciplines are typically taught by a group of up to 10 distinct instructors.
- Most parents lack the required expertise and resources to raise their children.
- Private tutors are prohibitively pricey.
- Children will be deprived of the social opportunities that school provides them.
- Children learn how to get along with their classmates while at school.
- Children that are homeschooled may be lacking in social skills.
- Schools provide a more comprehensive overall educational experience.

Bad behaviour in schools: What are the root causes?

- The absence of structure and discipline is the root cause of bad behaviour.
- There are an excessive number of youngsters in some classrooms.
- Large groups of students are tough to manage.
- It is possible that disruptive students come from a home with a history of instability.
- Other parents are overly indulgent and damage their children's development.
- Some children are accustomed to receiving whatever they desire.
- If parents do not support their children's education, schools can do very little.

Bad Behavior in Schools: What to Do About It

• Schools require a well defined code of behaviour.

- Schools require a clearly defined set of regulations governing student behaviour.
- They must cultivate a favourable working environment for their employees.
- Teachers must be given the authority to discipline unruly students.
- Schools should exclude youngsters who are difficult to teach from classes.
- Schools and parents must work together to achieve success.
- It is possible that there is a lack of discipline at home.
- Parents are expected to support the school's policies.
- They should accept full responsibility for their children's actions and decisions.

Corporal Punishment: A Point of View

- Corporal punishment is not a good idea in any situation.
- Physical punishment is a method of disciplining children by instilling fear in them.
- This does not help to build trust between adults and young children.
- Children who are physically punished may grow shy or angry as a result of their experience.
- Corporal punishment produces an atmosphere of fear and rage in the recipient of the punishment.

The Benefits of Single-Gender Education

- There are some who believe that male and female pupils should be educated in separate institutions.
- This is frequently due to religious or cultural considerations.
- Separating boys and girls from one another may help to avoid discipline issues.
- Boys and girls may learn in different ways and have different needs than the rest of the population.
- Students who attend single-gender schools tend to perform better on standardised tests.

Disadvantages of a single-gender education

- It is unnecessary to separate males and girls from one another.
- It is detrimental to the social development of young children.
- Many coeducational schools are exceptionally successful in their endeavours.
- A mixed-sex atmosphere is more reflective of real-life situations.
- Coeducational schools help youngsters develop superior social skills that will serve them well in adulthood.

Benefits of Grouping Children According to Ability

- Some schools categorise pupils based on their academic abilities; others do not.
- Teachers can work at a pace that is appropriate for their students.
- Teachers can design lessons that are more appropriate for their students.
- High-level organisations may be able to move more quickly.
- Lower-level groups may benefit from a more leisurely pacing.
- These are some of the reasons why some teachers and parents embrace streaming.

Aspects of streaming that are disadvantageous

- Students may experience unfavourable consequences if they are placed in groups based on their aptitude.
- Children do not want to be perceived as being less intelligent than their classmates.
- Streaming could have a negative impact on students' self-esteem.
- They may experience a loss of motivation.
- Students from more affluent homes are more likely to be well prepared.
- Children from lower-income homes may receive less parental assistance than their peers.
- Mixed-ability classes encourage students of all abilities to reach

their full potential.

Environment

- 1. Why do we need to prevent the extinction of some animals like dinosaurs and dodos if it is caused by natural processes? What is your opinion about this? People produce more garbage than in the past. Explain how it is affecting us and the measures that could be taken to address the situation Provide specific examples and explanation to support your answer.
- 2. In modern times, some species of animals are slowly disappearing. Do you think that it is acceptable l for species to become extinct? What are the possible reasons and consequences of this extinction? Provide reasons and examples to explain your opinion.
- 3. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Protecting the Environment is the responsibility of the government. Use specific reasons and examples to support your opinion.
- 4. Do you agree or disagree that the world was a better place decades ago that it is today? Why do you think so? Give specific details and examples to support your answer.

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Global Warming is a serious problem.

• The greenhouse effect is caused by gases such as carbon dioxide, which trap heat from the sun.

- As a result, global temperatures are increasing.
- The greenhouse effect is the name given to this phenomenon.
- Human activity is a significant contributor to the increase in greenhouse gases.
- Emissions and exhaust fumes are produced by factories and automobiles.
- A large number of developing countries are undergoing industrialization.
- The number of automobiles on our roads is increasing.
- Low-cost air travel is allowing more individuals to take to the skies.

The Consequences of Global Warming

- A substantial influence on our planet will be caused by global warming.
- The melting of the polar ice caps will be exacerbated by rising temperatures.
- The sea level is expected to rise.
- We can expect more severe weather conditions in the future.
- Flooding and droughts are likely to grow increasingly frequent.
- The Environmental Effects of Human Activity
- Because of the global population's growth, natural resources are becoming increasingly scarce.
- Energy resources such as oil and natural gas are depleting.
- We are eliminating natural habitats for wildlife.
- We have cleared vast tracts of rainforest for development purposes.
- As a result, countless species of animals and plants have been driven to extinction.

Environmental Problems and Their Solutions

- Governments could enact legislation to control emissions from manufacturing facilities.
- They should make investments in renewable energy sources such as solar, wind, and water power.

- They may levy "green taxes" on drivers and airline businesses, for example.
- Government efforts should be launched to encourage recycling.
- Protecting natural places and wild creatures should be a priority.
- Individuals should also strive to live in a more environmentally friendly manner.
- We should take fewer flights to see family and friends abroad.
- Rather than driving, we should take public transportation instead.
- We should select products that require minimal packaging.
- We should try to recycle as much as we can.

Waste/Rubbish

- The amount of rubbish that we generate has increased in recent years.
- This is a problem that has arisen as a result of our consumer culture.
- Products are not built to last a long time.
- If something breaks, we dispose of it and replace it with a new one.
- Advertisers entice consumers to purchase the latest clothes.
- When it comes to selling, packaging is critical.
- The vast majority of foods are packaged in non-biodegradable plastics.
- The amount of waste generated by households is increasing.
- The majority of this garbage ends up in landfills.

Litter

- People do not consider the ramifications of their actions when they drop garbage.
- They make the assumption that someone is compensated to clean the roadway
- Plastic packaging is difficult to break down.
- The majority of rubbish found on city streets is fast food packaging.
- Recycling and other options are available.

- Businesses should produce things that are more durable.
- They should refrain from using excessive packing.
- Governments must enforce stronger regulations regarding waste generated by businesses.
- They should impose legal restrictions on packing.
- Consumers should refrain from purchasing over-packaged goods.
- It is important to recycle and repurpose useful resources.
- The collection of glass, paper, and plastic bottles is made possible by the use of collection banks.
- A household can utilise many garbage cans to separate waste, which can save money.
- Recycling helps to conserve energy and natural resources.

Family

- 1. Some believe that it is better for each family to live by themselves rather than share a house with relatives. Do you agree or disagree? Provide specific reasons and examples to support your position.
- 2. Some parents allow their teenage children to live independently, away from home. Other parents do not want their teenage children to live far away from them. Which do you think is better and why? Use specific reasons and details to support your answer.
- 3. Some couples nowadays prefer to maintain a good career rather than having children? What are the advantages and disadvantages of choosing career over family?

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The number of people in the family

- The average size of a family in various countries has shrunk from its former size.
- Instead of vast extended families, we want to live in small nuclear households.
- Parents are more likely to have fewer children.
- Young children are no longer expected to perform manual labour.
- Nowadays, both parents are frequently employed.
- It is quite expensive to raise children.
- Raising a large family is more challenging than raising a small one.

Families with working parents

- Children and their parents appear to be becoming less close these days.
- Parents spend less time with their children than in the past.

- Traditionally, women stayed at home to cook, clean, and take care of their children. o
- Nowadays, both parents are frequently employed full-time.
- Children may be left alone or with nannies or babysitters, depending on the situation.
- Parents who are overworked have less time with their children.
- A large number of families no longer share a meal together.
- Children spend more time with friends or on the Internet than they used to.

Children Suffering Negative Consequences

- A lack of intimacy between parents and children might have a harmful impact on youngsters.
- Many parents have no idea what their children are doing with their time during the day.
- Friends, television, and the Internet take over as the primary sources of influence on children's actions.
- Peer pressure has an impact on adolescent behaviour
- Some of them become members of gangs.
- The incidence of juvenile delinquency is on the rise.
- Parents should be more involved in their children's education and development
- Positive role models are essential for young people.

Divorce

- Divorce was once considered unacceptable.
- For many years, it was regarded to be an embarrassment for the family.
- Individuals remained together for religious or familial purposes.
- Divorce has been increasingly socially accepted in recent years.
- It has become much more prevalent in recent years.
- Divorce may be a very difficult experience.
- Financial challenges may arise for single parents.
- A large number of single parents are forced to rely on government

assistance.

- When a couple divorces, it can have an adverse influence on their children.
- Children from single-parent families are more likely than other children to have poor grades or to drop out of school altogether.
- A possible link between the growth in divorce rates and certain socioeconomic problems has been suggested.

Elderly Care

- Elderly Care is a broad term that encompasses a variety of activities that are performed for the elderly.
- Traditionally, it was the obligation of families to provide care for elderly persons.
- Adults were responsible for caring for their old parents.
- A woman's primary responsibility was to stay at home and care for her family.
- Elderly folks are being looked after by their families in smaller numbers nowadays.
- Residential care facilities provide care for a big number of elderly persons in one location.
- Nursing homes are able to provide competent medical treatment to its residents.
- Some families are unable to care for their ageing parents or grandparents.
- Families are becoming smaller, and women are more likely than ever to hold down full-time employment.
- Care homes are facilities that provide a professional service to senior adults.
- Nurses have more advanced training than family members.

Opinions on the Care of the Elderly

- The most appropriate method of care for the elderly is determined by the family's circumstances.
- It is dependent on whether or not family members have the

necessary time and money.

- Every member of our community bears a responsibility to the elderly members of our society.
- Facilities and training for care workers or social service professionals should be funded by the government.

Gender

- 1. In some countries, women are given special days leave for their monthly period. Some think that this is a form of discrimination between genders. Do you agree or disagree? Provide specific reasons and examples to support your position.
- 2. Women can do everything that men can and they even do it better. They also can do many things that men cannot. But it is a fact that their work is not appreciated as much as men's, although they have to sacrifice a lot for their family and career... It is said: "A woman's place is in the home." What do you think?

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Gender and Education are two important factors to consider.

- Education possibilities for men and women should be equal, regardless of their gender.
- Males and girls should be admitted to courses based on their talents, not their gender.
- discriminating against pupils on the basis of their gender is unethical.
- Gender should not be a factor in educational opportunities.
- Students' accomplishments should be based on their own efforts and individual merit.
- Higher education students in the United Kingdom are roughly equal in number between males and females.

Gender and the Workplace

- Equal access to professional possibilities should be provided to both men and women.
- The ability to pursue a career should be available to both men and women.
- They should be paid on an equal basis.
- Employing them according to their abilities, credentials, and expertise is a good idea as well.
- Traditionally, women have been assigned to specific occupations or tasks.
- It was common for them to be employed as secretaries or receptionists.
- Nowadays, both men and women can choose from a wide variety of jobs.
- A person's ability to advance in their career is determined by their particular merit.

The Difference Between the Roles of Women and Men in the Family

- Some individuals believe that a mother should not be employed.
- She should stay at home with her children and raise them.
- The father should be the primary breadwinner in the household.
- Others think that these obligations should be shared equally by both parents.
- Working women are entitled to maternity leave both during and after pregnancy.
- The majority of working mothers continue to do so after this era.
- A large number of fathers and moms share their parental and household obligations.
- They share equally in the responsibilities of childcare, cooking, and cleaning.
- Some women may have more promising professional opportunities than their spouses.
- Paternity leave is becoming increasingly popular, as is the concept

of "househusbands."

- Traditional gender roles are gradually being re-examined and modified
- Families can delegate duties and obligations in the most convenient manner for everyone involved.

Issues that affect the entire world

- 1. Many countries now face an economic downturn so it is better for each country to focus on its own problems rather than helping other countries. To what extent do you agree or disagree? Use specific reasons and examples to support your position.
- 2. Every country should produce enough of everything that the country needs so it should not rely on imports. Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Use specific reasons and examples to support your position.
- 3. Some developed countries now have unemployment problems. Why do people still want to emigrate to these countries? Give reasons and specific examples to explain your answer.

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Problems Affecting Developing Nations

- Developing countries are confronted with a variety of issues.
- Low levels of healthcare and education are available.
- Because of this, these countries have a lower life expectancy than advanced industrialised nations
- There is a scarcity of infrastructure, career opportunities, and highquality housing.
- A large number of people are compelled to live in poverty.
- A scarcity of food, potable water, and essential medicines has resulted.

What Can Be Done to Assist Developing Countries

- Development assistance is the most effective form of assistance for underdeveloped countries.
- Wealthier countries can contribute by investing in long-term projects.
- Governments and charitable organisations can assist by constructing new homes and schools.
- Globalization has the potential to benefit emerging countries as well.
- International corporations have the ability to create jobs in underdeveloped countries.
- On the other hand, many people leave their home nations in search of jobs in more prosperous countries.
- They frequently send money back to their homes in their home countries.
- This money contributes to the improvement of the living conditions in poor countries.

Immigration

- In search of a better life, some people choose to relocate to other nations.
- A large number of immigrants come from developing countries.
- More prosperous and industrialised countries may be able to provide employment possibilities
- Free healthcare and education are available in certain developed countries, including the United States.
- Others relocate to a foreign country in order to further their educational qualifications.

Immigrants and multi-cultural societies have a lot of advantages.

- When seen from an economic standpoint, immigration can be tremendously beneficial.
- The skills of many immigrants are in high demand in the country to which they are relocating.
- Working immigrants contribute to the economy of the country in which they have settled.
- A large number of immigrants send money back home to assist family members.
- Immigration also contributes to the development of cultural variety.
- People from a variety of various nationalities learn to coexist peacefully.
- This has the potential to encourage people to be more open-minded and accepting.

Immigration Has Its Drawbacks

- Others argue that immigrants take employment that should be reserved for native-born workers.
- Some immigrant labourers work longer hours for less money than their American counterparts.
- It is possible that employers will offer lower wages to immigrant labour.
- If there are an excessive number of immigrants, unemployment rates may rise.

Immigration: What are people's thoughts?

- Immigration can be beneficial to a country's economy.
- It has the potential to foster multi-cultural societies.
- Immigration, on the other hand, must be strictly regulated.
- Visas or work permits are required in many countries for immigrants.
- The government must intervene to prevent firms from exploiting immigrant employees.
- Equal pay and working conditions for both foreign and local workers should be guaranteed.

The Advantages of Globalization

- The business world is getting increasingly globalised.
- Multinational corporations conduct business all over the world.
- McDonald's and other fast-food establishments may be found on most city's main thoroughfares.
- Products are manufactured in one country and sold in a number of different countries.
- Trade between countries is made possible by the global economy.
- This has the potential to build political alliances.
- Globalization has the potential to open up new employment opportunities.
- It encourages foreign direct investment in developing countries.
- It has the potential to alleviate poverty in poor countries.

Globalization Has Its Drawbacks

- Globalization is not always advantageous to all parties involved.
- Companies can relocate to places where labour is less expensive.
- Redundancies or job losses result as a result of this.
- Employees are unable to be confidence in their ability to keep their jobs.
- Employers in undeveloped countries are sometimes taken advantage of by their employers.
- Global trade contributes to an increase in waste and pollution.

Globalization's Long-Term Prospects

- There should be international standards for wages and working conditions.
- Environmental protection legislation should be enacted by governments.

Government and Society

- 1. In some countries, health care and education are only partially funded by the government. Some people argue that the government should be responsible for covering the full cost of these services. Do you support or oppose the opinion? Explain your position.
- 2. Some people think that not only should professional sports and cultural enterprises be sponsored by the government but also that amateur adult and children groups should get funding. Do you agree or disagree? Use specific reasons and examples to support your position.
- 3. Do you agree or disagree that governments should spend money on other things than art even though art helps develop quality in people's life? Use specific reasons and examples to support your position.
- 4. Some countries focus on health care and education benefits while others on infrastructure and employment. Which do you think would be more beneficial for the population? Give specific details and examples to support your opinion.
- 5. Compare these views. Politicians have the greatest influence on the world. Scientists make the greatest contribution to the world. Which do you agree with? Use specific reasons and examples to support your position.
- 6. How can one's government stop or prevent smuggling of illegal drugs from one country to another? Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.

7. In your own opinion, how can the government of each country eradicate or lessen the crimes committed by their own people? Use specific reasons and details to support your answer.

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Government and Society are two sides of the same coin.

What Can Be Done by Governments

- Governments give public services such as healthcare and education to their citizens.
- They provide assistance to persons who are living in poverty or who are unable to work.
- Governments generate revenue by levying taxes on the working class.
- They have the ability to spend money on resources and campaigns.
- They have the authority to enact new legislation.
- They have the authority to levy taxes.
- They have the ability to raise people's awareness of concerns (for example, climate change and good eating).
- They have the ability to influence people's behaviours and opinions.
- They have the ability to create jobs/increase job opportunities
- They have the authority to regulate the actions of businesses such as banks.
- They can give resources for educational institutions.
- Also under their jurisdiction are the security and well-being of the people who live in their country.
- They have complete authority over armed forces and police forces.

Services to the Public

- Public sector employees, such as police officers and teachers, are compensated by their respective governments.
- The necessary funds are raised through the imposition of taxes on people's earnings.
- The state may provide free education and healthcare to its citizens.
- Some governments have complete control over public transportation networks and even television stations.
- In other nations, private companies are responsible for providing these services.
- Some people believe that competition between private enterprises is a positive development.
- It contributes to the improvement of quality while simultaneously lowering prices
- Others believe that critical services should be provided free of charge.
- They should be paid for by the government.

Censorship is a matter of personal opinion.

- Governments have the authority to censor what the public sees or reads in the media.
- It is vital to restrict certain content to a certain extent.
- Censorship should be used to safeguard youngsters from being exposed to violent images.
- Some computer games involve the death of individuals or the commission of criminal acts.
- Internet access must also be monitored and regulated.
- A large number of websites contain pornography and violence.
- Websites and computer games should be restricted to anyone over the age of 18.
- It is the responsibility of parents to monitor what their children watch on television.
- We cannot expect governments to have complete control over what we view.

Video Cameras in Public Places: Is It Safe?

- The usage of closed-circuit television (CCTV) is becoming more common.
- A large number of public areas have been outfitted with video cameras.
- In order to safeguard us and prevent thieves, they are supposed to
- A large number of people believe that this surveillance violates our right to privacy.
- The authorities might compile databases containing our photographs and personal information.
- We should not be treated in the same way as criminals.

The Advantages of Smart Cards

- Governments will almost certainly implement a system of digital identification cards.
- There will be advantages and disadvantages to using smart cards.
- They have the potential to contribute to crime reduction.
- They could contain personal information such as DNA samples;
- It is possible that fingerprint information will be stored on digital bank cards.
- It would be extremely difficult for crooks to utilise a stolen card in this situation.
- It would be simpler for police to identify individuals and apprehend criminals.

Smart Cards Have Drawbacks

- Many people are concerned about their right to privacy being violated.
- government might keep a record of all of our personal and medical information
- Insurance firms might be interested in this information as well.
- Our health records could be checked by potential employers

Individuals with Disabilities

- Disability should be treated in the same way that everyone else is treated
- They should be afforded the same protections as other citizens.
- They should be able to compete for the same employment as other members of society
- Discrimination against individuals with disabilities is prohibited in many countries.
- Wheelchair ramps and lifts should be constructed in public buildings to accommodate the disabled.
- A support teacher might be hired to assist youngsters who are experiencing learning issues.

Health

- 1. In your own opinion, what do you think are the factors that contribute to longevity? List some examples and reasons to support your answer.
- 2. Some people think that keeping pets is good for children while others think it is dangerous and unhealthy. Which opinion do you agree with? Discuss both options and give examples.
- 3. Even when poor countries get help from rich countries, hunger is still an issue. Discuss probable causes and solutions. Support your answer with specific reasons and examples.
- 4. Compared to the past, more younger adults take medications for degenerative diseases. Provide specific reasons and examples to support your answer.

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Diet

- A well-balanced diet is required by the human body.
- The consumption of an improper diet can result in a variety of health concerns.
- obesity, diabetes, and cardiovascular disease are all on the rise.
- The use of fast food and pre-prepared meals has become commonplace in recent years.

- These foods frequently contain excessive amounts of fat, salt, and sugar.
- They are inexpensive to purchase and quite simple to prepare.
- A large number of young people have grown up on a diet of processed foods.
- Overweight and obese populations are becoming more prevalent in wealthy countries.

Exercise

- Regular physical activity is necessary for sustaining a healthy body.
- Exercise burns calories and aids in the development of strong bones and muscles.
- Doctors recommend that you exercise for 20 minutes at least three times a week.
- The majority of individuals today lead a sedentary lifestyle.
- We have a tendency to walk less and to work at a desk.
- The majority of individuals unwind by watching television.
- Children choose to play video games rather than participate in outdoor activities.
- The past was a time when individuals were more engaged in their jobs and at home.

The Role of the Government

- Governments have a crucial role to play in the prevention and treatment of obesity.
- An increasing number of people, especially young children, are becoming very overweight.
- They are at increased risk of developing heart disease and diabetes.
- As a result of this circumstance, hospitals and taxpayers will bear an increased burden.
- Hospitals are reliant on the government for funding and supplies.
- Healthier eating habits and frequent physical activity should be encouraged by governments.
- The inclusion of greater sports time in school timetables is

recommended.

- Unhealthy fast food should be barred from school lunches and dinners.
- People require information about the ingredients in foods.
- The nutritional composition of the product must be displayed on the packaging.
- The government should encourage people to consume five servings of fruits and vegetables every day.

Advantages of the State Health System

- Everyone should have access to high-quality healthcare at no cost.
- The government pays for state healthcare using money collected through taxes.
- Everyone has equal access to the same level of care and treatment quality.
- It is unfair to provide private health care because it is only available to the wealthy.
- The National Health Service (NHS) of the United Kingdom provides free healthcare to all citizens.

Advantages of Private Health Insurance

- State hospitals are frequently extremely huge and difficult to manage.
- Private hospitals have shorter wait times for surgeries and appointments than public hospitals.
- Patients can benefit from receiving treatment more quickly.
- A large number of customers choose to pay for a personalised service.
- In addition to their own room and more pleasant facilities, patients have access to

Alternative Medicine Has Its Advantages

- Alternative medicines are becoming increasingly popular as a means of treating ailments.
- Acupuncture, for example, can be used to alleviate lower back pain.
- Immune system disorders such as allergies and infections can be treated with herbal medications.
- A large number of patients have expressed satisfaction with these therapy.
- For centuries, several of the traditional treatments have been utilised to treat various ailments.

Alternative Medicine Has Its Drawbacks

- Many alternative medications have not been subjected to rigorous scientific testing.
- They may have no favourable effect at all on the individual.
- They may have unanticipated negative effects.
- People should put their faith in the advice of trained medical professionals.
- If you do not get medical attention for your sickness, it could worsen.

Stress

- Contemporary lifestyles are becoming increasingly demanding.
- People work long hours under pressure to meet stringent deadlines.
- Because of our hectic schedules, we have less time to rest.
- Unemployment is a significant source of stress.
- Children may be impacted by the difficulties that their parents are experiencing.
- Stress can be brought on by tests and exams.

Stress Reduction Techniques

• Stress can be lessened by engaging in regular physical activity and consuming a nutritious diet.

- Also crucial is getting enough sleep and making leisure time a priority in one's life.
- People should work fewer overtime hours and take more frequent vacations.
- Psychologists have begun to be employed by schools.
- They are able to provide emotional support to students
- They can assist pupils in dealing with the stress of exams.

Housing

- 1. Some people prefer to live in a traditional house. Others prefer to live in a modern apartment building. Which do you prefer and why? Give specific details and examples in your answer.
- 2. In some countries, buildings of historical value are being demolished to give way to modern buildings. Do you think that it is better to preserve the old historical outlook of buildings or it is better to incorporate only new styles of architecture? Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of this situation. Provide specific reasons and examples to support your opinion.

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Housing provided by the state or by the council

- Government-sponsored housing is available in various nations, such as state or council housing.
- This is beneficial to folks who cannot afford to own their own home.
- One could argue that state housing fosters a sense of dependency on the federal government.
- People should be able to put their trust in the government to look after them.
- People are not motivated to work hard and save money in order to purchase a home of their own.
- Council properties are frequently constructed using low-cost, low-quality materials.

Buildings that are over 100 years old

• Historic structures are an important aspect of a country's cultural

history.

- They should be given special protection
- Buildings that are more than 100 years old are frequently regarded works of art.
- They add character to cities while also attracting visitors.
- They provide us with an understanding of how people lived in the past.
- In Egypt, for example, we recognise the country by its architectural emblems, such as the pyramids.
- Governments should allocate funds to the preservation of historic structures.
- The requirement for regular repairs and maintenance is a given.
- New structures should be constructed to complement existing structures.

Buildings that are modern or environmentally friendly

- Modern structures should be constructed in a manner that is environmentally beneficial.
- They should reduce their energy consumption and garbage production.
- Homes can be made more energy-efficient by utilising modern insulation, such as water, sound, and heat coverings.
- Electricity can be generated using solar and wind energy sources.
- It is possible to recycle rainwater and waste water, which can be utilised to flush toilets.
- Natural light is taken advantage of in modern glass structures.

Language

- 1. Some parents prefer to have their children be raised by their grandparents. Some prefer to raise them on their own. Which would you prefer and why? Include specific details and examples to support your choice.
- 2. Some parents allow their teenage children to live independently, away from home. Other parents don't want their teenage children to live away from them. Which do you think is better and why? Use specific reasons and details to support your answer.
- 3. Some people believe that watching television is bad for children. Other people believe that watching television is educational for children. Which opinion do you agree with and why? Give specific details and examples in your answer.
- 4. Some people believe that people behave differently when they wear different clothes, while others do not believe that clothes influence the way people behave. Which opinion do you agree with and why? Use specific reasons and details to support your answer.
- 5. Some people believe that success comes from hard work. Others believe that success has to do with luck. Which opinion do you agree with and why? Give specific details and examples to support your opinion.
- 6. Some people think the media television and films negatively affect people's behaviour. Others do not think so. How do you think

the media affects people's behaviour? Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.

7. Some people believe that progress is always good. Others believe in preserving tradition. Which do you think is more important and why? Use specific reasons and examples to support your opinion.

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English as a Foreign Language on a Global Scale

- English is widely spoken and understood around the world.
- It is rapidly becoming a second language in many parts of the world.
- In the fields of technology, science, and international commerce, it is the de facto standard language.
- English is frequently used in international business meetings, which are held routinely in this language.
- In English, the majority of the most important textbooks and publications are published.
- It is essential to be able to communicate effectively in English in today's environment.

Inconvenient truth about English as an international language

- If one language becomes dominant, it is possible that other languages will go extinct.
- The dominant language brings with it its own cultural heritage.
- American culture has gained widespread acceptance throughout the world.
- Other cultures may suffer as a result of this.
- In addition to English, a new global language could be developed

as a replacement.

- It would be devoid of any ties to a particular nation or culture.
- This has the potential to contribute to international peace and understanding.
- Esperanto is an example of a language that was created specifically for this purpose.

Money

- 1. Some people spend more and some spend less for wedding parties, birthday parties and other celebrations? Is it a waste of money or a social requirement? Include specific details and examples to support your choice.
- 2. In some countries people place more importance on their retirement years because they will have more time to enjoy their lives and will have shed most of their responsibilities. To what extent do you agree or disagree? Give specific reasons and examples to support your opinion.
- 3. People equate a good salary with success. Some say that money is not what will make you successful In your own opinion, what will make a person truly successful? Give specific reasons and examples to support your answer.
- 4. Money is the best way to motivate people to perform better in the workplace. To what extent do you agree with this statement. Provide specific reasons and examples to support your answer.

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Money and Society are two interconnected concepts.

- Society has gotten increasingly materialistic in recent years. o
- People strive to obtain a higher income.

- They desire a larger home or a nicer automobile.
- We equate riches and material stuff with happiness and success, which is a fallacy.
- Brands such as Armani and Mercedes are considered status symbols.
- Advertising stimulates the development of new demands and requirements.
- It persuades us to purchase the most up-to-date fashions.

Consumerism Has Its Advantages

- Consumerism leads to the creation of new jobs
- It contributes to the reduction of poverty
- It promotes corporate innovation and creativity. o It helps companies grow.
- We live in a global economy, and we must adapt.
- We have a higher overall standard of living.

Consumerism Has Its Drawbacks

- Consumerist civilizations generate more waste than other societies.
- They consume a greater amount of natural resources
- It is believed that they cause environmental damage.
- Consumerism contributes to the development of a throw-away culture
- Advertisers inform us about who we are and what we desire.
- Having money does not guarantee happiness.
- Materialism breeds greed and criminality.
- We should revert to traditional principles such as cooperation and sharing.

Personality

- 1. Some people believe that children should be required to learn other languages at a young age because it will be useful for their personal development. Do you support or oppose this opinion? Explain your position.
- 2. Some people believe that children should be obligated to help with household chores as soon as they are able to. Others believe that children should not be forced to do household chores. Which opinion do you agree with and why? Use specific reasons and details to support your answer.
- 3. Some people believe that success comes from hard work. Others believe that success has to do with luck. Which opinion do you agree with and why? Give specific details and examples to support your opinion.

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Happiness

- For various people, happiness can signify a variety of different things.
- It can be described as a pleasant or pleasurable feeling or experience.
- Spending time with family and friends is something that most people appreciate.
- Hobbies, sports, and games can provide hours of entertainment and enjoyment.
- Some people believe that money can bring them happiness.
- For some, happiness is defined as something more profound.
- It is vital to live a nice life in order to be truly happy in this world.

- We need to believe that we are contributing to something worthwhile with our lives.
- Some people feel a sense of accomplishment as a result of their employment.
- Others find fulfilment in the task of raising their children.
- The pursuit of happiness can also be fueled by religious convictions or a feeling of duty.

Success

- Various people have different definitions of success.
- Raising a family can provide a sense of accomplishment for some people.
- For others, success is measured in terms of riches or social standing.
- We frequently conceive of wealthy and renowned people as having achieved success in their lives.
- Billionaires such as Bill Gates are seen as successful individuals.
- They have ascended to the pinnacle of their respective fields of expertise.
- Being successful implies different things to different people. For others, it involves attaining personal or professional goals.
- They believe that success is the product of perseverance.
- Long-term preparation and work are necessary for success in any area.

Nature or Nurture: Which is more important?

- Some people feel that genetics plays a significant role in determining our personalities.
- Our qualities and talents are passed on to us from our parents.
- Others believe that our education and upbringing are more essential than everything else.
- We develop in response to the stimuli that surround us.
- Our personalities and accomplishments are more dependent on nurture than on nature.

- A large number of people believe that we are in charge of our own destinies.
- We have the ability to mould our own personalities
- The objective we set for ourselves can be achieved by putting out our best effort.
- A large number of successful persons are self-made.
- There is no restriction imposed on us by our genetic make-up or environment.

Participation in sports and recreational activities

- 1. What book or film do you think portrays a country's culture the best? Would you recommend it to a foreign friend who wishes to learn and understand that country? Describe the book or film and explain why you would recommend it. Use specific reasons and details to support your answer.
- 2. International sporting events are costly and bring problems to the hosting country. To what extent do you agree or disagree? Give specific reasons and examples to support your position.
- 3. Some say sports facilities are important and they promote healthy lifestyles while others believe they have only a small impact on individuals. What is your opinion? Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.
- 4. A film can portray the culture and traditions of a country. What films have you watched that tell a specific story of a country? Use specific examples and details to support your response.
- 5. Do you think video games and action films promote violence that could be harmful to children? Why or why not? Give specific details and examples to support your answer.

- 6. Write about a certain hobby that has also provided income for people. Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.
- 7. Some people participate in extra-curricular activities such as volunteering in charitable events or joining dance groups to gain more knowledge and experience. Others simply focus on their goals such as academic studies or work. Which do you think helps in improving a person's knowledge and experience? Use specific reasons and details to support your answer.

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Disagreements with professional or competitive sports are common.

- Sport has evolved into a commercial enterprise.
- The competitive nature of professional sport pushes people to compete for monetary gain.
- A lot of sports stars are simply concerned about money and celebrity.
- Some athletes use performance-enhancing substances in order to win at all costs.
- Competitors are frequently self-centered and unpleasant.
- They do not serve as positive role models for youngsters.
- All sports should be open to the public.
- Sports should be considered recreational activity rather than jobs.
- People should participate in sports for the fun of it as well as for their health.
- Taking part is more important than winning in most situations.

Justifications for Participating in Professional Sports

• Professional sports are no different than any other type of company.

- The sporting goods industry employs a large number of people.
- People should be able to make a living by employing their skills and abilities.
- Millions of people are entertained by sports stars.
- Funding is required for the improvement of facilities and the training of athletes
- In comparison to amateur sport, the level of professional sport is significantly higher.

Affirmations in Support of Competitive Sport

- Humans have a natural need to compete with one another.
- In our daily lives, we strive to earn the best jobs or the best grades.
- Sports provide a safe environment for competition.
- Competition is beneficial because it motivates us to perform at our highest level.
- It is possible for rivals and fans to express their rage and aggression.
- Team supporters have a strong sense of connection to a larger community.

Professional sports salaries are excessive.

- Sports professionals earn an excessive amount of money
- They do not perform a necessary function.
- The simple act of kicking a ball generates substantial earnings for football players, for example.
- We could all live happily ever after if professional football did not exist.
- Without doctors, engineers, and other critical professionals, life would be extremely difficult.
- Society does not appear to place as much significance on these occupations as it does on professional sports.
- Sports compensation should be comparable to the incomes earned by the majority of the population.

Professional Sport Salaries Are Reasonably Compensated

- It is reasonable for the greatest professionals to earn a substantial sum of money.
- The sport industry is a multi-billion-dollar enterprise.
- There is a huge number of sports fans in attendance.
- Sports on television draw a large number of viewers.
- Sports stars have put in many hours of practise time to improve their fitness and abilities.
- Only the most gifted of them will rise to the top of the heap.
- A professional sports career may only last ten years.
- Sports fans are willing to pay to show their support for their favourite teams.

Sports and politics are two of the most popular topics on the internet.

- Sport and politics are considered to be two distinct entities by some.
- Governments take an active role in the organisation of sporting events such as the Summer Olympics.
- These events bring in new capital and generate new jobs.
- The Olympic Games serve as a promotional vehicle for the host country.
- They draw a large number of tourists and sports lovers to the area.
- These events are more frequently held in wealthy countries.
- Developing countries should be given the opportunity to hold international conferences.

Television, the Internet, and telephones

- 1. Some people think that watching television does not make people smarter. Other people think that watching television can be informative. Which opinion do you agree with and why? Use specific reasons and details to support your answer.
- 2. Some people think it is okay for adults to play computer games. Others think that only children should play computer games. Which opinion do you agree with and why? Include specific details and examples to support your choice.
- 3. Some parents do not allow their children to watch action films and blood sports or play violent video games because it promotes bad behaviour. Others say it does not. Which opinion do you agree with and why? Give specific examples and details in your explanation.
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Advantages of watching television

- Relaxing in front of the television is a good idea.
- It is one of the most popular ways for many individuals to unwind after a long day at work.
- Television shows can be both entertaining and delightful at times.
- Viewers have access to a wide range of entertainment channels, which they can choose from.
- Television brings the world's most talented comedians, musicians,

and actresses into our living rooms.

- Television programmes can also be informational and educational in their content.
- News coverage raises public awareness of events taking place around the world.
- Documentaries can make learning more enjoyable by providing context.

Television Has Its Drawbacks

- Television has a harmful impact on society, according to research.
- Some people believe that violence on television correlates with increased crime rates in the real world.
- Children imitate the conduct they see on the screen, for example.
- Children are less healthy because they spend less time playing than their parents would like.
- Advertisers target children with their marketing messages.
- The majority of programmes do not necessitate much deliberation.
- Watching television is a complete waste of time.

Opinions on television are divided.

- There are numerous advantages to watching television.
- However, it has the potential to become addictive.
- Children should be encouraged to play outside rather than spend their days glued to a screen.
- People can be influenced by what they see on television.
- Parents should exercise caution while selecting television shows for their children.
- It is important that children be not exposed to violence, profanity, or sexual images.
- Advertisements during children's programming should be strictly monitored and supervised,
- More positive and instructional programming should be produced by television networks.

Advantages of using the Internet

- There are numerous advantages to utilising the Internet.
- It provides us with immediate access to information on virtually any subject.
- Shopping and other services are increasingly available on the internet as well.
- The ability to purchase goods and services from the comfort of their own homes is a significant advantage.
- The Internet is beginning to take the place of traditional forms of entertainment.
- It has completely transformed the way people communicate.
- We can communicate with one another using email or instant messaging applications.
- Video conferencing is becoming increasingly popular for business meetings.

The Internet's negative aspects

- A large number of websites contain offensive content.
- Some websites contain graphic images of violence or sexual content.
- It is difficult for parents to monitor what their children are exposed to on the internet.
- They are not always aware of who their children are interacting with.
- With so many websites to choose from, it can be tough to find reliable information.
- Criminals are increasingly employing the Internet to steal money from unsuspecting victims.

When compared to newspapers and books, the internet is more convenient.

- Newspapers and books are now published both online and in print, in addition to in print.
- We can read the news in any language from every country in the world, regardless of the language.
- Internet publishing and accessing information are both completely free of charge.
- Anyone can publish their own writing on the Internet, thanks to the Internet.
- Newspaper articles and books are authored by professionals in their respective fields.
- The quality of writing produced by professionals is superior to that of amateurs.
- People continue to purchase newspapers and books because they are easily transportable.
- People do not enjoy reading from a computer screen.

Cellular/mobile phones have a number of advantages.

- The cell phone is the most widely used electronic device in today's world.
- The use of mobile phones has completely transformed the way we communicate.
- We can stay in touch with our families, friends, and coworkers no matter where we are.
- Users can exchange text messages, browse the Internet, take photos, and listen to music on their mobile phones.
- Mobile phones have also evolved into fashionable accessories.

Mobile phones have a number of disadvantages.

- The use of mobile phones can be a nuisance in some public areas.
- Phones ringing cause disruptions in movie theatres and school classrooms.
- Some people are not aware that their talks can be overheard by others.
- Mobile phones have the potential to cause interference with

electronic devices.

- Their waves have the potential to do damage to our brains.
- Mobile phones can also be a potentially dangerous source of distraction.
- Talking on a cell phone while driving impairs the driver's ability to concentrate.
- Theft of mobile phones is a common target for criminals.

Opinions on mobile phones are divided.

- The advantages of mobile phones exceed their disadvantages.
- We must exercise caution when using these devices.

Tourism

1. Some people like to travel outside of their countries. Others would rather travel to the tourist spots in their own country first before travelling abroad. Which do you prefer to do and why? Include specific details and examples to support your choice.

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Tourism Has Its Advantages

- Tourism is a common form of recreational activity.
- People go on vacation to rest and enjoy themselves.
- Tourists get the opportunity to learn about diverse cultures.
- They can enjoy the sun on beaches or take in the sights.
- Traveling outside of our country broadens our perspectives and expands our horizons.
- We can learn to communicate in other languages.
- The tourist industry is critical to the economies of various countries.
- It contributes to the creation of jobs in services such as accommodation, transportation, and entertainment.
- Tourism is a major source of income in several locations.
- Tourists spend their money.
- Tourism is a source of investment for multi-national corporations.
- It contributes to the improvement of the standard of living
- Low-cost airlines are making international travel more affordable.

Tourism Has Negative Consequences

• Tourism has the potential to have a negative impact on the natural environment.

- The construction of structures and infrastructure has the potential to devastate the habitat of wild animals.
- The construction of hotels has degraded the beauty of beautiful beaches.
- Tourism contributes to pollution and trash production.
- It places a strain on available resources in the area.
- Traditional and cultural practises in the area may be jeopardised.
- An increase in the cost of living has an impact on the local population.
- Prices of goods, services, and housing may rise dramatically as a result of this.

Tourism in the Twenty-First Century

- The government should enact legislation to protect natural resources and indigenous peoples' cultures.
- Tourism should have a minimal influence on the environment.
- Renewable energy sources such as solar and water power should be utilised.
- Waste should be recycled whenever possible.
- Small local enterprises, such as farms, should be encouraged to succeed.

Traditional vs. contemporary

- 1. Some people believe that progress is always good. Others believe in preserving tradition. Which do you think is more important and why? Use specific reasons and examples to support your opinion.
- 2. Do we have to plan for the future? Or stay focused on our present? What is your opinion and why? Provide examples to support your stand.

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Traditional skills are being lost.

- As a result of industrialization and globalisation, many customs have been lost.
- Advertising on a global scale pushes everyone to purchase the same things.
- The vast majority of things are now manufactured in factories.
- Machines have taken the role of expert human work.
- Factory work is monotonous and leaves people feeling unsatisfied with their jobs.
- Products are manufactured in a short period of time and in big quantities.
- Because products are less expensive, more individuals can afford to purchase them.

Examples

• The majority of clothing is mass made in regular sizes.

- Rather than traditional costumes, people dress in similar attire to one another.
- Jeans and a T-shirt are now widely worn all across the world.
- It takes experienced craftsmen years to construct historic structures.
- Modern concrete, steel, and glass structures can be constructed in a matter of weeks or months.
- There are fewer persons who are capable of producing hand-made things.

Customs as it has always been done

- At religious holidays and weddings, traditional rituals are still very important to keep alive.
- People dress in traditional attire and eat meals that are unique to their culture.
- It is critical that we preserve our many cultural identities.
- We should have festivals, teach traditional skills, and preserve historical sites.

Transport

- 1. Some people prefer to use energy-saving modes of transportation like hybrid cars and bicycles. Others prefer the usual mode of transportation like buses and trains because it is fast and efficient. Which mode of transportation do you prefer and why? Use specific reasons and details to support your answer.
- 2. Low-price airlines lack most of the conveniences of normal air plane flights. However, the prices of the tickets are usually lower. Discuss negative and positive aspects of having lower rates of air plane tickets for travellers. Provide specific reasons and examples to support your response.
- 3. Is it good for families if parents need to travel a lot in their job or if they need to move to other cities? Is moving to a new location positive for children? Discuss your opinion and support it with specific reasons and examples
- 4. Better driver education and information for better driving habits are better than heavier punishments for driving offences. To what extent do you agree or disagree? Use specific reasons and examples to support your position.

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Problems with the traffic flow

- Commuters driving to and from work are a major source of traffic congestion
- The vast majority of people reside in the suburbs outside of the city core.
- Travelers tend to travel at the same time of day on a regular basis.
- They are more likely to travel alone.
- There is inefficient utilisation of automobiles and road space.
- Because of this, there are traffic congestion during rush hour.

Solution for Traffic Jams

- Changes in working habits are needed in order to alleviate traffic congestion.
- People can now be linked together through the usage of the internet.
- A greater number of people could work from home
- Meetings can be held via video conferencing technology.
- Workers could be offered the option of having flexible work schedules.
- Another option would be to impose a charge on drivers.
- Employees should pool their resources and go as a group.
- Congestion charges are levied in some cities, such as London.
- This contributes to raising funds for improved public transportation.
- Reliability and efficiency in public transportation are essential.

Advantages of Using Public Transportation

- We must lessen our reliance on automobiles.
- Finding a parking spot in a big city can be quite tough.
- Good transportation networks provide comfort and convenience for passengers.
- Modern public transportation can be both quick and inexpensive.
- Public transportation can contribute to the reduction of pollution in urban areas.
- Traffic congestion will be alleviated by increased investment in

buses and trains.

• In order to avoid gridlock, buses can be given specific lanes.

Cons of Using Public Transportation

- Public transportation is frequently late and unreliable.
- Metro systems and trains are frequently filthy and overcrowding.
- People feel crammed together like sardines in a can.
- Automobiles are significantly more comfortable.

Safety on the Roads

- Driving while fatigued or intoxicated is exceedingly hazardous.
- Cell phones can be a dangerous source of distraction for motorists.
- In addition, they detract the driver's focus away from the road.
- In many nations, the use of cell phones while driving is prohibited.
- The severity of punishments is increasing.
- Driving safety campaigns on television have been used to remind people to drive carefully.
- The use of speed cameras has become more widespread.
- A second type of traffic calming measure is the use of speed bumps.
- Many roadways are constructed with the goal of slowing down traffic flow in mind.

Work

- 1. In today's very competitive world, a worker has to possess multiple skills to succeed. Among the skills that a worker should possess, which skill do you think is more important, social skills or good qualifications? Explain the reasons and provide specific examples to support your answer.
- 2. Do you think businesses should hire employees who will spend their entire lives working for the company? Explain why do you agree or disagree. Use specific reasons and details to support your answer.
- 3. Would you prefer to stay in one company or change companies at one point in your career life? What are the advantages and disadvantages for both scenarios? Give specific details and examples to support your opinion.
- 4. Do you think that people who work online at home are more productive than office workers or the other way around?

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The Advantages of Continuing in the Same Job for a Lifetime

- Workers enjoy a secure career path with a single employer.
- Pension and health insurance are both excellent benefits.

- It is expected that their pay will rise gradually.
- They may be given a promotion within their company.
- They exhibit a high level of loyalty
- Experienced employees can be entrusted with greater levels of responsibility.
- They become a member of a group
- A well-defined route for development has been established.

The Advantages of Not Retaining Your Current Position

- People frequently change occupations in order to advance their professional careers.
- A promotion or a higher wage may be offered by another employer.
- People who change employment have the opportunity to get more experience.
- They can learn a variety of various skills
- Jobs can be intriguing and tough to switch to.
- People can retrain in a different occupation if they so want.
- Workers must be adaptable in a world that is always changing.
- A broader range of expertise and skills must be acquired by individuals.

Self-Employment

- Nowadays, forming a corporation is a simple process.
- The internet serves as a global marketplace for businesses.
- When compared to working for a firm, self-employment provides more independence.
- The dangers of launching a new firm, on the other hand, are significant.
- Individuals who are self-employed may experience financial issues.
- A large number of firms fail to turn a profit.
- Self-employment offers less stability than traditional employment.
- Retirement, sick leave, and vacation pay are not available. o There are no benefits like as pensions, sick leave, or vacation pay.
- Self-employment entails a great deal of effort, long hours, and

complete accountability.

Unemployment

- Employment is a significant challenge for individuals, communities, and society as a whole.
- Some individuals are unable to find employment.
- There is a chance they do not have a high enough degree of education or certifications.
- They may find themselves without a place to live.
- Unemployment results in feelings of frustration and stress.
- Jobless people may become involved in criminal activity as a means of obtaining financial gain.
- Career guidance is required by the unemployed.
- Governments must provide occupational training and retraining opportunities.

Benefits of Unemployment Insurance: Pros and Cons

- Some governments provide unemployment compensation in order to assist those who are out of work.
- People who are out of work want financial assistance until they can locate new employment.
- In order to continue to pay for their major life costs, they must file a claim for Social Security payments.
- The benefits system contributes to the reduction of poverty, homelessness, and criminal activity.

Unemployment Compensation Has Its Drawbacks

- Some people choose to receive benefits rather than work.
- They become reliant on the government for survival.
- They are not motivated to seek employment.
- It is a financial strain on tax payers to maintain the benefits system
- All citizens should work in order to earn a living and provide for

their families.

• People's self-esteem is affected when they receive rewards.

Maintaining a Healthy Work/Life Balance

- In order to succeed, it is necessary to strike a balance between work and leisure or family time.
- An excessive amount of work might lead to stress and poor health.
- Workaholics may ignore their relationships with their families and friends.
- Regular vacations are required by the population.
- Employers should anticipate that employees will work overtime.
- Many people now work part-time or have flexible working hours, which is becoming increasingly popular.
- Technology allows people to work from home; telecommuting is a viable alternative.
- A large number of businesses provide childcare services.
- Finding a way to strike a balance between a good life and a good career can improve job satisfaction.
- Employees that are happy and healthy are more productive.

Technology and the Place of Work

- The internet, fax, and cell phone technologies have completely transformed the way people do their jobs.
- Employees can communicate with one another using email, online networks, and video conferencing.
- Technology has the potential to connect workers in different countries all over the world.
- It provides people with greater freedom.
- It has the potential to save time, energy, and money.
- Some individuals assume that offices will go extinct in the near future.
- Virtual online workplaces may eventually take their place.

Child Labour is a serious issue.

- Children are exploited in some countries, including the United States.
- They work in monotonous and repetitive tasks for pitiful wages.
- Children are frequently employed in agricultural and manufacturing jobs.
- Child labour is outlawed in several countries, and many people believe that children should be allowed to enjoy their childhood. Many people believe that governments should prioritise education over all other priorities.
- They should construct new schools.
- They should provide the resources essential for children to receive an education.
- Children must be provided with the knowledge and skills they will need in adulthood.

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