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## Opinion Essay

### General Structure

#### Instructions to follow

- If you are given an opinion essay, you have to pick sides.
- You can either agree or disagree with the statement in the question.
- Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

An opinion essay should have:

- Introduction
- 3 Body Paragraphs
- ★ The 3rd body paragraph is optional. It will get you a higher band score
- Conclusion

#### Introduction

- Your introduction paragraph should paraphrase your question. Use synonyms for the words used in the question.
- A thesis statement – This statement should clearly state your opinion (i.e) whether you agree or disagree with the statement.

#### Body Paragraph 1

Your body paragraph should revolve around:

- A central idea
- Supporting points
- Example (Optional)

#### A central idea

The paragraph should revolve around this idea. Supporting points - Added points that support your central idea.

Example - Examples from your real-life experiences that support the supporting idea. They are optional.



### **Body Paragraph 2**

A central idea- The paragraph should revolve around this idea. Supporting points - Added points that support your central idea.

Example - Examples from your real-life experiences that support the supporting idea. They are optional.

### **Body paragraph 3**

This paragraph is the trickiest of all. You need to convey to the examiner that:

- You are aware of the other side of the argument.
- Yet you believe that your side is logical or right.

### **Conclusion**

Paraphrase your question along with an emphasis on your opinion



## Essay 1

Some people say it is more important to plant trees in the open spaces in towns and cities than to build more housing. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

The utilization of the open areas for planting or building more houses has become a debatable issue. In my opinion, I agree that trees and gardens play a vital role in human development. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain my point of view and give supporting reasons.

To begin with, the cultivation of more trees in urban settings benefits city dwellers in a variety of ways. For example, extra tree shade is generated when more trees are planted in open areas, which not only promotes the aesthetics of the city but also helps to lower the city's temperature. Also, it provides more space to elders and youngsters to do some physical activities in this relaxing environment.

Additionally, these plants assist in reducing urban air pollution and noise levels and promote higher living standards. Experts have discovered that tree leaves are great absorbers, especially of carbon dioxide and dust. In addition, trees generate oxygen, which can help to reduce pollution in cities and improve air quality.

However, it is true that more housing means more places to live. But it cannot be ignored that people are suffering from urbanisation induced air pollution and the only solution to protect them is to plant more trees.

To sum up, due to mass urbanization, the need for trees and gardens has drastically increased to improve the quality of life in overcrowded cities. Moreover, trees and gardens are natural combats that can help protect against various man-made disasters.



## Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that it is more important to plant trees in the open spaces in towns and cities than to build more housing?

(or)

- Do you disagree that it is more important to plant trees in the open spaces in towns and cities than to build more housing?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** - The issue of utilization of the open areas for planting or building more houses has grown to become a debatable issue.

**Opinion** - In my opinion, I agree that trees and gardens play a vital role in human development.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraph, I shall explain my point of view and give supporting reasons.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Central idea:** Benefits of planting trees over building houses

#### Supporting points:

- Promotes aesthetics of the city
- Provides opportunities to engage with other people
- Improves quality of life and give more relaxing environment

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Benefits of planting trees over building houses

#### Supporting points:

- Improves air and noise quality
- Absorbers carbon dioxide and dust



**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that due to mass urbanization, the need for trees and gardens has drastically increased and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 2

Some believe it is important for cities and towns to invest heavily in building large outdoor public spaces. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

As we are progressing towards development and well-built infrastructure, many people claim that it is essential for cities to invest substantially in the creation of large outdoor public spaces. In my opinion, it is true that the authorities should invest in building huge outdoor spaces for the public, as it will promote tourism and public health. In the forthcoming paragraph, I shall explain my point of view in detail.

Primarily, as we are moving towards development, the demand for outdoor public space is also doubling. Outdoor public places are important for more than just aesthetic reasons. It provides a communal area for people to connect with nature and other people. It also allows youngsters to participate in a variety of outdoor activities, such as the famous Lodhi Garden of Delhi. This park helps appreciate the beauty of the town while also providing opportunities for people from various areas to come and spend leisure time and improve their general health.

Besides that, outdoor spaces also help to boost tourism. It attracts visitors from all over the world to view and enjoy the area's natural beauty. New York City's Central Park is a classic example. The city was well-known for business visits prior to its development. The construction of Central Park not only allowed locals to participate in a variety of activities but also attracted non-business visitors from all over the world.

However, some people think that spending too much money on outdoor spaces is a complete waste of money. But it is also equally true that we cannot overlook the reality of the growing demand for fresh air and greenery.

In conclusion, investing in outdoor spaces improves the look of a city and helps to promote tourism. Authorities should allocate a well-balanced budget based on the needs of the city's growth.



## Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that it is important for cities and towns to invest heavily in building large outdoor public spaces?

(or)

- Do you disagree that it is important for cities and towns to invest heavily in building large outdoor public spaces?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** - As we are progressing towards development and well-built infrastructure, many people claim that it is essential for cities to invest substantially in the creation of large outdoor public spaces.

**Opinion** - In my opinion, it is true that the authorities should invest in building huge outdoor spaces for the public, as it will promote tourism and public health.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraph, I shall explain my point of view in detail.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Central idea:** Benefits of public outdoor areas

#### Supporting points:

- Important, not only for aesthetic reasons
- Provides opportunities to engage with other people
- Improves quality of life

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Ways outdoor spaces promotes tourism

#### Supporting points:

- Enhances area's natural beauty



- Boosts tourism
- Promotes economic development

**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that investing in outdoor spaces improves the look of a city and helps to promote tourism and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 3

Some countries import a large amount of food from other parts of the world. To what extent is this a positive or negative trend?

### Sample Answer

Instead of creating their own food commodities, governments throughout the world are increasingly dependent on food imported from other countries. It is, in my opinion, a dangerous trend that will have a detrimental influence on the agricultural sectors of countries. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain my thoughts in detail.

The disadvantage of depending on imported commodities rather than indigenous goods is that all local farmers in the nation who rely on crop sales would see a significant drop, lowering their living conditions. As a result, agricultural workers may need to seek alternative employment opportunities. Moreover, during times of crisis, nations that import products on a large scale will stop doing so, causing other countries that buy these items to suffer greatly.

Additionally, imported food is not necessarily nutritious. To preserve the food while it is transported to other parts of the world, specific chemicals are added to it. These preservatives have been linked to the development of deadly illnesses such as cancer. In addition, failing to maintain storage facilities results in significant food waste. Moreover, countries have to spend a huge amount to foreign countries in trade, and imported food is overpriced. It also has a negative impact on the nations' native cultures. In Japan, for example, where imported meals are growing more popular, people's knowledge of their own indigenous cuisines is dwindling.

However, in a way, it might also be true that importing goods can provide access to some foods that would otherwise be unavailable in certain countries. Preserved foods kept for extended periods, on the other hand, can induce a range of illnesses.

To summarise, imports are not always beneficial, and they have a negative influence on the country's agriculture sector, weakening the country's economic position.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree with the idea that countries should produce their own goods instead of importing from other countries?



(or)

- Do you disagree with the idea that countries should produce their own goods instead of importing from other countries?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Introduction:**

**Question Paraphrased** - Instead of creating their own food commodities, governments throughout the world are increasingly dependent on food imported from other countries.

**Opinion** - It is, in my opinion, a dangerous trend that will have a detrimental influence on the agricultural sectors of countries.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain my thoughts in detail.

**Body Paragraph 1:**

**Central idea:** Dangerous consequences of importing food

**Supporting points:**

- Causes a significant drop in local farms' crop sales
- Deteriorates conditions of local farmers
- Makes country depend on other countries for goods

**Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** Negative effects of food importing

**Supporting points:**

- Imported goods are not nutritious
- Contains harmful chemicals
- Countries have to spend a huge amount on foreign trade



**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that imports are not always beneficial and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 4

Nowadays many people travel to foreign countries for pleasure. Some believe this travel has a negative impact on the countries travelled to. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Travelling helps people to get away from a sedentary and often dull existence. Many people have begun to travel to foreign nations for enjoyment in recent years. Others think that travel may cause more harm than benefit to the nations visited. Travelling, in my opinion, helps people to open themselves up to different cultures and perspectives. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain my point of view.

Seeing other parts of the world and gaining immersive experiences in foreign cultures is educational and can open people's eyes in ways they never thought was possible. One becomes more aware of what is going on in other nations as a result of travel. It also allows an individual to meet new people and experience new things. It can also lead to new chances that they would never have imagined or dreamed about. One also gets to see the natural beauty of different parts of the world.

Additionally, travelling is less difficult. Travelling does not always need to cost millions of dollars. Nowadays, people have the option of going to places with cheap living costs. It also aids in the formation of meaningful connections. The people met while travelling may become some of their most valued contacts. Travelling may expose an individual to a wide range of lifestyles and cultures. Furthermore, the benefits of tourists spending foreign money in the nation would significantly boost the economy.

However, in a way, it might also be true that traveling to foreign countries devastates the local economy. Nevertheless, the tourism industry plays a significant role in the country's economic development. It helps in creating employment opportunities for a large number of people.

In conclusion, there are numerous benefits of international travel which cannot be overlooked. Travelling benefits not just people but also countries.



## Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that travelling to foreign countries for pleasure can leave a negative impact on the nations?

(or)

- Do you disagree that travelling to foreign countries for pleasure can leave a negative impact on the nations?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** - Traveling helps people to get away from a sedentary and often dull existence. Many people have begun to travel to foreign nations for enjoyment in recent years. Others think that travel may cause more harm than benefit to the nations visited.

**Opinion** - Traveling, in my opinion, helps people to open themselves up to different cultures and perspectives.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain my point of view.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Topic:** Advantages of traveling

#### Supporting points:

- People learn and experience foreign culture
- Increases awareness of the world
- People get to see natural beauty of different regions

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Topic:** Additional benefits of traveling

#### Supporting points:

- Cheap traveling alternatives



- Builds meaningful connections
- Boosts economy

**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that travelling benefits not just people but also countries and supported the side taken in the introduction.



## Essay 5

Some people say that all popular TV programmes should aim to educate viewers about important social issues. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement?

### Sample Answer

It is widely discussed that all well-known television shows should attempt to raise public awareness about social concerns. In my opinion, such initiatives by well-known entertainment shows are necessary. The main reason for my viewpoint is that the general public extensively watches all popular entertainment programmes. Therefore, by communicating a social message, they may educate people about it. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain my point of view.

These days, entertainment shows are popular among all ages and genders. Suppose TV shows focus on teaching people about social concerns in their communities. Then it's without a doubt that it will reach the masses and subliminally inform and help people become more conscious of the country's problems. Moreover, these messages raise awareness of social concerns such as rising crime, environmental difficulties, and many others that occur on a daily basis and pose possible hazards and threats to people's lives. Hence it allows people to defend themselves and enhance their quality of life.

Another aspect to consider is that there aren't enough mediums for individuals to learn about the concerns. Because the publications that usually cover these topics, such as newspapers and magazines, are not regularly read by the general public, especially young people. The best method to reach out to them and pass on information, whether directly or indirectly, is through entertainment programmes. Even if a portion of the show's time is devoted to educational programming, this would have a ripple effect on society at large.

In a way, it might also be true that such inclusion would jeopardize the essence of the programs. However, program directors' creativity can assist in delivering the social message while still protecting the program's core in a unique way.



To conclude, popular entertainment programmes are the most successful means of reaching and influencing the public. Hence inclusion of social awareness segments is a laudable initiative from the program owner

## Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that all TV programmes should aim to educate viewers about important social issues?

(or)

- Do you disagree that all TV programmes should aim to educate viewers about important social issues?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** - It is widely discussed that all well-known television shows should attempt to raise public awareness about social concerns.

**Opinion** - In my opinion, such initiatives by well-known entertainment shows are necessary. The main reason for my viewpoint is that the general public extensively watches all popular entertainment programmes.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain my point of view.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Topic:** How TV Programs can help increase awareness about social issues

#### Supporting points:

- Reaches the masses
- Subliminally informs and raises awareness
- Helps enhance quality of life

### Body Paragraph 2:



**Topic:** Consumed by the masses

**Supporting points:**

- Best method to reach out to people
- Ripple effect on society

**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that popular entertainment programmes are the most successful means of reaching and influencing the public by spreading awareness and supported the side taken in the introduction.



## Essay 6

To succeed in a business, one needs to know math's. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

People have regularly shared their ideas for success in business. Many individuals feel that mathematics is essential for commercial success. In my opinion, I disagree with this concept. I believe that in order to thrive in business, one must have proper managerial skills. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain my point of view.

Many people believe that it is essential to excel in math's to be a great businessman. Math aids in gaining a good understanding of computations and figures. However, it's not true. One can always hire employees like accountants and financial experts to manage the business flow. The recruited personnel are specialists in their professions and can assist owners in predicting future earnings and losses.

Additionally, the business owner who does not even understand basic math can avoid being duped by their staff by purchasing business plan software's. Entrepreneurs just have to put in the appropriate numbers and the software will generate professional results. Besides that, the success of the firm is determined by the owners' managerial abilities, organizational skills, and capability to use employees for maximum efficiency. Furthermore, entrepreneurs must possess excellent leadership qualities, such as the ability to establish a clear company strategy and vision. Above all, an entrepreneur should be aware of their own strengths and weaknesses, as well as what they can contribute to the table.

However, it might be true that the nature of business involves calculations for monetary transactions. Therefore, all the activities in a company are indirectly related to math's, and not having the basic knowledge of math's is a significant disadvantage. Irrespective of this common belief, the recent technological advancements do not allow math's to impede anybody's success.



To sum up, commercial success is based not only on math but also on proper resource management in organizations.

## Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that if a business wants to succeed, they need to know math's?

(or)

- Do you disagree that if a business wants to succeed, they need to know math's?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** - Many individuals feel that mathematics is essential for commercial success.

**Opinion** - Though I don't agree with this concept, I believe that in order to thrive in business, one must have proper managerial skills.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain my point of view.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Topic:** Ways additional resources besides math's can help to run a business.

#### Supporting points:

- Using additional help like hiring experts
- Recruiting specialists

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Topic:** Requirement of additional skills for business

#### Supporting points:

- Business software that help



- Importance of managerial and organizational skills
- Leadership qualities that help

**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that success of the business is not just based on math but also on proper resource management of resources and supported the side taken in the introduction.



## Essay 7

Some educators believe that every child should be taught how to play a musical instrument. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Many educators have been insisting on teaching students a musical instrument along with academic education to improve manual dexterity. As far as my opinion is concerned, I agree with this notion to a great extent as this method of learning is helpful in enhancing cognitive ability. In the next few paragraphs, I will be explaining my point of view.

There are multifarious advantages to learning a musical instrument from a young age. To begin with, playing an instrument can improve hand-eye coordination. To do so, a lot of time and practice is required. Consequently, this type of devotion fills up children with focus and patience. For instance, one of the studies conducted by the Oxford University has revealed that those students who are adept at playing a musical instrument generally perform much better in manual skills than those who don't know how to play.

Besides, as per the advanced research, early knowledge of playing musical instruments leads to an enhanced memory potential and learning abilities. It stimulates different parts of the brain development. Moreover, playing a musical instrument also teaches patience to children as they invest a lot of time learning to control the beats and different parts of the instruments.

However, if children are pressurized to hone their musical skills, they may feel overburdened. Thus, teaching these instruments at a young age to those who are literally interested in it can do wonders.

In conclusion, I firmly reiterate that learning a musical instrument at a young age can help enhance social skills and the concentration level.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that every child should be taught how to play a musical instrument?

(or)



- Do you disagree with the fact that every child should be taught how to play a musical instrument?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** - Many educators have been insisting on teaching students a musical instrument along with academic education to improve manual dexterity.

**Opinion** - As far as my opinion is concerned, I agree with this notion to a great extent as this method of learning is helpful in enhancing cognitive ability.

**A thesis statement** - In the next few paragraphs, I will be explaining my point of view.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Topic:** Benefits of learning musical instruments

#### **Supporting points:**

- Part of country's culture
- Brings children closer to roots
- Improves communication and social skills
- Improve interactive skills

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Topic:** Benefits of learning musical instruments

#### **Supporting points:**

- Enhances memory potential
- Develops learning abilities
- Teaches patience to children

### **Conclusion:**

Reiterated that musical instruments help improve social skills and concentration levels and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 8

In many countries, traditional foods are being replaced by fast food. This has a negative impact on families, individuals and societies. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Nowadays, the newer generation is more interested in fast food than their native food items. This particular adaptation is not just detrimental for families but individuals and societies as whole too. I totally agree with this statement as losing interest in the traditional food may detach them from their culture. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain my point of view.

Undoubtedly, junk foods are regarded as one of the preferred meals of the majority of people. However, this type of diet is least suggested by health advisors and dieticians. Also, these food products and beverages are liable for a gamut of emerging diseases, obesity being one of them. For instance, burgers and pizzas have a humongous amount of fat. Despite being scrumptious, they can lead to an increase in weight, resulting in negative impacts on the health.

Traditional food comprises a balanced amount of vitamins, proteins, and more such essential nutrients, which are essential for us to consume and be active and fit. Thus, these types of food items keep us away from unwanted diseases and help us be more productive while keeping dizziness and lethargy at bay. Not to mention, the spices and other ingredients available in the Indian food contain a variety of medicinal properties that safeguard our immune system. For instance, having a glass of milk with turmeric once a day can do wonders for our body.

Despite all the advantages, I am also aware of the other side of the story as fast food items are quick to be prepared and don't consume a lot of time.

Wrapping it up, it is evident that our priority should be to stay healthy and active while refraining from indulging in such activities that may cause trouble and stress. For this specific reason, going with traditional food rather than unhealthy, fast food should be the first priority.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,



- Do you agree that traditional foods are being replaced by fast food?

(or)

- Do you disagree with the fact that traditional foods are being replaced by fast food?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** - The newer generation is more interested in fast food than their native food items. This particular adaptation is not just detrimental for families but individuals and societies as a whole.

**Opinion** - I totally agree with this statement as losing interest in the traditional food may detach them from their culture.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain my point of view.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Topic:** Disadvantages of junk food

#### **Supporting points:**

- Liable for a gamut of emerging diseases
- Have humongous amount of fat
- Leads to increase in weight
- Leave negative impacts on health

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Topic:** Benefits of traditional food

#### **Supporting points:**

- Comprises a balanced amount of vitamins, proteins and more
- Keep us away from unwanted diseases
- Helps us be more productive
- Spices contain a variety of medicinal properties



**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that our priority should be to stay healthy and active while refraining from indulging in such activities that may cause trouble and stress and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 9

Some think the current generation should take steps to protect the environment for the next generation. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Currently, a majority of people are of the opinion that the youngsters should take some considerable measures to protect the environment for future generations. I firmly agree with this perception as human beings must take responsibility for their actions and have a vision of how the future would look for their offspring. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I will be presenting my views.

It is evident that environmental issues, in the present scenario, have reached a specific level where they cannot be taken for granted anymore. In fact, if no immediate actions are taken to counter the threateningly uprising issues of the environment, there is a possibility that the upcoming generations may have to experience an ecological catastrophe. Such ecological situations will increase the level of diseases and related deaths. Additionally, mammals and other species will get impacted along with vegetation. Not to mention - a humongous number of plants and animals will be at risk of extinction. Besides, humankind's survival may turn into a huge concern as well.

Apart from all the reasons mentioned above, the general public and authorities should be completely responsible and aware of the consequences of their actions on the environment. Everybody must take responsibility for their actions as the upcoming generation should not suffer the heritage destruction caused by our irresponsible actions. For instance, if the current generation, in pursuit of materialistic pleasure and societal status, destroys the natural habitats of animals and leaves the earth polluted, the consequences will not be fair for future citizens.

While I am aware of the fact that everything is not possible by the current generation and that they have got their own issues; nonetheless saving the environment for the upcoming generation should be the priority.

In conclusion, I completely agree that the present-day generation must take actions to protect the environment for the forthcoming generations because people are liable for the natural heritage that they are going to leave to ensure that their progeny does not suffer from any severe ecological issues.



## Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that the current generation should take steps to protect the environment for the next generation?

(or)

- Do you disagree with the fact that the current generation should take steps to protect the environment for the next generation?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** - Currently, a majority of people are of the opinion that the youngsters should take some considerable measures to protect the environment for future generations.

**Opinion** - I firmly agree with this perception as human beings must take responsibility for their actions and have a vision of how the future would look for their offspring.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I will be presenting my views.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Topic:** The present situation

#### Supporting points:

- Upcoming generation may experience an ecological catastrophe
- Such ecological situation will increase the diseases and deaths
- Negative effect on mammals and other species
- Impact on vegetation, plants and animals

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Topic:** Present generation should be responsible

#### Supporting points:

- General public and authorities should be responsible and aware of the consequences



- Everybody must take the responsibility
- The upcoming generation should not suffer the heritage destruction

**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that the present-day generation must take actions to protect the environment and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 10

Some countries invest in specialized sports facilities for top athletes but not for the average person. Is this a positive or a negative development?

### Sample Answer

A certain number of nations allocate funds for professional athletic facilities, which are available only for first-class sportspeople, but not for ordinary citizens. In my opinion, it is rather an unfavourable development than a positive one. In the upcoming paragraphs, I will be explaining my point of view in detail.

First, the government should take care of the health and physical development of all citizens and not only sports elites. This is because every working citizen pays taxes and should have equal rights for social amenities, including specialized sports centres. Thus, funding of special-purpose sports facilities might be considered social inequality, especially if they were not available for a regular person. For example, when I had decided to start jogging, I was completely frustrated by the fact that a running ring with an excellent soft covering was not allowed for training if a person was not a member of the national team.

Some people might argue that top athletes should have priority because they represent a country on the world stage. Despite the fact that international competitions and the reputation of the country are important, investing in professionals' needs only does not pay off in the long term because the construction and maintenance of sports halls are highly expensive. Meanwhile, modern society has other crucial issues, which are in need of funds, such as the health care system, city infrastructure, and environmental issues.

While I understand how important it is to equip top athletes to help them perform better, investing every single penny on them is not acceptable.

In conclusion, I think that the latest tendency among certain governments to invest in sports facilities for superior sportspersons leaving average people behind is a negative trend because every citizen should have equal rights. Moreover, in terms of revenue from international events, funding these elite sport objects is not profitable.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,



- Do you agree that the countries should invest in specialized sports facilities for top athletes and not for the average person?

(or)

- Do you disagree with the fact that countries should invest in specialized sports facilities for top athletes but for the average person too?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** -A certain number of nations allocate funds for professional athletic facilities, which are available only for first-class sportspeople, but not for ordinary citizens.

**Opinion** - In my opinion, it is rather an unfavourable development than a positive one.

**A thesis statement** - In the upcoming paragraphs, I will be explaining my point of view in detail.

#### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Topic:** Health and physical development of all citizens

#### **Supporting points:**

- Government should take care of the health and physical development
- Working citizens pay taxes
- Funding of special-purpose sports facilities could be social inequality

#### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Topic:** Investing in professionals' needs may not pay off in the long run

#### **Supporting points:**

- Construction and maintenance of sports halls are expensive
- Modern society has other crucial issues

#### **Conclusion:**



Reiterated that the latest tendency among certain governments to invest in sports facilities for superior sportspersons leaving average people behind is a negative trend and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 11

Studies show that crime rates are lower among those with educational degrees. Therefore, the best way to reduce the crime rate is to educate criminals while they are still in prison. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Undoubtedly, lack of education and employment opportunities are two of the primary causes behind the alarmingly increasing crime rates. Therefore, some people believe that merely educating criminals can discourage them from committing further crimes once they are out of prison. In my opinion, I believe it is true, and I agree with this view. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I will be explaining my views.

As they say, nobody is a born criminal. Most of the time, people become victims of their situations, turning toward this wrong path. In fact, most of the people have poor strata as their backgrounds; hence, they don't get to have proper education. This results in lesser employment opportunities as well. Eventually, many of them turn into gangsters or thieves. In contrast, such criminal tendencies can be seen lower in those who are educated.

Educating convicted criminals in prison will certainly not erase their shoddy past. However, it improves their chances of finding employment once they get released. One of the biggest problems that ex-prisoners face is the lack of rehabilitation opportunities. Society prefers to keep them at arm's length, and as such, they have fewer opportunities for making a living once they complete their sentence. Unfortunately, this increases their chances of getting into crime again. Education may change the situation for good. If prisoners receive an opportunity to learn and acquire vocational or academic degrees from prison, they are more likely to find employment upon their release. When they have a secure job and a means of living, most people will not want to get into crime again.

However, in a way, it might also be true that mentality plays an essential role in the behaviour of a person; education is one such thing that leaves a significant impression behind.

To conclude, education improves a person's employability. Just because someone is a prisoner, it does not mean that they cannot learn or acquire degrees. In fact, educating prisoners is one of the best things we can do for their rehabilitation and successful induction into society.



## Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that to reduce the crime rate, it is better to educate criminals while they are still in prison?

(or)

- Do you disagree with the fact that to reduce the crime rate, it is better to educate criminals while they are still in prison?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** - Lack of education and employment opportunities are two of the primary causes behind the alarmingly increasing crime rates.

**Opinion** - In my opinion, I believe it is true and I agree with this view.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I will be explaining my views.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Topic:** Nobody is a born criminal

#### Supporting points:

- People become victims of their situations
- People have poor strata as their backgrounds
- They don't get to have proper education
- Results in lesser employment opportunities

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Topic:** Educating convicted criminals will improve their chances of finding employment

#### Supporting points:

- Lack of rehabilitation opportunities
- Fewer opportunities for making a living once they complete their sentence



- Education can change the situation
- Receiving vocational and academic degrees from prison increases the chances of employment

**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that education improves a person's employability and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 12

Many educational institutions give greater importance to subjects related to science and ignore subjects such as drama and literature. Is this a positive or a negative development?

### Sample Answer

It is becoming increasingly common for schools across the globe to concentrate on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) to the detriment of the humanities. I believe that it is a logically motivated decision and overall leaves a negative trend on people. In the next few paragraphs, I will be highlighting my point of view.

One of the negative aspects about this scenario is that STEM-oriented fields get overvalued. This enhances pressure on those who are looking forward to developing a career in a completely different domain. Moreover, this over emphasis on science, somehow, translates less art in the world. It is evident that from a rigidly utilitarian perception, resources must get allocated to a field that has the most economic value.

However, life is way more than somebody's potential of earning a higher amount. If the proportion of those excelling in humanities falls, the world will have fewer musicians, writers, filmmakers, sculptors, painters, and other such artists. Science can, undoubtedly, create a convenient life. But art helps people lead a fulfilling, satisfied life. The results of such a decline may not be apparent for generations, but if the funding gets slashed for arts programs, the world will turn culturally poor and will die down under the burden of technology.

While STEM subjects, undoubtedly, allow people to grab high-paying jobs, concentrating completely on these subjects could be a great loss to society.

In conclusion, the jobs available for science majors explains their dominance but if looked at from a universal point of view, this trend will create a world devoid of great artists. Therefore, it is important to balance the funding.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that educational institutions give greater importance to subjects related to science and ignore subjects such as drama and literature?



(or)

- Do you disagree with the fact that educational institutions give greater importance to subjects related to science and ignore subjects such as drama and literature?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** - It is becoming increasingly common for schools across the globe to concentrate on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) to the detriment of the humanities.

**Opinion** - I believe that it is a logically motivated decision and overall leaves a negative trend on people.

**A thesis statement** - In the next few paragraphs, I will be highlighting my point of view.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Topic:** The negative effects

#### **Supporting points:**

- Jobs getting overvalued
- Puts more pressure on those with a different career path
- Less art in the world

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Topic:** Over emphasis on science translates less art in the world

#### **Supporting points:**

- Life is more than the potential of earning high
- Art helps people lead a fulfilling life

### **Conclusion:**

Reiterating that the jobs available for science majors explains their dominance but if looked at from a universal point of view, this trend will create a world devoid of great artists and support the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 13

Some people think that it is a waste of time for high school students to study literature, such as novels and poems. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

In the present scenario, many people think that learning literature should not be an essential part of the high school curriculum. However, in my opinion, literature still serves a significant purpose. I will be explaining this in the forthcoming paragraphs.

The ones supporting this thought believe that other subjects should get more attention. There is no denying the fact that in the 21st century, the most important subjects for students' future careers are related to the sciences, such as engineering and computer science, or the practical humanities, like business. By choosing the trending subject, students can start early to beat the competition and grab a well-paying job, just after completing high school or college. In contrast, the novels and poems that students read in high school are usually completely forgotten within a few years and don't teach any practical skills to help them earn well in the real world.

Despite this, the literature contains many important and fundamental truths about the human condition. Life is way more about a secure job and a high-paying career. This can be proved right from the fact that authors handle the philosophical and psychological side of life. For instance, the exploration of man's search for meaning is related to everybody and cannot be replaced with an established career. Also, the way writers develop their writing helps impart the importance of artistic expressions among readers. In addition to this, it also helps readers experience a different world in comparison to the materialistic world that they are used to.

While those who don't support the importance of novels might be claiming the same with a full-proof logic, irrespective of the argument, literature offers a different sense to the young mind, which further opens the doors to creativity and imagination.

In conclusion, the benefits of studying practical subjects don't outweigh the deeper values of literature. It is therefore advisable that literature should be emphasised and taught in high school classrooms.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that it is a waste of time for high school students to study literature, such as novels or poems?



(or)

- Do you disagree with the fact that it is a waste of time for high school students to study literature, such as novels or poems?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** - In the present scenario, many people claim that learning literature should no longer be an essential part of the high school curriculum.

**Opinion** - In my opinion, literature still serves a significant purpose.

**A thesis statement** - I will be explaining this in the forthcoming paragraphs.

#### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Topic:** Most important subjects are related to science

#### **Supporting points:**

- Other subjects get more attention
- Students choose trending subjects to secure a well-paying job
- Novels and poems are usually forgotten as don't teach practical skills

#### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Topic:** Literature contains important truths about humans

#### **Supporting points:**

- Life is more than acquiring a career
- Great authors deal with philosophical and psychological side of life
- Exploration of issues is relevant to everyone

#### **Conclusion:**

Reiterated that the benefits of studying practical subjects don't outweigh the deeper values of literature and support the side taken in the introduction.



## Essay 14

Whether or not a person achieves their aims in life is mostly related to luck. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

It is argued that luck is the key to some people's success. As achievement is only attributed to hard work and determination, I completely disagree with this opinion. I will be explaining my point of view in the forthcoming paragraphs.

If success was free, everyone would have it. In fact, there are only a few successful individuals because they are determined and industrious. The harder people work on their dreams, the more confident they become. Those who lack self-esteem also lack determination and end up losing hope, resulting in failure. For instance, Thomas Edison, one of the greatest inventors in the 20th century, conducted thousands of failed experiments with the filament until the finest light bulb was produced. His success is made by his hard work rather than luck. Another clear case of success through determination is Nguyen Ngoc Ky, a disabled man. He could not write by hand; however, with his determination and hard work, he was able to write on his feet and became a successful teacher.

Luck does not play a role in one's achievements. It is just a state of mind, so if people are dependent on luck they could never be successful. For instance, a student who does not study for an exam, might fail. Moreover, it is clear that a person who wins a lottery, might soon lose all of his or her money as it does not require anything to achieve.

Sure, people have been prioritizing luck and destiny since ages and it does play a vital part. However in all senses, hardwork and determination always overpower an unlucky situation.

In conclusion, for all the reasons I have mentioned above, I believe that to become a successful person at the end of the day, people must be hardworking and determined to work on their dream, rather than rely on luck.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that a person achieving their aim in life is mostly related to luck?

(or)



- Do you disagree with the fact that a person achieving their aim in life is mostly related to luck?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

### Question Paraphrased –

**Opinion** - As achievement is only attributed to hard work and determination, I completely disagree with this opinion.

**A thesis statement** - I will be explaining my point of view in the forthcoming paragraphs.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Topic:** There are only a few successful people

#### Supporting points:

- If success was free, everyone would have it
- Only a few successful people are determined and industrious
- Those who lack self-esteem also lack determination

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Topic:** Luck does not play a role in achievement

#### Supporting points:

- Luck is a state of mind
- People dependent on luck can never be successful

### Conclusion:

Reiterated that to become a successful person at the end of the day, people must be hardworking and determined and support the side taken in the introduction.



## Essay 15

Some think that it is more important for children to engage in outdoor activities instead of playing video games. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

It is vital that teenagers take part in outdoor sporting events rather than spending time on gaming consoles. This essay agrees with this statement because this trend will help children to keep fit and playing sports will make them better human beings.

Firstly, outdoor activities are physically demanding, and when teenagers engage themselves in these events, it will make them physically healthy. This is because taking part in outdoor events strengthens their bones and muscles. Therefore, it leads to children having a life free from diseases, such as being overweight. As an illustration, a recent study by Cambridge University found that children who take part in sporting events are more likely to live a healthy life than those who do not.

Secondly, playing outdoor games will make children a better overall person when they become adults. This is because while playing group games, teenagers learn different traits like leadership, coordination and cooperation. These skills will help them in the later stages of life when they will be required to work as a team. These skills cannot be learnt by children who play video games only. For example, in the US, it is mandatory for all students to take part in outdoor games because authorities believe that teenagers become better citizens by playing outdoor games like football, baseball.

While video games do help with technological development and creativity, it's also true that they pose unwanted health risks.

In conclusion, it is very important that children must take part in outdoor games because this will make them physically strong and they are more likely to become good people.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that it is more important for children to engage in outdoor activities instead of playing video games?

(or)



- Do you disagree with the fact that it is more important for children to engage in outdoor activities instead of playing video games?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** - It is vital that teenagers take part in outdoor sporting events rather than spending time on gaming consoles.

**Opinion** - This essay agrees with this statement because this trend will help children to keep fit and playing sports will make them better human beings.

**A thesis statement** - In the next few paragraphs, I will be explaining my point of view.

#### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Topic:** Outdoor activities are physically demanding

#### **Supporting points:**

- Teenagers engage themselves in these events
- Taking part in outdoor events strengthens their bones and muscles
- Children lead a life free from diseases

#### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Topic:** Playing outdoor games make children better

#### **Supporting points:**

- Teenagers learn different traits while playing group games
- Skills help them in the later stages of life
- Helpful in later stage of life

#### **Conclusion:**

Reiterated that it is very important that children must take part in outdoor games because this will make them physically strong and support the side taken in the introduction.



## Essay 16

Some people think that the most important function of music is to help people relax. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Nowadays the music industry has grown dramatically and has become one of the most popular hobbies of many people. Many believe that one of the most characteristics of melody is to help people become calm and reduce stress. I completely agree with this opinion and think that music is the nutrition of the spirits, which is why people can benefit from listening to the melody. In the next few paragraphs, I will be explaining my point of view.

First of all, there is no second doubt that music is needed and everyone listens to music at least once a day, and it helps individuals reduce their stress after a stressful long day. Music has the magical power of reducing stress for those who work under pressure. Moreover, it is known that music has been used as a healing method to treat some mental health issues. For example, mental health facilities use music as a method of treatment to heal clients who have mental tiredness, such as depression and anxiety, and the result shows that people who listened to music are thinking more positively and feeling much better than before.

Secondly, the most significant advantage of music is that it helps people who need focus and concentration, such as doctors, pilots and engineers. In other words, these jobs need high precision calculations, and if not, it can cause losing money, wasting time and even death. For instance, a surgery doctor has to concentrate when he does the operation, if he is not calm, he might not focus while doing the operation, and it can cost the patient's life. Thus, music is an essential need for people who have to pay more attention to their job.

While it's true that some people may find it difficult to concentrate with high-music on, the benefits are far more effective than the drawbacks.

In conclusion, people could benefit from listening to music to relax, and music can be used to heal some mental health problems, and also can help people who need high focus and concentration in their jobs.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,



- Do you agree that music helps people relax?
- (or)
- Do you disagree with the fact that music helps people relax?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** - Nowadays, the music industry has grown dramatically and has become one of the most popular hobbies of many people. Many believe that one of the most characteristics of melody is to help people become calm and reduce stress.

**Opinion** - I completely agree with this opinion and think that music is the nutrition of the spirits, which is why people can benefit from listening to the melody.

**A thesis statement** - In the next few paragraphs, I will be explaining my point of view.

#### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Topic:** Music is a requirement

#### **Supporting points:**

- Music helps decrease stress after a long day
- Used as a healing method to treat mental health issues
- Used in mental health facilities to heal clients dealing with depression and anxiety

#### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Topic:** Music helps people focus and concentrate

#### **Supporting points:**

- Helps those professionals who need focus and concentration
- Jobs with high precision calculations are benefitted from music
- Being calm and focussed go hand in hand

**Conclusion:**



Reiterated that people would benefit from listening to music to relax and music can be used to heal some mental health problems and supported the side taken in the introduction.

## Essay 17

People buy a product if it fulfills their needs; there is no need for advertisement. To what extent do you agree or disagree with it?

### Sample Answer

It is widely believed that advertisement serves no purpose as people purchase products according to their needs. But, I completely disagree with this statement. According to me advertisements provide information about the new and upcoming products in the market. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain how advertisements at times help to form better choices about the products.

Firstly, advertisements help to create awareness about new and upgraded products in the market. It helps keep the consumer updated about the variety of products available in the market at affordable prices. For example, advertisements helped Kindle to promote its business to a wide range of customers. Similarly, through advertisements, new companies get a chance to endorse their products to unknown consumers and increase their reach.

Secondly, advertisements can be beneficial for both sellers and consumers. Sellers can promote their goods and services through advertisements, and consumers can know the information of goods and discount deals in the market. Moreover, it helps consumers to make more informed decisions. Also, consumers grow aware of brands that cater their needs better from the advertisements. It also helps businesses to build brand recognition.

Although advertisements help create awareness, they induce a sense of urgency and desire by targeting the consumer's psychology.

In conclusion, companies certainly fool their consumers through fancy advertisements. But I can't entirely agree with the belief that advertisements do not serve any purpose. Indeed, there are good and bad advertisements. Still, it plays a very significant role in society by helping companies create more awareness amongst the consumers about the availability of products.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,



- Do you agree that there is no need for advertisements as people buy products if it fulfills their needs?

(or)

- Do you disagree that there is no need for advertisements as people buy products if it fulfills their needs?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** - It is widely believed that advertisement serves no purpose as people purchase products according to their needs.

**Opinion** - But, I completely disagree with this statement. According to me advertisements provide information about the new and upcoming products in the market.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain how advertisements at times help to form better choices about the products.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Topic:** Benefits of advertisement

#### Supporting points:

- Creates awareness
- Helps to better choice about improved products
- Increase business reach

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Topic:** Benefits of advertisement

#### Supporting points:

- Beneficial for sellers and consumers
- Promotes products well
- Helps in decision making

### Conclusion:



Reiterated that advertisements help to create better product awareness and supported the side taken in introduction.

## Essay 18

Some people think that the government should invest more money in teaching science than other subjects to make progress. Do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

The kind of growth and development observed in the science sector has seized the attention of certain individuals, and they believe that the government should allot more funds for science subjects over other subjects. Since scientific development is essential for a country, I can't entirely disagree with allotting significant funds for science subjects. In the following paragraphs, I shall explain why it is necessary to allocate more funds for science subjects.

It is undeniable that science has contributed to the development of the whole world. It has also improved the quality of life by introducing new electrical and computer systems. For example, with the help of a computer system, we can now work efficiently. It has helped us discover various ways to resolve issues like fossil energy extinction by introducing renewable energy. Moreover, it has also made life easier for people by producing electrical appliances such as washing machines, refrigerators, and other appliances.

Moreover, there are numerous reasons why governments should allot more money into teaching science to boost the country and society's functions. Such as youngsters who are equipped with fundamental knowledge related to science, will be able to broaden their own knowledge to discover something new. By allocating more funds to science, the government can improve its scope of research in fields such as medicine and astronomy, which will help the country prosper.

Although the study of other subjects such as arts and commerce also contribute to the national interest, science has an unimpeachable position.

To summarise, science has made significant developments in the past few years, which is the reason why I believe that the government should allocate more funds for science subjects.



## Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that the government should invest more money in teaching science than other subjects to make progress?

(or)

- Do you disagree that the government should invest more money in teaching science than other subjects to make progress?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** - The kind of growth and development observed in the science sector has seized the attention of certain individuals, and they believe that the government should allot more funds for science subjects over other subjects.

**Opinion** - Since scientific development is essential for a country, I can't entirely disagree with allotting significant funds for science subjects.

**A thesis statement** - In the following paragraphs, I shall explain why it is necessary to allocate more funds for science subjects.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Topic:** importance of science subject

#### Supporting points:

- Contributes to the development of the world
- Improves quality of life
- Provides better facilities

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Topic:** importance of science subjects

#### Supporting points:

- Broaden the knowledge to develop new things



- Improves research scope

**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that it is necessary to allocate more funds in science subjects and supported the side taken in introduction.

## Essay 19

Although there is a lot of translation software available, learning a language still could be advantageous. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Language translation software programs have gained popularity in recent times due to developments in the science and technology sector. Due to this development, web-based language translation applications have grown in the past few years. But learning a language from a human instructor can be far beneficial. I agree with the statement that there are manifold benefits in learning a language. In the subsequent paragraphs, I shall explain why learning a language from a human instructor is beneficial.

Language translation apps are becoming increasingly famous nowadays because they are free and easily accessible. But there are a variety of reasons why learning a language is essential. Primarily, learning a language has innumerable benefits. People who speak more than one language have improved memory, problem-solving and critical thinking skills and acquire the ability to multitask. Also, there are still certain parts of the world where internet facilities are not available. Softwares for translation are not available in such places. Learning a new language becomes necessary in these scenarios.

Secondly, the translations provided by these web-based translators are word to word translations. It merely gives the meaning of the word and fails to provide the true essence of the sentence. Translations apps are built in such a way that they cannot understand the slang and idioms used by people in everyday life. In contrast, an instructor can help you understand the true significance of a sentence. Sometimes there are multiple meanings to one word, and translation apps fail to convey its exact meaning. As a result, it can cause a lot of confusion and misunderstanding.

Even though web-based translation softwares are readily available and pocket friendly, they fail to provide the true meaning of the sentences.



To sum up, translation tools are not reliable. It fails to provide the sentences' accurate meaning, and one should not rely on language translation apps just because they are readily available.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that even though there are a lot of language translation softwares available, learning a language still could be advantageous?
- (or)
- Do you disagree that even though there are a lot of language translation softwares available, learning a language still could be advantageous?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

#### Introduction:

**Question Paraphrased** - Language translation software programs have gained popularity in recent times due to developments in the science and technology sector. However, there are many translation apps available on mobile phones and laptops. But learning a language from an instructor can be far beneficial.

**Opinion** - I agree with the statement that there are manifold benefits in learning a language.

**A thesis statement** - In the subsequent paragraphs, I shall explain why learning a language through a human instructor is beneficial.

#### Body Paragraph 1:

**Topic:** Why web-based translators are unreliable

##### Supporting points:

- Knowledge acquisition is necessary
- Internet unavailable in certain parts of the world

#### Body Paragraph 2:

**Topic:** Why learning a language is necessary

**Supporting points:**

- Translator apps are unreliable
- Fails to provide true meaning of the sentences
- Human instructors are reliable

**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that translation software applications are unreliable and acquiring new language skills is necessary.



## Essay 20

Nowadays, celebrities are more famous for their glamour and wealth than for their achievements, and this has set a bad example for young people. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Presently famous personalities are more known for their luxurious lifestyle and richness than their talents and performances, which negatively influences the younger generation. I entirely agree that famous personalities are a bad influence. In the subsequent paragraphs, I shall explain how famous personalities set bad examples for young people.

Firstly, some personalities are only famously known for their richness and attractive lifestyle, and often it adversely affects the psyche of the younger generation. They make you think it is mandatory to look graceful and must buy expensive products. Their acting skills might be mediocre, but they have become a sensation through the public display of their materialistic wealth and charming lifestyle. At times these personalities end up engaging in habits like smoking, excessive drinking, or drugs, which negatively influence the younger generation.

Additionally, celebrities have a harmful effect on the self-esteem of young people. Celebrities commonly display and associate beauty with perfect bodies. When youngsters see that, they want to look like them. While trying to imitate them and grow thin, youngsters develop eating disorders. Also, dissatisfaction among youngsters to live-like celebrities often leads to seriously negative health consequences.

Besides the fact that certain good personalities like Bill Gates and Ratan Tata inspire youngsters to achieve their goals through hard work and dedication, there are a significant majority of celebrities who are hypocritical.

To sum up, famous personalities do negatively influence the youth through their public display of wealth and unhealthy habits which harm the mental health of the younger generation.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that celebrities are more famous for their glamour and wealth than for their achievements, and this has set a bad example for young people?



(or)

- Do you disagree that celebrities are more famous for their glamour and wealth than for their achievements, and this has set a bad example for young people?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

### **Introduction:**

**Question Paraphrased** - Presently famous personalities are more known for their luxurious lifestyle and richness than their talents and performances, which is putting a bad influence on the younger generation.

**Opinion** - I entirely agree that famous personalities are a bad influence.

**A thesis statement** - In the subsequent paragraphs, I shall explain how famous personalities set bad examples for young people.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Topic:** Negative influence of famous personalities

#### **Supporting points:**

- Alluring lifestyle
- Public display of materialistic wealth
- Presentation of unhealthy lifestyle

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Topic:** Negative influence of famous personalities

#### **Supporting points:**

- Harmful effect on self-esteem of young people
- Dissatisfaction to achieve similar lifestyle
- Negative health consequences

### **Conclusion:**



Supported the side taken in introduction by reiterating that famous personalities are certainly setting a bad influence on youngsters



## Essay 21

Nowadays young people are admiring media and sports stars, even though they do not set a good example. Do you think this is a positive or negative development?

### Sample Answer

Admiration of media and sports personalities are gaining increasing popularity among the young generation despite their negative influence. I firmly believe that this is a negative development. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain why blind admiration of media and sports personalities can lead to many pressing repercussions.

The young generation admires these media and sports personalities because of their public display of wealth and charming lifestyle. Youngsters try to replicate the lifestyle of these personalities by overlooking their parents paying capacity. Many celebrities have become an overnight sensation because of their excessive spending capacity.

Moreover, while trying to replicate the same lifestyle, the younger generation fails miserably and loses handsome money. When these youngsters cannot replicate these personalities' lifestyles, they develop hatred and indulge in crime, drugs and get depressed. Also, it severely affects their mental health. Another example of lousy influence is NFL star, Tom Brady. Tom Brady is a famous football player who has won numerous championships, but last year he was in the headlines because he was caught deflating air out of footballs before each game to make them easier to catch. Now youngsters all over the world believe that it's perfectly fine to cheat to win a game.

Although humble and down to earth personalities do exist, they are a relatively small number.

To sum up, media and sports personalities' admiration is a negative development because the younger generation fails to understand that there is a very thin line between admiration and obsession. Also, the younger generation needs to recognize that the media is deceitful.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Nowadays young people are admiring media and sports stars, even though they do not set a good example. Do you think it's a positive development?  
(or)



- Nowadays young people are admiring media and sports stars, even though they do not set a good example. Do you think it's a negative development?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

### **Introduction:**

#### **Question Paraphrased -**

Admiration of media and sports personalities are gaining increasing popularity among the young generation despite their negative influence.

**Opinion** - I firmly believe that this is a negative development.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain why blind admiration of media and sports personalities can lead to many pressing repercussions.

#### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Topic:** Negative influence of sports and media personalities

#### **Supporting points:**

- Alluring lifestyle
- Replicating the lifestyle

#### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Topic:** Negative influence of sports and media personalities

#### **Supporting points:**

- Ignorant of failures and hard work
- Engaging in bad habits
- Positive and negative influence

### **Conclusion:**

Reiterated the aforementioned argument that blind admiration leads to pressing repercussions.



## Essay 22

Today, more and more people use robots to do tasks at home and at work. Do you think it is a positive or negative development? Why?

### Sample Answer

The use of technology is increasingly gaining popularity amongst various homemakers and businesses. I believe this a positive development because it is energy efficient and saves a lot of time. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain why robots have become a necessity in modern-day lives.

With so much advancement in technology in the past few years dependency of humans on robots has surged significantly. Robots have helped to improve the standard of living remarkably, such as performing the everyday tasks of household chores adequately enhanced with washing machines, dishwashers, and mixer grinders. Likewise, it has also improved the workspaces' environment with brilliant innovations. For example, working with heavy machinery or machinery that run at hot temperatures or sharp objects. It can injure human beings, but this risk can be avoided by delegating the task to robots.

Moreover, it is increasingly becoming popular because they can even perform mundane tasks in a very efficient manner. Robots, unlike humans, are not trained but specially designed to perform tasks, which increase their efficiency to perform tasks for hours. For example, driverless cars. Also, robots can also speed up their production processes as per the requirements. They can be mass produced and instantly duplicated.

Although switching to robots is easy, maintaining it is a more significant challenge as robots require energy and energy is already depleting at an accelerated rate. Also, it creates mass unemployment.

To conclude, robots are cheaper and more efficient than humans. They also improve the quality of life by saving a lot of time and making the easy day tasks less laborious.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Today, more and more people use robots to do tasks at home and at work. Do you think it's a positive development?

(or)



- Today, more and more people use robots to do tasks at home and at work. Do you think it's a negative development?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

### **Introduction:**

**Question Paraphrased** - The use of technology is increasingly gaining popularity amongst various homemakers and businesses.

**Opinion** - I believe this a positive development because it is energy efficient and saves a lot of time.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall discuss why robots have become a necessity in modern-day lives.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Topic: Necessity of Robots**

#### **Supporting points:**

- Advancement of technology
- Improves quality of life
- Energy efficient and safe
- Performs tasks adequately

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Topic: Necessity of Robots**

#### **Supporting points:**

- Easily accessible
- Great efficiency to perform a task for hours
- Can increase the productivity
- Performs mundane tasks efficiently



**Conclusion:**

Reiterated the importance of robots and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 23

In many countries, people wear more western-style clothes (suits and jeans) than their traditional clothes. Why? Is it a positive or negative development?

### Sample Answer

In recent times, western garments have gained more popularity amongst people over traditional clothes. It is undoubtedly a positive development, as western garments are more comfortable, easy to carry, and suitable for all body types. I believe this development exerts positive impacts on society. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain why western clothes are advantageous over traditional ones.

Much of the popularity of western clothes come from the media industry. They attract individuals from all over the world. One of the reasons people switch to western clothes is that they are easily accessible and you can practically buy these clothes from any shop. Another advantage is that they are cost-effective. It can be effortlessly produced in large quantities by various machinery than hand-crafted garments, such as Indian kalamkari sarees and Japanese kimono.

Additionally, western clothes are easy to carry and can be purchased from any country. In today's world, where more and more people migrate to foreign countries to work or study, switching to western clothes makes them less vulnerable to dress-based discrimination. Moreover, it creates a sense of unity when working with people from different parts of the world. On the contrary, traditional outfits are not that readily available in many parts of the world.

Though some people believe that letting go of traditional clothes will be like discarding our own culture, wearing western garments like jeans, skirts and T-shirts give a global identity.

To sum up, switching to western clothes does not mean abandoning traditional garments. In fact, by adapting to modern attire, people feel more comfortable and connected to the rest of the world.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side.

So,



- In many countries, people wear more western-style clothes (suits and jeans) than their traditional clothes. Do you think it's a positive development?
- (or)
- In many countries, people wear more western-style clothes (suits and jeans) than their traditional clothes. Do you think it's a negative development?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

### **Introduction:**

**Question Paraphrased** - In recent times, western garments have gained more popularity amongst people over traditional garments.

**Opinion** - It is undoubtedly a positive development, as western garments are more comfortable, easy to carry, and suitable for all body types.

**A thesis statement** - I believe this development exerts positive impacts on society.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Topic: Popularity of western garments over traditional**

#### **Supporting points:**

- Easily accessible
- Cost effective
- Can be produced in large quantities

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Topic: Popularity of western garments over traditional**

#### **Supporting points:**

- Easy to carry
- Makes people less vulnerable to dress-based discriminations
- Sense of unity



**Conclusion:**

Reiterated the importance and comfort of western clothes over traditional clothes and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 24

Fast food is becoming one part of life everywhere; this has bad effects on our lifestyle and diet. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

It is undeniable that the consumption of junk food is increasingly becoming part of everyday life. Junk food has changed our eating habits and made us develop an increased risk of obesity and chronic diseases. I agree that people have started relying too much on fast food in terms of finding convenience, which has adversely affected human life. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain how fast-food leaves harmful effects on humans.

Numerous examples show how junk food is negatively affecting the lifestyle of people. Eating low-quality food causes various health diseases like obesity, depression, digestion issues, and stroke. Many people who consume junk food are aware of the negative health consequences but still cannot resist eating it. There are many other reasons why people cannot stop eating junk food. Because of the busy lives, people try to look for food that is easy to cook and readily available. As a result, people end up buying junk food despite negative consequences.

Further, junk food does not contain any nutrition, which is why youngsters lack proper growth and development. In the long run, it becomes dangerous. Because of the lack of appropriate nutrition in the diet, people suffer from various health issues. Moreover, junk food is an unhealthy substitute to home-cooked food, as it contains large amounts of saturated fats, calories, and salt. On the other hand, a healthy diet is essential for good health. It protects you against many chronic diseases such as heart diseases, diabetes and cancer. Eating a variety of fruits and vegetables are essential to promote the overall growth of the body.

Though junk foods are tasty and easy to obtain, it is undeniable that we are slowly poisoning ourselves by consuming them.

To summarise, overeating junk food certainly causes adverse effects and contributes to high cholesterol, obesity, and heart disease.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that adapting fast food to everyday life adversely affects people's diet and lifestyle?



(or)

- Do you disagree that adapting fast food to everyday life adversely affects people's diet and lifestyle?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** -It is undeniable that consumption of junk food is increasingly becoming part of everyday life. Eating junk food has changed our eating habits and made us prone to develop an increased risk of obesity and chronic diseases.

**Opinion** - I agree that people have started relying too much on fast food in terms of finding convenience, which has adversely affected human life.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraph, I shall explain how fast food leaves harmful effects on humans.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Topic:** How fast food affects the human body.

#### Supporting points:

- Causes harmful disease
- Easy to cook and readily available
- Issue of the negligence of people

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Topic:** How fast food affects the human body.

#### Supporting points:

- Lacks proper growth and development
- Lacks proper nutrition
- Contains large amount of saturated fats and calories
- Benefits of healthy diet

### Conclusion:

Reiterated that eating fast food can cause harmful effects on the human body and supported the side taken in the introduction.



## Essay 25

Some people think the spread of multinational companies and globalization produce positive outcomes for everyone. Do you agree or disagree with the statement?

### Sample Answer

Globalization has brought significant change and development to many companies across the world. It is the process of expanding the reach of the worldwide market for both companies and consumers to buy products and services from different countries. But some people believe that it produces a negative effect as well. I agree that Globalization is the reason why multinational companies are able to increase their reach. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain how globalization brings out positive outcomes for everyone.

Globalization has many advantages. It promotes global economic growth and makes companies more competitive and lowers prices for consumers. It also provides a chance for economic development in developing countries. When multinational companies start their operations in such countries, it results in a lot of employment opportunities. It also allows companies to find low-cost ways to produce their products.

Moreover, consumers also profit from Globalization. Products become cheaper, and quality goods are circulated quickly. On top of that, countries get connected and interdependent and developed countries experience an improved standard of living. It increases global competition, which drives prices down and creates a large variety of choices for consumers. Another advantage of globalization is that it promotes the spread of technology worldwide.

Though there are some disadvantages to Globalization, such as the exploitation of labour and human trafficking, it is without doubt that it acts as a unifying force.

To summarise, globalization provides various goods at cheaper rates. It creates job opportunities and lowers costs, helping people in both developed and developing countries live better on less money.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that the spread of multinational companies and globalization produce positive outcomes for everyone?



(or)

- Do you disagree that the spread of multinational companies and globalization produce positive outcomes for everyone?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Question Paraphrased** - Globalization has brought a significant change and development to many companies across the world. Globalization is the process of expanding the reach of the worldwide market for both companies and consumers to buy products and services from different countries. Whereas, some people believe that it produces a negative effect as well.

**Opinion** - I agree that Globalization is the reason multinational companies are able to increase their reach.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain how Globalization brings out positive outcomes for everyone.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Topic:** Positive effects of globalization

#### Supporting points:

- Promotes economic growth
- Provides employment opportunities
- Creates interdependence

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Topic:** Positive effects of globalization

#### Supporting points:

- Goods are circulated at cheaper rates
- Improved standard of living
- Availability of low-cost products

### Conclusion:



Reiterated that globalization has benefited both consumer and international companies and supported the side taken in the introduction.



## Essay 26

The key solution for the environmental issues is for the current generation to live a less comfortable life to benefit future generations. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

The world is bedeviled with monstrous environmental hazards like global warming and a rise in seawater levels. Some think that the best solution to the problem is that the current generation should sacrifice their comforts for the benefit of future generations. I do not deny that lifestyle changes are necessary, but this does not mean that the present generation has to sacrifice their comforts. The lifestyle changes may be beneficial for the current generation in many ways.

The lifestyle changes may not be onerous. For example, the government has banned the use of plastics. Shop owners have resorted to paper and cloth bags instead. This move has not reduced the comfort of the current generation in any manner. There is a change in lifestyle with no reduction in the comfort level. Another initiative from the government is planting trees and policing paper use. People are advised to take double side print outs. This is a welcome initiative as trees help to purify the air, which is beneficial for the environment. It improves air quality, and the current generation can breathe fresh air. By minimizing paper use, we are avoiding unnecessary felling of trees.

The government has also asked people to reduce the use of energy. It is a good practice to turn off the lights and unplug the chargers after use. Some electrical appliances are found to consume electricity even after being turned off. This is good for our pockets as well. Owning cars are indeed a symbol of an improved lifestyle. But we should become aware that we are emitting greenhouse gases into the atmosphere, which causes global warming and a rise in seawater levels. So, we should restrict the use of cars and use public transport as much as possible. This is economical to the car owner as well because he would be saving money on fuel.

Although it requires some effort from the current generation, they don't cause discomfort in any manner.

To conclude, it is true that the current generation has to make lifestyle changes to reduce environmental issues. But I disagree that these changes have to reduce the comfort level of the current generation. The truth is that the changes improve the standard of living of the current



generation. They are creating a better world without making any compromise on their comforts.

## Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that the current generation has to live a less comfortable life to reduce environmental issues?

(or)

- Do you disagree that the current generation has to live a less comfortable life to reduce environmental issues?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

### Introduction:

**Question Paraphrased** - The world is bedeviled with monstrous environmental hazards like global warming and rise in sea water levels. Some think that the best solution to the problem is that the current generation should sacrifice their comforts for the benefit of future generations.

**Opinion** - I do not deny that lifestyle changes are necessary, but this does not mean that the present generation has to sacrifice their comforts.

**A thesis statement** - The lifestyle changes may be beneficial for the current generation in many ways.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Central idea:** Go-Green initiatives are beneficial to people

### Supporting points:

- Plastics banned
- Planting trees
- Policing paper use

### Body Paragraph 2:



**Central idea:** Go-Green initiatives are beneficial to people

**Supporting points:**

- Being conscious of the use of energy
- Reducing the greenhouse gas emissions

**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that people continue to live comfortably albeit making lifestyle changes and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 27

Many scientists believe that now we can study the behavior of a three-year-old child to see whether they will grow up to be criminals. To what extent do you think crime is determined by human nature? Is it possible to stop children from growing up to be criminals?

### Sample Answer

Brain study has progressed significantly in the last decade. The human brain controls the functioning of the entire system and emotions are just a byproduct of the chemical activity in the brain. So, it is no wonder that scientists claim that they can predict propensity for criminal activities in a child by studying his/her brain at the early age of 3. Though external factors influence a child's behaviour, the innate qualities decide the character. So it is very right that scientific study of the brain can identify criminals at a tender age. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall delve deep into how brain study will help parents raise children in the right manner.

We have innumerable examples to show that a child need not be like his parent. A child born to a criminal may be a morally righteous person. A child born to good parents may involve in unlawful activities. So, it is the brain that decides the character and not the upbringing. In the present century, we are gifted with the option of conducting a brain analysis to determine the right way of taking care of a child.

Once it is detected that the child has an inclination towards crime, parents can decide the kind of education and nurturing they should receive. Parents can ensure that the child is taught the importance of moral values. They can also teach him/her about the consequences of breaking the law and instill a sense of fear for doing something wrong in the eyes of the law. They can also watch his peer group and, in fact, form one for him/her so that good people influence them. Having prior knowledge of the child's penchant will help the parent guide him in the right direction.

In conclusion, if scientific studies can determine the likelihood of criminal tendencies in a child. Parents should make use of this scientific development and decide the mode of children's upbringing to stop them from becoming criminals.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,



- Do you agree that we can study the behavior of a three-year-old child to see whether they will grow up to be criminals?

(or)

- Do you disagree that we can study the behavior of a three-year-old child to see whether they will grow up to be criminals?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

### Introduction:

**Question Paraphrased** - Brain study has progressed significantly in the last decade. The human brain controls the functioning of the entire system and emotions are just a byproduct of the chemical activity in the brain. So, it is no wonder that scientists claim that they can predict propensity for criminal activities in a child by studying his/her brain at the early age of 3.

**Opinion** - So it is very right that scientific study of the brain can identify criminals at a tender age.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall delve deep into how brain study will help parents raise children in the right manner.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Central idea:** Children need not be like their parents

#### Supporting points:

- Brain decides the character.
- Brain study can decide the mode of upbringing

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Steps that parents can take based on brain study

#### Supporting points:

- Teach moral values
- Instill fear for doing something unlawful
- Decide the peer group



**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that science can predict criminal tendencies in a child and decide the way a child should be raised to stop him/her from becoming a criminal.



## Essay 28

Countries should produce the food that their population eats, and import as little as possible. To what extent do you agree or disagree? Give reasons, examples to your answer.

### Sample Answer

Almost every country in the world is struggling to meet its food demands without depending on others. Food security means ensuring all citizens have access to nutritious food. In times of international food crisis, we cannot rely on imports. So, it is imperative that every country drafts its own plans for self-sufficiency in food production. I'm in complete agreement with this idea. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall expound my thoughts in detail.

Primarily, food crisis hikes food prices which may lead to social problems within a country. For example, the international food crisis which occurred in 2007-08 proved that food insecurity is linked to dangerous consequences. According to a survey, the global community is at risk of confronting a severe food challenge by 2050 because we have to feed 9 billion people.

Improving the agricultural sector impacts positively on the country's economy. It creates jobs for the unemployed and helps in eradicating poverty. If crops are produced in surplus, it increases exports. Food security also increases the brand image of the country in the international arena owing to increased stability. If we can produce nutritious food in a self-sustained manner, we will be building a healthy community.

In times of war-like situations, international trade may be banned. So countries which depend solely on imports for feeding its population will suffer badly. Stored food reserves will be helpful in times of natural disasters like earthquakes. Moreover, the dangerous preservatives used in imported foods to make them last long impacts negatively on health.

In conclusion, food security is indeed the need of the hour. It is a sign of an improved economy and also a solution for many chronic problems within a country.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that Countries should produce the food that their population eats, and import as little as possible?

(or)



- Do you disagree with the idea that Countries should produce the food that their population eats, and import as little as possible?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

### **Introduction:**

**Question Paraphrased** - Almost every country in the world is struggling to meet its food demands without depending on others. Food security means ensuring all citizens have access to nutritious food. In times of international food crisis, we cannot rely on imports. So, it is imperative that every country drafts its own plans for self-sufficiency in food production.

**Opinion** - I'm in complete agreement with this idea.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall expound my thoughts in detail.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Central idea:** Dangerous consequences of food insecurity

#### **Supporting points:**

- Hike in food prices
- Social unrest within the country

#### **Supporting evidence:**

- International food crisis in 2007-08

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** Benefits of food security

#### **Supporting points:**

- Increased employment opportunities
- Positive impact on economy
- Increases trade opportunities
- Increased stability

**Body Paragraph 3:**

**Central idea:** Benefits of food security

**Supporting points:**

- Stored food reserves help in times of uncertainty
- Imported foods are unhealthy

**Conclusion:**

Reiterated the importance of food security and supported the side taken in introduction.

**For example:** In conclusion, food security is indeed the need of the hour. It is a sign of an improved economy and also a solution for many chronic problems within a country.



## Essay 29

Some people believe that too many resources and attention are devoted to the protection of wild animals and birds. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Of late, there is a loud uproar over the money spent on conserving the wildlife. But I strongly disagree and feel it is too much of a fuss. Wild animals and birds are an invaluable gift from God, and humans are vested with the responsibility of saving them. Many of them are on the verge of extinction, and I believe that we are spending the right amount of money to preserve them. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain why it is appropriate to spend money on conserving wildlife.

Primarily, they play a pivotal role in the proper functioning of the ecosystem. There are countless examples of how a decrease or increase in a particular animal species affects humankind. For example, bees help in transferring pollen grains. If bees are reduced in number, there would be low crop yields due to the dearth of pollination. Another classic example would be of tigers, which are dangerously decreasing in number. Due to the decrease in tigers, the deer population may increase. Deers feed on grass. Increased grazing will lead to loss of habitat for many other species. Also, the deers may venture out from forests to cities and towns for food. Thus, it is imperative to conserve wildlife.

Some species are unique to a particular place. For example, kangaroos are famous in Australia. Kangaroos bring in a lot of revenue in the form of visitors. Some species help in maintaining the health of the soil, which is of great help to farmers. For example, the earthworm feeds on plant and animal wastes, decomposes them, and releases chemicals that restore the soil's nutrients.

Man has caused so many problems to wildlife in the form of hunting, poaching, and deforestation. Man derives innumerable benefits from animals. So, the amount spent on them is comparatively less. So, people who claim that we are spending too much money on wildlife conservation have to sink their differences and help build a good ecosystem.

In conclusion, money spent on conservation of wildlife is vindicated. Any step taken towards this cause should be appreciated.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,



- Do you agree that too many resources and attention are devoted to the protection of wild animals and birds?

(or)

- Do you disagree with the idea that too many resources and attention are devoted to the protection of wild animals and birds?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

### **Introduction:**

**Question Paraphrased** - Of late, there is a loud uproar over the money spent on conserving the wildlife.

**Opinion** – But I strongly disagree and feel it is too much of a fuss. Many of them are on the verge of extinction, and I believe that we are spending the right amount of money for preserving them.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain why it is appropriate to spend money on conserving wildlife.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Central idea:** Importance of conserving wildlife

#### **Supporting points:**

- To maintain ecological equilibrium
- Increase or decrease in a particular species adversely affects the ecosystem

#### **Supporting example:**

- Bees help in pollen transfer

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** How wildlife helps mankind

#### **Supporting points:**

- Kangaroos generate revenue by attracting visitors
- Earthworm cleans the soil



**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that money spent on wildlife conservation is justified and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 30

Most people these days prefer getting news online to reading newspapers or watching TV. Do you think it is a positive development?

### Sample Answer

In the olden days, newspapers and television were the only source of information to people. But now, times have changed. The internet has gained a monopoly in this domain. Newspapers and television are swept away by the giant tide of the internet. In my opinion, this is not a positive development. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain the reasons for the same.

Primarily, newspapers are authentic sources of information. If they mishandle the content, they are liable to be sued on a defamation case. So they are more likely to be responsible when writing news. News writers are supposed to write in good language. So the reader's knowledge of the language improves over a period of time. Besides they also have crosswords, puzzles and various other things apart from news. Also, they have a column where the reader can pen his views. So, it gives the chance for the reader to ponder over social issues and make his contribution; however small it may be. They have a dedicated column for children which is proven to improve language abilities. These are the primary reasons why schools force children to read newspapers.

Regarding TV channels, they are also bound by rules and regulations. So they cannot telecast forged content. A person gets to see the critical discussions in parliament, which is very useful in gaining knowledge about the stands of various political parties on burning issues.

On the other hand, the news on the internet is instant. The writers have unlimited freedom to write whatever they want on a particular issue. The online communication is dominating because of its capability to reach the masses within a very short time. The content is also small, well-suited to readers who surf news on their mobile and don't have the patience to read large volumes of content.

Even though online news is succinct and reaches people at the speed of lightning, their content is not trustworthy. They are not bound by any laws and news authors are not held responsible for mistakes.

To summarise, though online news is gaining popularity due to its crisp content, they are no match to the authentic information by newspapers and television channels.



## Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that it is a positive development?

(or)

- Do you disagree with the idea that it is a positive development?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Introduction: Question Paraphrased** - In the olden days, newspapers and television were the only source of information to people. But now, times have changed. The internet has gained a monopoly in this domain. Newspapers and television are swept away by the giant tide of the internet.

**Opinion** - In my opinion, this is not a positive development.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain the reasons for the same.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Central idea:** Importance and benefits of newspapers and tv channels

#### Supporting points:

- Authentic sources of information
- Writers held responsible for content
- Bound by laws
- Improves language abilities of the readers
- Telecasts of parliamentary discussions help common man gain information on stands taken by various political parties.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Advantages of online news

#### Supporting points:

- Instant updates



- Reaches the masses in no time
- Succinct content for mobile readers

**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that though online content is succinct and reaches the masses in less time, newspapers and television channels are under compulsion to produce authentic news due to the fact that they are answerable to the law.



## Essay 31

The most effective way to solve traffic and transport problems in the cities is to discourage people from the suburbs or the countryside from moving to the cities. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

In recent times, there has been a surge in traffic in cities. Some people think that one practical solution to this problem is to stop suburban and rural people from moving to cities. I completely agree with this statement. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall put forth the arguments in favour of my opinion.

Primarily, cities are jam-packed. They have reached their point of saturation. It has become challenging to find the way during peak hours of traffic. Industrialisation and urbanisation are the primary reasons for traffic congestion in cities. So, moving people from the countryside to cities will prove to be a catastrophe. Since people move to cities for a better lifestyle, there will be an increase in the number of cars which will increase the carbon footprint, thereby leading to problems like global warming. Real estate prices have already skyrocketed due to the demand for living spaces. According to a survey, Bangalore has the monstrous traffic jams in the world. On an average, Bangaloreans driving during peak hours end up wasting an extra 243 hours, i.e., ten days, 3 hours in traffic each year. Another interesting thing is that companies have considered opening up office spaces in the countryside owing to its calm atmosphere and fewer traffic problems.

Due to overcrowding, there may be a sudden increase in the number of accidents that occur on roads. Many people who don't find a seat in public transport will travel on footboards and may fall when the vehicle stops suddenly. Two-wheelers who want to escape slow-moving traffic may be hit by cars. People rushing to catch a train may be injured due to stampedes.

Even though moving from the countryside to the city is viewed as a sign of improved lifestyle, the truth is that it is linked to dangerous consequences like a hike in real estate prices apart from causing traffic congestion. In fact, the trend is reversing now with companies moving to the countryside for a better environment.

In conclusion, moving people from the countryside to cities will fuel the already burning traffic problems. So it is absolutely right that we discourage them from moving to cities.



## Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that the most effective way to solve traffic and transport problems in the cities is to discourage people from the suburbs or the countryside from moving to the cities?

(or)

- Do you disagree with the idea that the most effective way to solve traffic and transport problems in the cities is to discourage people from the suburbs or the countryside from moving to the cities?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Introduction: Question Paraphrased** - In recent times, there has been a surge in traffic in cities. Some people think that one practical solution to this problem is to stop suburban and rural people from moving to cities.

**Opinion** - I completely agree with this statement.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall put forth the arguments in favour of my opinion.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Central idea:** Existing traffic problems in cities and negative consequences of moving from rural areas to cities.

### Supporting points:

- Traffic congestion in cities has already reached the saturation point.
- People will buy more cars increasing environmental problems
- Hike in real estate prices

### Supporting example:

- Statistics of Bangalore traffic

### Body Paragraph 2:



**Central idea:** Problems due to overcrowding

**Supporting points:**

- Accidents may increase
- People may become prey to stampede

**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that it is right to discourage people from rural areas from moving to cities and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 32

Rich countries often give financial aid to poor countries, but it does not solve poverty. So rich countries should give other types of help to poor countries rather than financial aid. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Underdeveloped countries receive a substantial amount of aid from developed countries. But, it is interesting to note that this measure has not eradicated poverty in the nations receiving support. So people have started thinking that financial aid must be substituted with other forms of assistance. I strongly believe in the latter point of view. In the following paragraphs, I shall explain how emergent nations can prosper with other forms of aid.

Primarily, monetary assistance cannot alleviate the deep-rooted problems in the underdeveloped nations. For example, the world bank may spend generously on country A. But the country's political environment may not be stable. So the funds may not reach the poor. The government may introduce namesake development programs that don't help the people. Moreover, the country may have unresolved social problems. Eventually, the country will continue to remain poor despite receiving huge amounts of aid. So it is high time that developed nations resort to other forms of assistance in these countries.

Primarily, they must invest in education and healthcare. Young people should receive a quality education. Everyone should have access to proper medical treatment. Education will help eradicate unemployment and prevent people from resorting to unlawful activities. So developed countries must help in building good schools, universities, and hospitals. Moreover, they can help stabilise the government in these countries and monitor whether the political environment is conducive for growth.

Although monetary helps in feeding the hungry lot, it is only a temporary solution.

In summary, mere financial aid will not help in developing a country. The right form of assistance must be decided after a thorough analysis of the country's social, economic, climatic, and political conditions.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,



- Do you agree that rich countries should give other types of help to poor countries rather than financial aid?

(or)

- Do you disagree that rich countries should give other types of help to poor countries rather than financial aid?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

### **Introduction:**

**Question Paraphrased** - Underdeveloped countries receive a substantial amount of aid from developed countries. But, it is interesting to note that this measure has not eradicated poverty in the nations receiving support. So people have started thinking that financial aid must be substituted with other forms of assistance.

**Opinion** - I strongly believe in the latter point of view.

**A thesis statement** - In the following paragraphs, I shall explain how emergent nations can prosper with other forms of aid.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Central idea:** Why financial aid fails to help?

#### **Supporting points:**

- Unstable political environment.
- Introduction of namesake programs
- Unresolved social problems

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** Alternatives that can help

#### **Supporting points:**

- Investment in education and healthcare
- Monitoring political conditions

### **Conclusion:**



Reiterated that type of aid must be decided after an in-depth study of the country and just financing is of no help.

### Essay 33

Today, more and more full time university students focus on other activities rather than spend a lot of time studying. Some people think it is essential for university students to be involved in other activities. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

#### Sample Answer

A university offers courses that help students gain knowledge on a particular discipline and prepare them for a career. So it is not surprising that some of them feel students should be devoted to studies. But others argue that it is equally important to take part in other activities. I believe that students should acquire overall development. The university should concentrate not only on meeting industry demands but also on helping students be involved in other activities. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall discuss both sides and explain how taking part in different activities is beneficial to the students.

A student who limits himself only to academics is a frog in a well. They will be the odd ones out in society at a later point in time. Being bookish will not help in any manner. One has to devote time to developing other talents as well. There are innumerable examples of engineering students pursuing careers as a singer, actor or sportsman. Since it is tough to predict the future, there is no need to confine oneself solely to studies. A student passionate about singing may fondly recall his live performances in university than the time spent in the classroom. The live performances would have helped in some manner (such as removing stage fear).

One should not join a university for the sole purpose of procuring a career. There are many other facets of university life which one has to sense and appreciate. For example, a student taking part in inter-college events like a symposium will gain knowledge, build communication abilities and win more contacts which may help him in becoming successful in an interview and career as well.

Devoting time to other activities helps the person acquire overall development, albeit the primary reason to join a university is to study.

In conclusion, though it is important to concentrate on studies, one need not get trapped in the classroom. They should make time to pursue other talents beyond the curriculum as well.



## Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that it is essential for university students to be involved in other activities?

(or)

- Do you disagree with the idea that it is essential for university students to be involved in other activities?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

### Introduction:

**Question Paraphrased** - A university offers courses that help students gain knowledge on a particular discipline and prepare them for a career. So it is not surprising that some of them feel students should be devoted to studies. But others argue that it is equally important to take part in other activities.

**Opinion** - I believe that students should acquire overall development

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall discuss both sides and explain how taking part in different activities is beneficial to the students

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Central idea:** Importance of taking part in other activities

#### Supporting points:

- Confining oneself to the classroom does not help in the long run
- Tough to predict one's career path
- Other activities do help in some manner [Eg: removing stage fear]

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Benefits of participating in outside activities

#### Supporting points:

- Gains knowledge



- Builds communication abilities
- Wins contacts

**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that since nobody can predict the career path, there is no need to confine oneself to the classroom. They should create time to pursue other activities as well.



## Essay 34

Some people think the government should not spend on international aid because there are disadvantaged people in their country, such as the unemployed and homeless. Do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

International aid is the transfer of goods or services from a country or international organization to benefit another country. Support can be economical or humanitarian. Some think that their government should not spend on international aid because there are underprivileged people in their own country. I completely agree with this idea. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain why countries should give priority to their internal problems.

Firstly, a developed country should examine its debt ceiling before volunteering to help other countries. The US is a classic example. According to a survey, the US national debt was about \$26 trillion in June 2020. It has increased to almost 800% of what it was in 1989. This would bring down the value of the dollar and impact negatively on the economy and international investments. Eventually, it would aggravate the unemployment problem within the country. So it is high time that the nation concentrated on reducing its debts rather than contributing to international aid. If these countries continue to fund other nations, it will cause serious social unrest within their country.

There is no evidence that the countries receiving foreign aid are progressing economically. Also, according to a survey, foreign aid consumes a considerable amount in the budget which can be used for the nation's welfare. Furthermore, the countries receiving support are not committed to remaining loyal to the donor country in times of crisis and may not yield to the donor's interests. Donor countries also need to be wary of the fact that they contribute only their share and don't overdo the aid.

Despite the fact that developed countries should be merciful on third world countries, I feel that intra-governmental development should gain priority over helping others.

In conclusion, though it is deemed merciless to stop funding the underdeveloped countries, it should be noted that solving the intragovernmental problems in a developed country is of more importance. Only a self-sustained country will be able to donate generously to other countries.



## Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that the government should not spend on international aid because there are disadvantaged people in their country, such as the unemployed and homeless?

(or)

- Do you disagree with the idea that the government should not spend on international aid because there are disadvantaged people in their country, such as the unemployed and homeless?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

### Introduction:

**Question Paraphrased** - International aid is the transfer of goods or services from a country or international organization to benefit another country. Support can be economical or humanitarian. Some think that their government should not spend on international aid because they are underprivileged people in their own country.

**Opinion** - I completely agree with this idea.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain why countries should give priority to their internal problems.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Central idea:** Importance of analysing the intra governmental problems

#### Supporting points:

- Examining one's own debt ceiling
- Monitoring the currency value
- Monitoring the economy and international investments
- Consequences of making donations without concentrating on intra governmental problems

### Body Paragraph 2:



**Central idea:** international aid does not help in any manner

**Supporting points:**

- The poor countries don't show significant progress
- The countries receiving aid may not remain loyal to the donor
- The countries receiving aid may not comply to the donor's interests

**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that intra governmental problems should be given priority over helping other countries.



## Essay 35

Fast food is becoming one part of life everywhere; this has bad effects on our lifestyles and diet. Do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Fast foods have conquered our lives. The younger generation has fallen for it. Due to their palatable taste, people are craving for it. Our dietary habits have undergone a significant change, and we have become more prone to health problems. I'm also of the same opinion, and I shall put forth my arguments in the forthcoming paragraphs.

Primarily, the local food joints selling pakoras, samosas, and vada pavs don't use good quality oil. They are prepared under unhygienic conditions. They are tasty but have severe health impacts, such as damage to the liver, heart, and an increase in bad cholesterol. People are attracted to them despite knowing the consequences. They are eaten for pleasure and have become the favourite noontime snack for many. They have indeed become a part of the diet.

Packaged foods are no less in causing health problems. They are priced heavily, and people don't hesitate to spend on them. The primary reason for buying packaged foods is laziness. With almost a significant population working to earn a living, they lack time and energy to cook at home. So they resort to alternatives like packaged foods. They are unaware of the ingredients used to prepare them. Over a period of time, lack of physical activity and consumption of these foods rich in fat will lead to serious health complications like obesity. In the olden days, people ate home-cooked meals, and the average lifespan was 80. Now it has come down to 60.

Although, the fast paced life has pushed people into fast food, people should try to come out of this addiction.

In conclusion, it is without a doubt that the consumption of fast foods has a damaging effect on our health in the long run.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that fast food has bad effects on our lifestyles and diet?

(or)

- Do you disagree with the idea that fast food has bad effects on our lifestyles and diet?



Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

### **Introduction:**

**Question Paraphrased** - Fast foods have conquered our lives. The younger generation has fallen for it. Due to their palatable taste, people are craving for it. Our dietary habits have undergone a significant change, and we have become more prone to health problems.

**A thesis statement** - I'm also of the same opinion, and I shall put forth my arguments in the forthcoming paragraphs.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Central idea:** Fast foods have changed dietary habits and have a damaging effect on health.

### **Supporting points:**

- Are very tasty
- Causes diseases related to heart and liver
- Eaten for pleasure
- Become favourite noontime snack
- Become part of the diet

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** Reasons for resorting to fast foods and their negative impact on lifestyle

### **Supporting points:**

- Laziness to cook at home
- Leads to conditions like obesity
- Reduced the average lifespan of people

### **Conclusion:**

Reiterated the negative impact of fast foods on health.



## Essay 36

Some people think it is one of the best ways to solve environmental problems by increasing the cost of fuels for cars and other vehicles. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Environmental pollution is a major threat that society is confronting now. Some are of the opinion that raising the price of fuel of cars and other vehicles will help. They believe that this move would prevent people from buying and using cars, which will minimize the hazardous effects on pollution. I think this idea is baseless. There are many other practical solutions to the problem. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain why this is not an effective move and outline the alternatives.

Primarily, increasing the cost of fuel has dangerous consequences. Transportation costs will increase, which means the prices of essential commodities will increase. The value of the rupee will start depreciating, which is of grave concern. There are several alternative measures that could be taken rather than increasing fuel costs. For instance, biodiesel, a renewable fuel made from vegetable oils and animal fats, could be advocated. Electric cars are another option. Fuel from hydrogen, natural gas, propane, or liquefied petroleum gas are also effective fuel alternatives. All these emit low levels of gases into the atmosphere.

Increase in fuel prices is a sign of a weak economy. Banks may increase lending rates. It is an indirect tax burden on the citizens of the country. It is an indirect hint of our situation to the global community, and we may be forced to yield to interests of superior powers. The cost of living will increase. As a result, businesses will cut down costs which will lead to an economic recession.

Even though it is true that we have to reduce using cars that pollute the environment, resorting to alternative sources of energy is more of a win-win situation.

In conclusion, raising fuel costs will not solve environmental problems. Instead, awareness of alternate sources of petrol should be created, and people should be encouraged to use them.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that it is one of the best ways to solve environmental problems by increasing the cost of fuels for cars and other vehicles?



(or)

- Do you disagree with the idea that it is one of the best ways to solve environmental problems by increasing the cost of fuels for cars and other vehicles?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

Don't forget to state your opinion on it.

**Introduction:**

**Question Paraphrased** - Environmental pollution is a major threat that society is confronting now. Some are of the opinion that raising the price of fuel of cars and other vehicles will help. They believe that this move would prevent people from buying and using cars, which will minimize the hazardous effects on pollution.

**Opinion** - I think this idea is baseless.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall explain why this is not an effective move and outline the alternatives.

**Body Paragraph 1:**

**Central idea:** Consequences of increasing fuel costs and possible alternatives.

**Supporting points:**

- Increase in fuel costs increases price of essential commodities
- Value of rupee depreciates
- Biodiesel, electric cars, fuel from hydrogen, propane and natural gas are alternative fuels

**Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** Consequences of increasing fuel costs

**Supporting points:**

- Sign of weak economy
- Hints our situation to the world
- Cost of living increases
- Economic recession



**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that instead of raising fuel prices which will lead to dangerous consequences, people should be encouraged to use alternate sources of fuel.



## Essay 37

With the development of online communication, people will never be alone and will always be able to make new friends. To what extent do you agree?

### Sample Answer

Nowadays, online communication is becoming universally popular, the number of users increase rapidly. People strongly believe that thanks to it, not only will loneliness permanently disappear in their lives but social communication is likely to provide them with an opportunity to make friends with others. I completely agree with this statement for several reasons.

Firstly, online communication centers around the world are helping users to easily connect regardless of geographical distances. Today's social media platforms have user-friendly interfaces in which online friends are recommended based on the user's profile information. This facilitates the friend-making process without having to leave one's comfort zone. Also, such means of communication ensures that one will be constantly provided with friend suggestions as a way to enhance online experiences. For example, Tinder and other online dating apps match users with multiple potential individuals that share common interests.

Secondly, the online world has a vast number of people from different backgrounds. As per the growing popular trend, more and more people feel the need to join the digital world. This creates a sense of collectivity and togetherness amongst users that there are always people they can reach out to. This sense is further enhanced by insights that are given into others' personal lives and interests. For example, each Facebook user has what is called a 'newsfeed' - a news bulletin with updates on what their friends share their activities.

In conclusion, the large number of online users and ease of connection have made online communication a convenient tool to make friends and avoid loneliness.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that with the development of online communication, people will never be alone and will always be able to make new friends?

or

- Do you disagree that with the development of online communication, people will never be alone and will always be able to make new friends?



Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - People strongly believe that thanks to it, not only will loneliness permanently disappear in their lives but social communication is likely to provide them with an opportunity to make friends with others.

**A thesis statement** - I completely agree with this statement for several reasons.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Online users can connect irrespective of geographical differences.

#### Supporting points:

- Today's social media platforms have user-friendly interfaces in which online friends are recommended based on the user's profile information. This facilitates the friend-making process without having to leave one's comfort zone.
- Such means of communication ensures that one will be constantly provided with friend suggestions as a way to enhance online experiences.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Many people from different backgrounds.

#### Supporting points:

- As per the growing popular trend, more and more people feel the need to join the digital world. This creates a sense of collectivity and togetherness amongst users that there are always people they can reach out to.

### Conclusion

A large number of online users and ease of connection have made online communication a convenient tool to make friends and avoid loneliness.



## Essay 38

There aren't many houses to accommodate people so it has several social consequences. Only the government can solve this problem. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

As overpopulation is the main problem in most of the cities, there are no sufficient houses for shelter and there are a lot of social problems too. Only with the help of the government, we would be able to overcome this problem. I agree that the government can help overcome this issue by taking proper measures.

Firstly, we believe that the government plays an important role in people's lives. When we as an individual cannot solve a problem on our own, we will have to depend on the government. Overpopulation is one of the biggest problems in our society which makes it difficult to accommodate houses for the people in need. In earlier days, the population in the country or cities was less and also people used to stay in individual houses as there was a lot of space available. It is not possible now because of the increased population.

Furthermore, the government can use their finances in expanding the city so that more people can get accommodation. Even if the population is controlled, there will be a requirement of additional buildings or houses that can be accommodated to the people. In order to do this, there must be proper planning and investments at the same time. Thus, the government can be a perfect authority to solve this problem.

In conclusion, we can say that, as the population increases the cities should also grow accordingly, and this can be only done by the government, by taking suitable measures.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that the government can solve the problem?
- or
- Do you disagree that the government can solve the problem?



Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

## Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - As overpopulation is the main problem in most of the cities, there are no sufficient houses for shelter and there are a lot of social problems too. Only with the help of the government, we would be able to overcome this problem.

**A thesis statement** - I agree that the government can help overcome this issue by taking proper measures.

## Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Depend on the government for accommodation.

### Supporting points:

- Overpopulation is one of the biggest problems in our society which makes it difficult to accommodate houses for the people in need.

### Example:

- In earlier days, the population in the country or cities was less and also people used to stay in individual houses as there was a lot of space available. It is not possible now because of the increased population.

## Body Paragraph 2

**Central idea:** The government can use their finances in expanding the city so that more people can get accommodation.

### Supporting points:

- Even if the population is controlled, there will be a requirement of additional buildings or houses that can be accommodated to the people. In order to do this, there must be proper planning and investments at the same time.

## Conclusion

In conclusion, we can say that, as the population increases the cities should also grow accordingly, and this can be only done by the government, by taking suitable measures.



## Essay 39

Technology is destroying social interactions. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Undoubtedly, technology has revolutionized the way we communicate these days. Some people say that inventions like mobile phones are making people less social. In my opinion, I disagree with this statement.

To start with, the introduction of mobile phones is a blessing in disguise for the people. As this invention immensely helped people to strengthen their relationship with their loved ones living far away. Now they can easily do a face to face call anywhere and anytime. Consequently, they become more socially active. In the olden times, people used to write letters or telegram which took a long time to reach their family members. However, now they can talk to any person immediately. Moreover, the social messaging application such as WhatsApp in smartphones enables people to become part of many social groups. Thus, they become socially connected and grow a healthy social network with others.

Furthermore, we have begun to interact with people who we don't know at all. A lot of applications these days help us connect with like-minded people. Thus, adding on to our social circle. To introverts, technology has been a boon. It has helped them interact with people without facing social anxiety at any cost.

In conclusion, I assert that the reasonable use of a mobile phone is a boon to mankind and its excessive use can be a curse. So, it is up to people to decide wisely how they want to use this technology.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that technology is destroying social interactions?

or

- Do you disagree that technology is destroying social interactions?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.



## Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - Some people say that inventions like mobile phones are making people less social.

**A thesis statement** - In my opinion, I disagree with this statement.

## Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Connecting people who are far away.

### Supporting points:

- As this invention immensely helped people to strengthen their relationship with their loved ones living far away. Now they can easily do a face to face call anywhere and anytime. Consequently, they become more socially active.
- In the olden times, people used to write letters or telegram which took a long time to reach their family members. However, now they can talk to any person immediately. Moreover, the social messaging application such as WhatsApp in smartphones enables people to become part of many social groups. Thus, they become socially connected and grow a healthy social network with others.

## Body Paragraph 2

**Central idea:** Interaction with like-minded people.

### Supporting points:

- We have begun to interact with people who we don't know at all. A lot of applications these days help us connect with like-minded people.
- To introverts, technology has been a boon. It has helped them interact with people without facing social anxiety at any cost.

## Conclusion

I assert that the reasonable use of a mobile phone is a boon to mankind and its excessive use can be a curse. So, it is up to people to decide wisely how they want to use this technology.



## Essay 40

Subjects like arts, music and drama are more important than other subjects and therefore should be given more time in the calendar. Do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

It is argued that the arts, music and drama are more important than the other subjects. Some students flourish when studying music, art or drama but maths and science are also subjects that are essential in life. I strongly disagree with the fact that arts, music and are more important than other subjects.

I agree with the fact that not everyone has a talent for mathematics, physics or languages and many students only do their best work when they can be creative. Many students simply cannot focus on traditional subjects such as maths, science or history unless they are expressing themselves creatively through painting, song or dance. Some people would disagree with this view and say that art stops young children from spending enough time on the more important subjects and passing major exams.

All the subjects have equal importance, and all the subjects like music, arts and drama should have equal weightage as maths, science and history. No field of interest should be considered more important than the other. As all students are different and have different field of interest, it should be left to the students to pursue their field of interest whether it is maths, science or arts, and drama. Some students love maths and physics pursue a career in engineering, some love science and biology pursue a career in the medical fields, likewise some love music, dance, or drama and tend to pursue a career as a singer, musician, dancer, or actor.

In conclusion, all the subjects have equal importance and I completely disagree with the opinion that art, music and drama more important than other subjects.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that subjects like the arts, music and drama are more important than other subjects?

or



- Do you disagree that subjects like the arts, music and drama are more important than other subjects?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - It is argued that the arts, music and drama are more important than the other subjects.

**A thesis statement** - I strongly disagree with the fact that arts, music and are more important than other subjects.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Subjects like art and music are equally important.

#### Supporting points:

- I agree with the fact that not everyone has a talent for mathematics, physics or languages and many students only do their best work when they can be creative.
- Many students simply cannot focus on traditional subjects such as maths, science or history unless they are expressing themselves creatively through painting, song or dance.

### Body Paragraph 2

**Central idea:** Students have different fields of interest.

#### Supporting points:

- As all students are different and have different field of interest, it should be left to the students to pursue their field of interest whether it is maths, science or arts, and drama.
- Some students love maths and physics pursue a career in engineering, some love science and biology pursue a career in the medical fields, likewise some love music, dance, or drama and tend to pursue a career as a singer, musician, dancer, or actor.

### Conclusion

All the subjects have equal importance and I completely disagree with the opinion that art, music and drama are more important than other subjects.



## Essay 41

Some people think that the government is wasting money on arts and that this money could be better spent elsewhere. To what extent do you agree with this view?

### Sample Answer

Everyone has their own opinion and concerns; I think that art is also an important aspect of life. We human beings are social animals. We need things that inspire us to help each other and live together. There could be many reasons why the government should spend money on arts and also why they should not. In my opinion, art is as important as any other sector and should receive government support.

There are several reasons why the government should spend money on the arts. One of the main reasons is that art reflects the culture of a country and promotes people's understanding of their culture and architecture. Most of us are oblivious to our ancient cultures and traditions, and we look up to art to learn about our culture and heritage.

Secondly, the government should invest in art as it acts as a revenue factor too. For example, people from outside the country come to see the historical buildings and by maintaining its artistic legacy, a country can encourage tourists to visit again and again. This practice boosts the tourism sector and eventually the economic growth of a country.

Thirdly, the art sector employs many people. For example, artists like singers and dancers have a huge fan following. Their shows are watched by thousands of people. Such events employ hundreds of people. Without government funding, many art forms will die down and that will be a huge loss for the country.

However, spending on arts should not be at the expense of other sectors like education, healthcare or defense. Those are certainly more important and hence should receive funding too, but I believe that the art sector should not be neglected too.

To conclude, I believe that the government should distribute its funds evenly to all sectors including arts because every sector has its contribution to the development of a country.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that the government should spend less on the arts?



or

- Do you disagree that the government should spend more on the arts?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - Everyone has their own opinion and concerns; I think that art is also an important aspect of life. We human beings are social animals. We need things that inspire us to help each other and live together.

**A thesis statement** - In my opinion, art is as important as any other sector and should receive government support.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Art reflects the culture of a country.

#### Supporting points:

- Most of us are oblivious to our ancient cultures and traditions, and we look up to art to learn about our culture and heritage.

### Body Paragraph 2

**Central idea:** The government should invest in art as it acts as a revenue factor too.

### Body Paragraph 3

**Central idea:** The art sector employs many people.

#### Supporting points:

- This practice boosts the tourism sector and eventually the economic growth of a country.
- Such events employ hundreds of people. Without government funding, many art forms will die down and that will be a huge loss for the country.

#### Example:

- People from outside the country come to see the historical buildings and by maintaining its artistic legacy, a country can encourage tourists to visit again and again.

### Body paragraph 4



The other side of the argument:

- Spending on arts should not be at the expense of other sectors like education, healthcare or defense.

Yet you believe that your side is logical or right.

- Those are certainly more important and hence should receive funding too, but I believe that the art sector should not be neglected too.

### **Conclusion**

I believe that the government should distribute its funds evenly to all sectors including arts because every sector has its contribution to the development of a country.



## Essay 42

Some people believe that hobbies need to be difficult to be enjoyable. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Hobbies are the activities that people do in their free time without expecting any monetary benefits. Each person will have their own perceptions. Some people may think that if the hobbies are challenging, they are fun, while other people think vice versa and some people may think that both easy and challenging hobbies may be enjoyable. So, I disagree with the statement that having difficult hobbies is fun.

Firstly, people take up different hobbies to spend their free time and come out of their work stress and they take up the activities which they enjoy doing, it may either be challenging activities or any activities that are easy to take up. One of the examples may be writing poetry, where you may have just put your thoughts into writing, it may not be that challenging for people who love writing and they enjoy the task as well. Along with that it also changes their mood instantly.

On the other hand, there might also be some difficult hobbies which people enjoy doing. To quote an example, film editing or song editing, this might actually need some experience with sound engineering yet some people make this as a hobby. This may be very challenging for them, but they take time and learn this activity and then make it as a hobby and enjoy it.

To sum up everything, I think hobbies should be based on the individual likings and not based on how difficult or easy the hobby is. When a person takes up a hobby, it should satisfy oneself and the person taking it should enjoy what he does.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that hobbies need to be difficult to be enjoyable?
- or
- Do you disagree that hobbies need to be difficult to be enjoyable?



Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased-** Some people may think that if the hobbies are challenging, they are fun, while other people think vice versa and some people may think that both easy and challenging hobbies may be enjoyable.

**A thesis statement** - So, I disagree with the statement that having difficult hobbies is fun.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Taking up a hobby that is easy and relieves stress.

#### Supporting points:

- People take up different hobbies to spend their free time and come out of their work stress and they take up the activities which they enjoy doing, it may either be challenging activities or any activities that are easy to take up.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Difficult hobbies people enjoy doing.

#### Supporting points:

- This may be very challenging for them, but they take time and learn this activity and then make it as a hobby and enjoy it.

#### Example:

- To quote an example, film editing or song editing, this might actually need some experience with sound engineering yet some people make this as a hobby.

### Conclusion



I think hobbies should be based on the individual likings and not based on how difficult or easy the hobby is. When a person takes up a hobby, it should satisfy oneself and the person taking it should enjoy what he does.

## Essay 43

Nowadays it is common for people to get married in their thirties rather than when they are younger. Do you agree or disagree that this trend will benefit society?

### Sample Answer

There has been a rise in the number of people who get married in their thirties and beyond. In my opinion, this is a beneficial practice because at this age most of the people are financially stable and emotionally mature to raise a family properly and ensure a better future for them.

Most men and women do not earn well during the initial phase of their career. Hence, if young people get married in their twenties and start a family immediately afterwards, they are more likely to run into financial difficulties. As a result, they will not be able to provide the best healthcare to their family or education to their children. This inability can actually make them feel inadequate and even affect them emotionally. If parents are unhappy about their life and finances, they will never be able to raise happy kids.

Most adults in their thirties are emotionally stable. They are also mature enough to nurture a family. Consequently, when people get married and have babies at this age, they are fully prepared to deal with the challenges that come along with marriage. For example, they are able to understand their partner's emotional needs and have better compatibility, they are able to not only send their children to the best schools but also deal with their temper tantrums more patiently. This may not be possible for a 20-something father or mother who barely earns enough to put food on the table. Obviously, when people marry in their thirties it benefits them as well as their children.

To conclude, financial stability and emotional maturity are vital for being a good parent; since young people in their twenties may lack one or both of them, I feel that waiting until they are in their thirties to get married is a good idea and this trend will benefit the society.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that it's better for people to get married in their 30s?



or

- Do you disagree that it's better for people to get married in their 30s?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

## Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - There has been a rise in the number of people who get married in their thirties and beyond.

**A thesis statement** - In my opinion, this is a beneficial practice because at this age most of the people are financially stable and emotionally mature to raise a family properly and ensure a better future for them.

## Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Financial ability.

### Supporting points:

- If young people get married in their twenties and start a family immediately afterwards, they are more likely to run into financial difficulties.
- As a result, they will not be able to provide the best healthcare to their family or education to their children. Example of the point 'how films belong to people':

## Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Emotionally stable.

### Supporting points:

- They are also mature enough to nurture a family. Consequently, when people get married and have babies at this age, they are fully prepared to deal with the challenges that come along with marriage.

### Example:

- For example, they are able to understand their partner's emotional needs and have better compatibility, they are able to not only send their children to the best schools but also deal with their temper tantrums more patiently.

## Conclusion



Financial stability and emotional maturity are vital for being a good parent; since young people in their twenties may lack one or both of them, I feel that waiting until they are in their thirties to get married is a good idea and this trend will benefit the society.

## Essay 44

In some societies, the number of crimes committed by teenagers is growing. Some people think that regardless of age, teenagers who commit major crimes should receive adult punishment. To what extent do you agree?

### Sample Answer

Criminal tendencies have nothing to do with age. It is observed that the number of teenagers committing serious crimes is on the rise. Some people have an opinion that teenagers committing heinous crimes should receive the same punishment as adults. I fully agree with this view. When teenagers are treated as adults and given the same punishment, it will be a lesson for other teens who are committing a crime.

First of all, the age of the offender is irrelevant in the case of serious crimes like murder or rape. Many teenage criminals these days are not afraid of the consequences of their act since most states currently protect them under the Child Protection Law and give them only light punishments. For example, they are asked to do community service for 6 months or put in rehabilitation centres for just about a year for misdeeds like robbery. Juveniles committing major offences are also treated rather leniently. Unfortunately, this sends the wrong message and encourages more teens to commit a crime. Therefore, it is of utmost importance to give severe punishments to teen offenders so that neither they nor their peers will want to commit crimes again.

Secondly, if a child is old enough to commit a heinous crime, he should be considered old enough to be punished as well. This is necessary to reduce the number of repeated crimes committed by these individuals. According to a survey by Harvard University, countries that award severe punishments for all criminals regardless of their age had a significantly lower juvenile crime rate than the countries that protect children from receiving adult punishments. This is the reason why it is crucial to treat teen offenders just like adults.

In conclusion, the problem of the growing rate of teenage criminals can only be tackled by awarding them punishments under the gravity of the offence that they committed.



## Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that teenagers who commit major crimes should receive adult punishment?

or

- Do you disagree that teenagers who commit major crimes should receive adult punishment?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - Some people have an opinion that teenagers committing heinous crimes should receive the same punishment as adults.

**A thesis statement** - I fully agree with this view. When teenagers are treated as adults and given the same punishment, it will be a lesson for other teens who are committing a crime.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** The age of the offender is irrelevant.

#### Supporting points:

- Many teenage criminals these days are not afraid of the consequences of their act since most states currently protect them under the Child Protection Law and give them only light punishments.

#### Example:

- They are asked to do community service for 6 months or put in rehabilitation centres for just about a year for misdeeds like robbery.

### Body Paragraph 2

**Central idea:** Reduce the number of crimes.

#### Supporting points:

- This is necessary to reduce the number of repeated crimes committed by these individuals. According to a survey by Harvard University, countries that award severe



punishments for all criminals regardless of their age had a significantly lower juvenile crime rate than the countries that protect children from receiving adult punishments.

### Conclusion

- The problem of the growing rate of teenage criminals can only be tackled by awarding them punishments under the gravity of the offence that they committed.

## Essay 45

Having a lot of international sports events may promote world peace. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Today's world is under the effects of hate crimes and cross-country terrorism. It is often believed that events such as intercountry sports meet will help deliver the message of peace and brotherhood in the world. I completely agree with this view.

Any sport, if played in the right spirit, has several advantages for the society. Firstly, it helps to instil the spirit of nationalism in each human being. Both the players and spectators get emotionally stirred by a feeling of pride to one's own country. Playing the respective national anthems before any intercountry sporting event is an example to prove this point. Secondly, we cannot deny the fact that it gives tremendous joy when the spirit of the game overcomes the petty barriers of countries and cultures because national teams often have players from different origins and backgrounds.

This helps to spread the message of oneness and unity in diversity. Last but not the least, international sports meet help to ease the tension between warring countries as sports often serves as a binding factor between them. To explain this, passion for cricket is a common trend which binds the neighbouring countries India and Pakistan. International one day games and test matches show us that the players of both countries are quite friendly and amicable off the field. This helps to spread the feeling of brotherhood and mutual admiration. It is not unusual to see the players congratulating each other or laughing at a joke. This teaches us to respect each individual for his values, regardless of the intercountry political disputes. Hence, these sports event between different countries shows us that the human spirit and regard for humanity is above political issues and tensions.



In conclusion, I completely agree with the opinion that sports played at International level helps in easing tensions between countries and helps to spread the message of tolerance, peace, and brotherhood.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that international sports events promote world peace?

or

- Do you disagree that international sports events promote world peace?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - It is often believed that events such as intercountry sports meet will help deliver the message of peace and brotherhood in the world.

**A thesis statement** - I completely agree with this view.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Instil the spirit of nationalism

#### Supporting points:

- Both the players and spectators get emotionally stirred by a feeling of pride to one's own country.
- We cannot deny the fact that it gives tremendous joy when the spirit of the game overcomes the petty barriers of countries and cultures

#### Example:

Playing the respective national anthems before any intercountry sporting event is an example to prove this point.

### Body Paragraph 2

**Central idea:** Spread the message of oneness and unity in diversity.

#### Supporting points:



- International sports meet help to ease the tension between warring countries as sports often serves as a binding factor between them.
- Passion for cricket is a common trend which binds the neighbouring countries India and Pakistan.

### Conclusion

I completely agree with the opinion that sports played at International level helps in easing tensions between countries and helps to spread the message of tolerance, peace, and brotherhood.

### Essay 46

The film is a less important form of art and literature. To what extent do you agree?

#### Sample Answer

It is a broad opinion that films are a notch below the most common forms of art and literature such as paintings or books. I strongly disagree. I believe that films have the same artistic value as both writings and drawings.

Films, today, is the most popular form of art. What I believe is the most important part of films is the access that we all have to it and how they belong to people. It may be the cinemas, online streaming networks or even DVDs, though they're out of date, they're still more accessible to the public in general. People rush to get tickets. People celebrate the birth of new films by their favourite stars and somehow feel like they belong to them. Film critics are everywhere, you do not need a certain value or social status to talk about a film. Films belong to the people.

Furthermore, films are relatable. Films also give out social messages that make us aware of what's happening around us. They talk about topics that are taboo. Topics that are not easily said out loud by any other art form or even by ourselves, yet films portray them beautifully helping us understand the unsaid problems. I do not think gay pride or caste discrimination would have been a very commonly spoken topic nowadays if not for films.

However, I do realise that films have deviated people from reading books or visiting the museum. I do know that history, traditional or cultural artforms are diminishing. But I also think



as technology grows, we should embrace it and be more accepting of the fact that newer technologies or art forms such as films have a lot of value too.

To sum up, I strongly believe that films are no less in value than any other kinds of art forms. They are more accessible, relatable and belong to the people more than any other art form.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that films are a less important form of art and literature?
- or
- Do you disagree that films are a less important form of art and literature?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - It is a broad opinion that films are a notch below the most common forms of art and literature such as paintings or books.

**A thesis statement** - I strongly disagree. I believe that films have the same artistic value as both writings and drawings.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Films, today, is the most popular form of art. What I believe is the most important part of films is the access that we all have to it and how they belong to people.

### Supporting points:

- It may be the cinemas, online streaming networks or even DVDs, though they're out of date, they're still more accessible to the public in general. People rush to get tickets.
- Film critics are everywhere, you do not need a certain value or social status to talk about a film.

### Example:

People celebrate the birth of new films by their favourite stars and somehow feel like they belong to them.

**Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** Films are relatable.

**Supporting points:**

- Films also give out social messages that make us aware of what's happening around us. They talk about topics that are taboo. Topics that are not easily said out loud by any other art form or even by ourselves, yet films portray them beautifully helping us understand the unsaid problems.

**Example:**

I do not think gay pride or caste discrimination would have been a very commonly spoken topic nowadays if not for films.

**Body paragraph 3**

The other side of the argument:

- I do realise that films have deviated people from reading books or visiting the museum. I do know that history, traditional or cultural artforms are diminishing.

Yet you believe that your side is logical or right.

- But I also think as technology grows, we should embrace it and be more accepting of the fact that newer technologies or art forms such as films have a lot of value too.

**Conclusion**

I strongly believe that films are no less in value than any other kinds of art forms. They are more accessible, relatable and belong to the people more than any other art form.



## Essay 47

Companies should provide sports and social facilities for local communities. To what extent do you agree?

### Sample Answer

Industries must contribute to promoting sports activities by conducting games and public events. Expressing support for local society could bring comprehensive benefits to business groups, therefore, I agree that gigantic firms must arrange fitness and cultural promoting campaigns.

To begin with, sport is a platform that develops the waves of jubilation in individuals and reunites haphazardly relations, also, the arrangement of sports projects will boost the healthy environment in the society and also become the source of motivation. Furthermore, physical fitness is mandatory for mental health. Physical movements are needed to improve the blood flow, to excrete deleterious partials from a person's body through the process of sweating. Consequently, prevents the non-oxygenated blood to get further corrupted with harmful viruses.

Furthermore, civilians of all countries are proud of their ancient traditions and forefather culture. Undoubtedly, for decades, numerous industries are creating spectacular profit, therefore, such firms could easily sponsor mediocre entertainment events. Moreover, that facilitates the society to maintain and remember their culture, which in return offer fame to the organization. For example, any folk and dance programs would allow individuals to brush up their striking and astonishing talent and keep them rooted to their culture and tradition.



To sum up, the game and gathering are immensely appreciable because such events could be an opportunity for emerging talents to expose their flawless and magnificent talents, and also, construct a peaceful, congenial and civilized society.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that companies should provide sports and social facilities for local communities?

or

- Do you disagree that companies should provide sports and social facilities for local communities?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased – Industries** must contribute to promoting sports activities by conducting games and public events.

**A thesis statement** – I agree that gigantic firms must arrange fitness and cultural promoting campaigns.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Advantages of sport platforms.

#### Supporting points:

- Physical fitness is mandatory for mental health.
- Physical movements are needed to improve the blood flow, to excrete deleterious partials from a person's body through the process of sweating. Example of the point 'how films belong to people'.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Keeping up with ancient traditions.

#### Supporting points:

- Sports facilitate the society to maintain and remember their culture, which in return offer fame to the organization. Example of the point 'films are relatable':

**Example:**

Any folk and dance programs would allow individuals to brush up their striking and astonishing talent and keep them rooted to their culture and tradition.

**Conclusion**

The game and gathering are immensely appreciable because such events could be an opportunity for emerging talents to expose their flawless and magnificent talents, and also, construct a peaceful, congenial and civilized society.



## Essay 48

Communication through text messaging and other instant forms of online communication are short and basic. Some people think this will be the death of grammar and spelling. Do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Due to the rapid advancement of technology, a sea-change has occurred in the field of communication. In the present scenario, individuals communicate with their family or friends with the help of the internet via social networking sites including Facebook, Instagram, and so on. A camp of society believes that if human beings will communicate through online short text messages with others, then, it will be the end of grammar and spellings. I partly disagree with the given argument.

First of all, the grammar rules and correct spellings of words are essential elements for writing a language in the right format. Students learn it during their school time from pedagogical experts. They memorize the correct spellings because short forms are not allowed in academics. So, the process of using grammar rules and the right spelling of words would not vanish. In particular, there are language tests available around the world including IELTS, ESOL, PTE, and so on. Such tests can only be passed through grammar rules as well as, correct spelling of words. These tests preserve the value of grammar and spelling.

Also, verbal communication needs correct grammar. We cannot speak a language without knowing its grammar rules nor can we incorrectly speak a language. I think that verbal communication stresses the need to learn the language correctly.

In conclusion, technology puts the lives of people on the ease by providing inbuilt keyboards on smartphones and personal computers. It helps them to type a word shortly but it does not abolish the need for grammar and correct spellings.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that films are a less important form of art and literature?

or

- Do you disagree that films are a less important form of art and literature?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.



## Introduction

### Question Paraphrased-

In the present scenario, individuals communicate with their family or friends with the help of the internet via social networking sites including Facebook, Instagram, and so on. A camp of society believes that if human beings will communicate through online short text messages with others, then, it will be the end of grammar and spellings.

**A thesis statement** - I partly disagree with the given argument.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** The grammar rules and correct spellings of words are essential elements.

#### Supporting points:

Students learn it during their school time from pedagogical experts. They memorize the correct spellings because short forms are not allowed in academics. So, the process of using grammar rules and the right spelling of words would not vanish.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Verbal communication needs correct grammar.

#### Supporting points:

- We cannot speak a language without knowing its grammar rules nor can we incorrectly speak a language. I think that verbal communication stresses the need to learn the language correctly.

## Conclusion

Technology puts the lives of people on the ease by providing inbuilt keyboards on smartphones and personal computers. It helps them to type a word shortly but it does not abolish the need for grammar and correct spellings.



## Essay 49

Some people think that public libraries are not necessary whereas others believe that they are essential for people. To what extent do you agree with this statement?

### Sample Answer

In olden days libraries were the only source of information, in the modern era of technology, there are a lot of advanced technologies through which you can gain a lot of information. But, indeed, books cannot be replaced by technology, and some people still believe in going to libraries and gaining information from it. Thus, I believe that libraries are still necessary to gain information.

Firstly, even if you have access to all the information online, the information available in books are more reliable and appropriate. Every information available in the library through books have facts and dates attached to them which make it easier for the learner to do any kind of research or gain information precisely. Also, libraries have books arranged according to sections which makes it easier to go check out the books you want instead of skimming through various Google links to find the appropriate information.

Secondly, the libraries will also give you a peaceful ambience where you can concentrate on the work that you are doing. A lot of you surf the internet in public while you're already multitasking and thus the concentration levels are really low. A library provides you with a quiet environment and helps you concentrate on your work.

However, some people think that libraries are not that essential because you get most of the necessary information online. And people also think that instead of spending a lot of time searching for appropriate information in libraries, you can just browse through the internet and get the information in a fraction of seconds. Hence, the number of people attending the libraries has dropped drastically. In spite of this, I strongly believe that libraries retain their importance and serve its purpose to a good lot of people.

To conclude this essay, we can say that, the libraries still possess the same importance as olden days. Even if there is a lot of advancement in technology, the information we get in the books cannot be replaced by the information that we get online.



## Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that public libraries are not necessary?
- or
- Do you disagree that public libraries are not necessary?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - In olden days libraries were the only source of information, in the modern era of technology, there are a lot of advanced technologies through which you can gain a lot of information.

**A thesis statement** - Thus, I believe that libraries are still necessary to gain information.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** 'The information available in books are more reliable and appropriate.'

#### Supporting points:

- Every information available in the library through books have facts and dates attached to them which make it easier for the learner to do any kind of research or gain information precisely.
- Libraries have books arranged according to sections which makes it easier to go check out the books you want instead of skimming through various Google links to find the appropriate information.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Libraries will also give you a peaceful ambience.

#### Supporting point:



- A lot of you surf the internet in public while you're already multitasking and thus the concentration levels are really low. A library provides you with a quiet environment and helps you concentrate on your work.

### Body paragraph 3

The other side of the argument:

- People also think that instead of spending a lot of time searching for appropriate information in libraries, you can just browse through the internet and get the information in a fraction of seconds.

Yet you believe that your side is logical or right.

- In spite of this, I strongly believe that libraries retain their importance and serve its purpose to a good lot of people.

### Conclusion

The libraries still possess the same importance as olden days. Even if there is a lot of advancement in technology, the information we get in the books cannot be replaced by the information that we get online.



## Essay 50

Some people believe that after the child begins his/her schooling their teachers will have more influence than their parents. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

School days form an integral part of a child's as well as a parent's life. It is commonly said that when a child enters her school days, the teacher creates more impact on their life than their parents. I completely agree that when the child is admitted to a school, their teacher will have more impact on them than their parents.

Firstly, a child spends more quality time with teachers in the school rather than spending time with their parents. When you're around a person a lot, what they say or tend to do influences your thoughts and behaviour, especially if you are a kid who isn't capable of making decisions yet but is in a continuous process of learning something new every single day. Children spend most of their day time in school with their teachers, naturally, teachers have a lot of influence on them.

Also, 'Actions speak louder than words' is a common phrase we all use. Most of the teachers make children understand what they are being taught rather than just explaining it to them with words. For example, though parents teach diversity at home, playing with other kids at school because their teacher told them about unity will influence the kid greatly.

In conclusion, we can say that even if parents do have an impact on the child. Teachers will have more impact on their lives as they spend a major portion of their day with teachers and are influenced easily by actions than words.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that with the development of online communication, people will never be alone and will always be able to make new friends?

or



- Do you disagree that with the development of online communication, people will never be alone and will always be able to make new friends?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

## Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - It is commonly said that when a child enters her school days, the teacher creates more impact on their life than their parents.

**A thesis statement** - I completely agree that when the child is admitted to a school, their teacher will have more impact on them than their parents.

## Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** A child spends more quality time with teachers in the school rather than spending time with their parents.

### Supporting points:

- When you're around a person a lot, what they say or tend to do influences your thoughts and behaviour, especially if you are a kid who isn't capable of making decisions yet but is in a continuous process of learning something new every single day.

## Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Actions speak louder than words' is a common phrase we all use.

### Supporting points:

- Most of the teachers make children understand what they are being taught rather than just explaining it to them with words.

## Conclusion

In conclusion, we can say that even if parents do have an impact on the child. Teachers will have more impact on their lives as they spend a major portion of their day with teachers and are influenced easily by actions than words.



## Essay 51

People's shopping habits depend more on the age group that they belong to than any other factors. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

These days, shopping has become increasingly popular among people of all ages. Some people argue that the shopping preferences of a person are determined by their age. I do not agree with this as I think a person's ability to shop is ultimately determined by their financial status and not by the age factor.

Rich people tend to shop more than poor people, this is not necessarily because their needs are greater, they buy more because they can afford it. Same way, poor people cannot afford to shop frequently because their financial situation does not allow the same. Of course, some people borrow money to buy things, but they cannot carry on this habit for long because there is a limit to the amount of credit a person can get.

As much as social status plays a role in shopping, peer pressure does too. A lot of people are influenced by their friends to buy something that they do not necessarily need. For example, if there is a new video game in shops and your child's best friend has it, your child might throw a tantrum saying he wants it.

The age of a person might also influence their shopping habits. Impulsive shopping, for example, is more common among youngsters. They often follow ads by their favourite celebrities and buy things that they may or may not need. They are also more likely to invest in clothing according to the latest trends, latest gadgets and new personal care products. Even so, not every youngster spends in the same way. Young people coming from rich family backgrounds certainly spend more than the people who come from moderate and poor family backgrounds.

The important factor that could influence the shopping habits of people is their values and beliefs. People who believe in simple living are unlikely to avoid spending too much even if they can afford it. In conclusion, the financial situation of a person and peer pressure are the factors that contribute to shopping habits.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that shopping habits depend more on the age group?



or

- Do you disagree that shopping habits depend more on the age group?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** -These days, shopping has become increasingly popular among people of all ages. Some people argue that the shopping preferences of a person are determined by their age.

**A thesis statement** - I do not agree with this as I think a person's ability to shop is ultimately determined by their financial status and not by the age factor.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Financial status of a person influences their shopping habits.

#### Supporting points:

- Rich people tend to shop more than poor people, this is not necessarily because their needs are greater, they buy more because they can afford it.
- Some people borrow money to buy things, but they cannot carry on this habit for long because there is a limit to the amount of credit a person can get.

### Body Paragraph 2

**Central idea:** Peer pressure.

#### Supporting points example:

- A lot of people are influenced by their friends to buy something that they do not necessarily need.

### Body Paragraph 3

**Central Idea:** The influence of age factor.

#### Supporting points:



- Impulsive shopping, for example, is more common among youngsters. They often follow ads by their favourite celebrities and buy things that they may or may not need. They are also more likely to invest in clothing according to the latest trends, latest gadgets and new personal care products.

**Supporting point 2:**

- Even so, not every youngster spends in the same way. Young people coming from rich family backgrounds certainly spend more than the people who come from moderate and poor family backgrounds.

**Conclusion**

The financial situation of a person and peer pressure are the factors that contribute to shopping habits.



## Essay 52

It is not necessary to travel to other places to learn about other cultures of other people. We can learn just as much from books, films and the internet. Do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Some people have the opinion that in order to know about the cultures of other nations, it is necessary to travel. However, I believe that people can learn about the cultures of other nations by watching television and using the internet.

On the one hand, some people say that we can get all the information we need about other countries online and on television. I strongly agree with them. Many websites contain all the knowledge needed about every country on this planet. Information about cultures, traditions, languages, foods, and weather can be found on websites such as Wikipedia and YouTube.

It is also possible to meet different people from other countries online and make friends. And it is convenient for the people who want to learn about other cultures but cannot afford to travel as travelling is very expensive.

On the other hand, some people believe travelling is the best way to learn more about other nations. They think that without travelling it is not possible to learn much about the traditions, cultures, and even languages of other nations. For instance, in their opinion, travelling allows us to interact with local people and know what they like and dislike. But I insist that all these interactions and knowledge can be attained on the internet too.

This clearly shows that people can learn about the cultures of other nations, know about people without physically travelling to them. Although travelling is a great way of learning about other countries, I strongly believe that all information about the cultures of other nations can be obtained through television and online platforms.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that it is not necessary to travel to other places to learn about other cultures of other people.?

or



- Do you disagree that it is not necessary to travel to other places to learn about other cultures of other people.?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - Some people have the opinion that in order to know about the cultures of other nations, it is necessary to travel.

**A thesis statement** – I believe that people can learn about the cultures of other nations by watching television and using the internet.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Knowledge can be found on the internet.

#### Supporting points:

- Many websites contain all the knowledge needed about every country on this planet. Information about cultures, traditions, languages, foods, and weather can be found on websites such as Wikipedia and YouTube.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Meeting different people online.

#### Supporting points:

- And it is convenient for the people who want to learn about other cultures but cannot afford to travel as travelling is very expensive.

### Body paragraph 3

The other side of the argument:

- They think that without travelling it is not possible to learn much about the traditions, cultures, and even languages of other nations.

Yet you believe that your side is logical or right.

- But I insist that all these interactions and knowledge can be attained on the internet too.



## Conclusion

This clearly shows that people can learn about the cultures of other nations, know about people without physically travelling to them. Although travelling is a great way of learning about other countries, I strongly believe that all information about the cultures of other nations can be obtained through television and online platforms.



## Essay 53

In the past, lectures were used as a way of teaching a large number of students, but now with the development of technology for education, many people think there is no justification for attending lectures. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this opinion.

### Sample Answer

As per the topic, it is said that the advancement of technology has decreased the importance of lectures as a way of teaching. I completely disagree with the fact because even though there is a lot of technological advancement, going to college and listening to lectures will always be useful and important.

In my opinion, technology cannot replace the need of going to classrooms and gaining knowledge. Because, while taking online classes you might not get the opportunity to ask doubts that occur suddenly and you also cannot be so sure that the technology will give you the exact answer, whereas in the classroom it is easy to clear the doubts that occur then and there. You also have full concentration, as the teacher may not allow you to divert your mind.

Furthermore, I believe that learning has to be done together and social contact helps you learn much better than learning alone. When you notice your peers invested in the class and listening to your teacher take a lecture, you automatically get invested in the lecture. Also, it's much easier to understand subjects when there's a discussion regarding certain topics with your peers making the subject more understandable.

However, technology does help students' study from any part of the world and also gain information quickly. It can also be very useful for students who are handicapped or who are in remote areas and cannot travel to the cities. There is also no time limit for using technology and gaining information through it. Yet, according to me, lectures in class take an upper hand than online lectures.

To conclude, there is no doubt that technology gives students a lot of information, but the important doubts students get can only be solved by the lecturing method. And it also helps the students to acquire good knowledge and perform well.



## Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that lectures are a waste of time?
- or
- Do you disagree that lectures are a waste of time?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - It is said that the advancement of technology has decreased the importance of lectures as a way of teaching.

**A thesis statement** – I completely disagree with the fact because even though there is a lot of technological advancement, going to college and listening to lectures will always be useful and important.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** While taking online classes you might not get the opportunity to ask doubts that occur suddenly.

#### Supporting points:

- You also cannot be so sure that the technology will give you the exact answer, whereas in the classroom it is easy to clear the doubts that occur then and there.
- You also have full concentration, as the teacher may not allow you to divert your mind.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** I believe that learning has to be done together and social contact helps you learn much better than learning alone.

#### Supporting points:

- When you notice your peers invested in the class and listening to your teacher take a lecture, you automatically get invested in the lecture.
- Also, it's much easier to understand subjects when there's a discussion regarding certain topics with your peers making the subject more understandable.



### **Body paragraph 3**

The other side of the argument:

Technology does help students' study from any part of the world and also gain information quickly

Yet you believe that your side is logical or right.

According to me, lectures in class take an upper hand than online lectures.

### **Conclusion**

There is no doubt that technology gives students a lot of information, but the important doubts students get can only be solved by the lecturing method. And it also helps the students to acquire good knowledge and perform well.



## Essay 54

Living on earth would become difficult in the future. So, more money should be spent on researching other planets to live, like Mars. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Nowadays, countries are investing a lot on space researches, as living on earth would become difficult in the future. I disagree with this as this money could be utilized to overcome the global issues we are facing on earth. Instead, the government should allocate this money to improve environmental issues on earth.

To begin with, there are several reasons why governments should spend this money to improve the conditions on earth. Firstly, global warming is one of the major threats. As the earth temperature is increasing drastically, the government could spend money to control global warming. For example, the government can start raising awareness among citizens to minimize the threat of global warming and make people aware of the consequences and encourage them to adopt an environment-friendly lifestyle. Secondly, governments should invest in research to control environmental damage. By doing this, they ensure having a wide range of scientists to support the country in the development of researches, which will add economic value to the country.

Furthermore, the government should focus on building an eco-friendly transportation system which connects all the parts of the cities and the country. As a result, people will start using public transport instead of using their cars which will reduce air pollution and the release of toxic, greenhouse gases in the atmosphere. For example, in the USA the government provides public buses and metro that covers all the parts of the country.

In conclusion, instead of allocating money for space researches, the money can be utilized to improve the living conditions on earth. It can be considered an effective and essential method instead. In my opinion, the government must focus more on how to overcome environmental issues faced on earth and raise the quality of life instead of researching other planets to live.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that more money should be spent on researching other planets to live?

or



- Do you disagree that more money should be spent on researching other planets to live?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### **Introduction**

**Question Paraphrased:** Countries are investing a lot on space researches, as living on earth would become difficult in the future.

**A thesis statement:** I disagree with this as this money could be utilized to overcome the global issues we are facing on earth. Instead, the government should allocate this money to improve environmental issues on earth.

### **Body Paragraph 1**

Example of a central idea: Global warming.

#### **Supporting points:**

- Firstly, global warming is one of the major threats. As the earth temperature is increasing drastically, the government could spend money to control global warming.

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** Building an eco-friendly transportation

#### **Supporting points:**

- As a result, people will start using public transport instead of using their cars which will reduce air pollution and the release of toxic, greenhouse gases in the atmosphere.

### **Conclusion**

Instead of allocating money for space researches, the money can be utilized to improve the living conditions on earth. It can be considered an effective and essential method instead.



## Essay 55

Some people believe that the whole family (grandparents, uncles and aunts) bringing up children is better than only parents. What is your opinion?

### Sample Answer

It is often said that raising children is not only the responsibility of the parents but the whole family. In my opinion, growing up in a huge family will teach the children the true value of family, to respect the elder people and an opportunity to bond with the family.

Growing in a joint family will help children know the importance of each other and every member of the family. It will help the children value their family and stand next to their family in any bad situations. Moreover, children get both moral and financial support when they have their relatives and grandparents living together with them during an emergency. This also gives them the courage to achieve their goals and strength to face any difficulties.

Bringing up children in a joint family becomes much easier as there are so many people to take care of the children. In nuclear families, parents are usually busy with their jobs and do not have much time to spend with their children and children feel lonely. But this is not the case in joint families, other members of the family will take care of the children, feed them and even help them with their homework. A joint family teaches the children the value of adjusting and teaches them how to be flexible in any environment and cope with all the situations and keep every member of the family happy and content. Whereas in nuclear families, children often become attention seekers due to the constant absence of their parents.

I completely agree that the children should be brought by the entire family, as the children are taken care of by all the members of the family. At the same time, it helps the children understand the relationship between their family members and to build their character by not being rigid and rude to other members of the family.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that that the whole family (grandparents, uncles and aunts) bringing up children is better than only parents?

or



- Do you disagree that the whole family (grandparents, uncles and aunts) bringing up children is better than only parents?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** -It is often said that raising children is not only the responsibility of the parents but the whole family.

**A thesis statement** - In my opinion, growing up in a huge family will teach the children the true value of family, to respect the elder people and an opportunity to bond with the family.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Importance of growing up in a joint family.

#### Supporting points:

- Growing in a joint family will help children know the importance of each other and every member of the family. It will help the children value their family and stand next to their family in any bad situations.
- Children get both moral and financial support when they have their relatives and grandparents living together with them during an emergency. This also gives them the courage to achieve their goals and strength to face any difficulties.

### Body Paragraph 2

**Central idea:** Students have different field of interest.

#### Supporting points:

- In nuclear families, parents are usually busy with their jobs and do not have much time to spend with their children and children feel lonely. But this is not the case in joint families, other members of the family will take care of the children.
- A joint family teaches the children the value of adjusting and teaches them how to be flexible in any environment and cope with all the situations and keep every member of the family happy and content. Whereas in nuclear families, children often become attention seekers due to the constant absence of their parents.

### Conclusion



I completely agree that the children should be brought by the entire family, as the children are taken care of by all the members of the family. At the same time, it helps the children understand the relationship between their family members and to build their character by not being rigid and rude to other members of the family.



## Essay 56

A lot of people think people are being over dependent on phones and the internet? Do you agree?

### Sample Answer

With the advancement in technology, people are becoming more dependent on their smartphones and internet for a lot of activities, which once seemed impossible at the click of a button. I agree that people are being over dependent on phones and the internet.

Even though the arrival of smart mobiles and other networking technologies have immensely benefited mankind in providing certain services instantly, it comes at a tremendous price. Because of the increasing dependence on their mobile screens for various reasons, people get glued to their devices much more than ever. For example, it is widely known that people to people interaction has drastically gone down in recent years, in most parts of the world. Not only does mobile phones increase the exposure to radiation, but also results in various life-threatening diseases. One clear example is the growth of cancer cells in the human body, as a result of increased radiation levels that the body is exposed to.

Additionally, since the arrival of the internet, people increasingly rely on them to perform various transactions from the comfort of their home, which in its absence would have required them to be present physically at particular offices and banks. Thus, because of decreased physical motion, we lead an inactive lifestyle. For instance, it is an accepted fact that people worldwide prefer to do their banking transactions online, rather than visiting the bank in person, which takes a lot more time and effort. Furthermore, people get easily distracted by various notifications on their mobiles that can decrease their productivity and efficiency levels at work. Hence, many international companies prohibit their employees to take phones into the office, because of the same reason.

In conclusion, even though the arrival of modern technological devices has benefited people tremendously, the negatives far outweigh the positives. And as it helps the public function better, it is going to stay for a while in this fast-paced life, it can also expose us to diseases due to unhealthy and easy-going lifestyle.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,



- Do you agree that a lot of people think people are being over dependant on phones and the internet?

or

- Do you disagree that a lot of people think people are being over dependant on phones and the internet?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - With the advancement in technology, people are becoming more dependent on their smartphones and internet for a lot of activities, which once seemed impossible at the click of a button.

**A thesis statement** - I agree that people are being over dependant on phones and the internet.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Addiction to Mobile Phones.

#### Supporting points:

- Even though the arrival of smart mobiles and other networking technologies have immensely benefited mankind in providing certain services instantly, it comes at a tremendous price.
- Because of the increasing dependence on their mobile screens for various reasons, people get glued to their devices much more than ever.

#### Example:

- It is widely known that people to people interaction has drastically gone down in recent years, in most parts of the world.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Lack of physical movement and decreased productivity.

#### Supporting points:



- Since the arrival of the internet, people increasingly rely on them to perform various transactions from the comfort of their home, which in its absence would have required them to be present physically at particular offices and banks.
- People get easily distracted by various notifications on their mobiles that can decrease their productivity and efficiency levels at work. Hence, many international companies prohibit their employees to take phones into the office, because of the same reason.

### **Conclusion**

Even though the arrival of modern technological devices has benefited people tremendously, the negatives far outweigh the positives. And as it helps the public function better, it is going to stay for a while in this fast-paced life, it can also expose us to diseases due to unhealthy and easy-going lifestyle.



## Essay 57

In school or universities, girls prefer subjects related to art and boys prefer subjects related science. Should this tendency be changed? What is your opinion?

### Sample Answer

In the past, it was often believed that girls are supposed to pursue arts as they would ultimately get married. Science was considered to be a field of study for boys as they were believed to be the breadwinners of the family. As times changed, so has the perception of people. I believe that this has to change, both boys and girls should be able to choose what they want.

For generations, our girls were told what to do and what not to do by society. So, our girls were usually told not to choose subjects related to science because it wouldn't be of any use to them. Girls, in those days, got married at a very young age and so we're told to focus on subjects related to art to take care of the family and not waste their studies. Women who chose to pursue science subjects beyond all this were considered to be bold. Times have changed now as we have seen brilliant women scientists like Madame Marie Curie who has won 2 Noble Peace Prizes and was the first women to do so.

On the contrary, we have also seen great artists like Beethoven, whose remarkable compositions are considered as gems. They are praised and loved all over the world to date. Imagine our plight if we'd told Beethoven that he is supposed to be studying science as he is supposed to be the breadwinner of the family. I believe that a girl or a boy should have the freedom to choose their subject of interest

The society deciding the guidelines what a girl or boy should study is completely unacceptable. As both boys and girls are equally talented and knowledgeable and can choose any field of interest whether it may be arts or science irrespective of gender.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that this tendency should be changed?

or

- Do you disagree that this tendency should be changed?



Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

## Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - In the past, it was often believed that girls are supposed to pursue arts as they would ultimately get married. Science was considered to be a field of study for boys as they were believed to be the breadwinners of the family.

**A thesis statement** - I believe that this has to change, both boys and girls should be able to choose what they want.

## Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Girls weren't allowed to choose their field of study.

### Supporting points:

- For generations, our girls were told what to do and what not to do by society. So, our girls were usually told not to choose subjects related to science because it wouldn't be of any use to them.
- Girls, in those days, got married at a very young age and so we're told to focus on subjects related to art to take care of the family and not waste their studies. Women who chose to pursue science subjects beyond all this were considered to be bold.

## Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Men were forced to choose science as their field of study.

### Supporting points:

- We have also seen great artists like Beethoven, whose remarkable compositions are considered as gems. They are praised and loved all over the world to date. Imagine our plight if we'd told Beethoven that he is supposed to be studying science as he is supposed to be the breadwinner of the family.

## Conclusion



The society deciding the guidelines on what a girl or boy should study is completely unacceptable. As both boys and girls are equally talented and knowledgeable and can choose any field of interest whether it may be arts or science irrespective of gender.



## Essay 58

The young should get advice from old people than young people. Do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

At some point in our lives we seek advice, we often reach out to our parents, grandparents, mentors and sometimes even friends. But we often tend to reach out to older people for better advice than young people, and I agree with that.

Older people have more experiences than we do. They would have come across some sort of similar situation at some point in their lives too, and so they have the wisdom to guide us through the situation and help us make the right decisions. Older people show us both the sides of the problem. Older people can provide us a deeper insight into the issue and give us advices which can be helpful both in our personal and professional life.

I believe there's a knack in which older people explain things to the younger generation. They could be in the form of stories or by talking about their past. For example, my grandparents used to give advices that were beyond me and when I did not understand it, they would tell me stories and explain the advice to me in a way that I can understand. We, as a young generation, should be open to listen to the advices that the older people have to offer.

When we reach out to an older person for advice often, we should have a sense of faith in them, I agree with the fact that it is better to take advice from older people than young people.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that the young should get advice from old people rather than young people?

or

- Do you disagree that the young should get advice from old people rather than young people??

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.



## Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - At some point in our lives we seek advice, we often reach out to our parents, grandparents, mentors and sometimes even friends.

**A thesis statement** - We often tend to reach out to older people for better advice than young people, and I agree with that.

## Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Older people have more life experiences than younger ones.

### Supporting points:

- They would have come across some sort of similar situation at some point in their lives too, and so they have the wisdom to guide us through the situation and help us make the right decisions.
- Older people show us both the sides of the problem. Older people can provide us a deeper insight into the issue and give us advices which can be helpful both in our personal and professional life.

## Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Older people have a knack for explaining things.

### Supporting points:

- They could be in the form of stories or by talking about their past.

### Example:

- My grandparents used to give advices that were beyond me and when I did not understand it, they would tell me stories and explain the advice to me in a way that I can understand.

## Conclusion

When we reach out to an older person for advice often, we should have a sense of faith in them. I agree with the fact that it is better to take advice from older people than young people.



## Essay 59

It is too expensive to look after and repair old buildings. This money should be spent on building modern buildings instead. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

It is often argued that the maintenance of old buildings and repairing is too expensive and instead the money should be spent on building new buildings with modern amenities and I agree but it also depends on the type of building.

People often tend to spend a lot of money to repair their ancestral homes, which has sentimental value but causes a fortune for maintenance. Often due to rain and change in weather conditions, cracks can be seen and needs to be repaired again and again which leads to a hole in your pockets. Earlier, houses were built with mud and wood which tend to become weak as time passes and the building might fall at any point of time risking the lives of many due to accidental damage. Instead, it is better to build a new building that is strong and durable with the same money instead of repairing the old building.

However, when it comes to buildings that are considered as historic buildings or historical monuments, they must and should be preserved, maintained and taken care of. As these historic buildings represent our rich inherent cultural heritage and it represents the era of the finest constructions made, this is considered to be an aspect of pride. These monuments also spread awareness among the community about their culture and give them a sense of pride and belonging.

With all the points discussed above it is cheaper to build a new building instead of repairing the old buildings, but when it comes to old historic buildings that tell us about our history, we should preserve them.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side.

So,

- Do you agree that money should be spent on building modern buildings instead of old buildings?



or

- Do you disagree that money should be spent on building modern buildings instead of old buildings?

Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - It is often argued that the maintenance of old buildings and repairing is too expensive and instead the money should be spent on building new buildings with modern amenities

**A thesis statement** - I agree but it also depends on the type of building.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Repairing old buildings is a waste of money.

#### Supporting points:

- People often tend to spend a lot of money to repair their ancestral homes, which has sentimental value but causes a fortune for maintenance.
- Often due to rain and change in weather conditions, cracks can be seen and needs to be repaired again and again which leads to a hole in your pockets. Earlier, houses were built with mud and wood which tend to become weak as time passes and the building might fall at any point of time risking the lives of many due to accidental damage.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Historical buildings are an exception.

#### Supporting points:

- When it comes to buildings that are considered as historic buildings or historical monuments, they must and should be preserved, maintained and taken care of.
- As these historic buildings represent our rich inherent cultural heritage and it represents the era of the finest constructions made, this is considered to be an aspect of pride.

### Conclusion



With all the points discussed above it is cheaper to build a new building instead of repairing the old buildings, but when it comes to old historic buildings that tell us about our history, we should preserve them.



## Essay 60

Some people say it's a waste of time to plan for the future. We should live in the present. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

### Sample Answer

Planning for the future is something all of us love doing. Many of them argue, that this is a waste of time though. Nonetheless, I believe thinking and planning about the future is the key to success.

To begin with, most of the people believe that the subconscious mind works like a controlled missile, once a target for the future is set, it follows the path that would lead to achievement. Someone without a thorough plan would be derailed from the track that would lead to the success of their dreams. This example denies the idea that planning for and thinking about the future is a waste of time.

Also, individuals who plan ahead of time, are better equipped to deal with the problems that life throws at them than their counterparts who choose to live in the moment. People who have anticipated the future would have a better understanding of the issues that come along with it. They would tackle the issues much easier. We are often told to live in the moment and enjoy life as it comes to reduce stress and anxiety about the future. I don't think that people who live their life in the moment are less stressed or anxious, that is just a myth. Planning for the future only makes us better equipped to handle life problems and be less stressed in the future.

As a result, due to the higher probability of achieving one's goals and enhanced ability to deal with unexpected consequences, it is clear that planning for and thinking about future is not a waste of time. I feel that people should dedicate enough time to think about the future.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an opinion essay which means you had to pick a side. So,

- Do you agree that it's a waste of time to plan for the future?

or

- Do you disagree that it's a waste of time to plan for the future?



Once you pick a side, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - Planning for the future is something all of us love doing. Many of them argue, that this is a waste of time though.

**A thesis statement** - Nonetheless, I believe thinking and planning about the future is the key to success.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Planning for the future leads to success.

#### Supporting points:

- Someone without a thorough plan would be derailed from the track that would lead to the success of their dreams.
- Most of the people believe that the subconscious mind works like a controlled missile, once a target for the future is set, it follows the path that would lead to achievement.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** People who plan ahead are better equipped.

#### Supporting points:

- People who have anticipated the future would have a better understanding of the issues that come along with it. They would tackle the issues much easier.
- We are often told to live in the moment and enjoy life as it comes to reduce stress and anxiety about the future. I don't think that people who live their life in the moment are less stressed or anxious, that is just a myth.

### Conclusion

Due to the higher probability of achieving one's goals and enhanced ability to deal with unexpected consequences, it is clear that planning for and thinking about future is not a waste of time. I feel that people should dedicate enough time to think about the future.



## Discussion Essay

### General Structure

#### Instructions to follow

- If you are given a discussion essay, you have to write about both sides of the statement.
- Offer your opinion, only if you are asked to.
- Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

A discussion essay should have:

- Introduction
- 3 Body Paragraphs
- ★ The 3rd body paragraph is optional. It will get you a higher band score
- Conclusion

#### Introduction

- Your introduction paragraph should paraphrase your question. Use synonyms for the words used in the question.
- A thesis statement (if asked for opinion) – This statement should clearly state your opinion (i.e) whether you agree or disagree with the statement.

#### Body Paragraph 1

Your body paragraph should revolve around:

- A central idea
- Supporting points
- Example (Optional)

#### A central idea

The paragraph should revolve around this idea. Supporting points - Added points that support your central idea.



Example - Examples from your real-life experiences that support the supporting idea. They are optional.

### **Body Paragraph 2**

A central idea- The paragraph should revolve around this idea. Supporting points - Added points that support your central idea.

Example - Examples from your real-life experiences that support the supporting idea. They are optional.

### **Body paragraph 3**

It should contain your opinion along with supporting points for your opinion. This can be done in the conclusion paragraph too but it may be a bit weird. Thus, it's always better to have a body paragraph with your opinion.

### **Conclusion**

Paraphrase your question along with an emphasis on your opinion



## Essay 61

Some people think that famous people can help international aid organizations to draw attention to important problems. Others believe that the celebrities can make the problems seem less important. Discuss both views and give your opinion

### Sample Answer

Many individuals hold the perspective that international relief aid programs frequently use celebrities to promote public awareness about social concerns like poverty, malnutrition and many other problems. In contrast, others believe that celebrities' activities can be used to minimize the severity of problems. I believe that engaging celebrities in such activities can help create global awareness. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall discuss both views and give reasons to support my point of view.

On the one hand, there are many who believe that promoting such important topics with the help of well-known celebrities is inappropriate. Celebrities are usually unconcerned about these problems and are solely interested in enhancing their public image. Also, some celebrities charge exorbitant fees to promote such activities. Furthermore, most individuals who attend these gatherings are more interested in seeing celebrities than in the severity of the issues.

On the other hand, events that are frequently connected with famous celebrities receive more attention than those that are not, as many individuals follow and are inspired by these superstars. Angelina Jolie, for example, is a well-known actress who is also known for her charitable efforts throughout the world. As a result, her participation in social gatherings has drawn attention to topics that might otherwise go unnoticed.

To summarise, celebrities have the ability to bring attention to subjects that may otherwise be overlooked. If handled with care and sensitivity, the icon can play a key role in implementing change. However, if that person uses the issue to benefit him- or herself, rather than the other way around, they can do irreparable harm to society in general.



## Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion. Choose a side. State your opinion on it.

### Introduction:

**Question Paraphrased** - Many individuals hold the perspective that international assistance organizations frequently use celebrities to promote public awareness about social concerns like poverty, malnutrition and many other problems. In contrast, others believe that celebrities' activities can be used to minimize the severity of problems.

**Opinion** - I believe that engaging celebrities in such activities can help create global awareness.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall discuss both views and give reasons to support my point of view.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Central Idea:** Impact of negative endorsement on social issues by celebrities

#### Supporting points:

- Certain celebrities are not concerned in the severity of the issues
- Concerned about improving their public image
- Charge hefty amount of money for promotion

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central Idea:** Impact of positive endorsement on social issues by celebrities

#### Supporting points:

- Gains more attention than it would have otherwise
- Draw attention to people on such issues

### Conclusion:

Reiterated that celebrities have the ability to bring attention to subjects that otherwise go unnoticed and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 62

Some people think that governments should spend more money on sports facilities for top athletes, others argue that this money should be spent on sports facilities for ordinary people. Discuss both sides and give your opinion.

### Sample Answer

As there is growing interest in sports, it is undeniable that the government should allocate a certain amount from the budget to enhance the sports facilities. Some individuals believe that the government should provide significant funding for elite athletes. However, others believe that money should be used to benefit the general public. I believe that the government should spend money to improve their sporting facilities because many athletes rely heavily on government financing and infrastructure. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall discuss both sides and provide reasons for my point of view.

Athletes are every country's pride, and they represent their countries on a variety of platforms. To be able to play their sports efficiently on international stages, athletes must engage in rigorous training and need specialized equipment. Moreover, the funding of sports athletes is heavily reliant on government agencies. There is no alternative way to obtain highly developed facilities. The general population, on the other hand, only needs facilities to maintain their health and physical fitness.

Contrary to the above arguments, some people believe that citizens pay a significant amount of taxes and are expected to use governmental services to improve their lives. Apart from that, sports play an essential role in people's health. If the government offers good sports clubs in all cities, people's living standards will improve. Furthermore, by constructing sports facilities in numerous places, the government would be able to assist the underprivileged in improving their health.

To sum up, it is true that the general public also deserves to utilize public facilities. However, athletes require more funding because they represent the nation at the global level.



## Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion. Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - As there is growing interest in sports, it is undeniable that the government should allocate a certain amount from the budget to enhance the sports facilities. Some individuals believe that the government should provide significant funding for elite athletes. However, others believe that money should be used to benefit the general public.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall discuss both sides and provide reasons for my point of view.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Importance of sport facilities for athletes

**Supporting points:**

- To be able to play their sports efficiently on international stages, athletes must engage in rigorous training and need specialized equipment.
- The funding of sports athletes is heavily reliant on government agencies.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Significance of sport facilities for general public

**Supporting points:**

- By constructing sports facilities in numerous places, the government would be able to assist the underprivileged in improving their health.

### Conclusion

It's true that the general public also deserves to utilize public facilities. However, athletes require more sports facilities funding because they represent the nation at the global level.



## Essay 63

Some believe that more action should be taken to prevent crime, while others feel that crime is being tackled effectively now. Discuss both sides and give your own opinion.

### Sample Answer

Crime has always been a matter of concern for all civilised societies. Many people feel the government should make effective efforts to curb current criminal activity, while others say the crime rate is being adequately addressed. I believe the government should enact stringent regulations and methods to combat the rise in criminal activity. In the following paragraph, I shall put forth both sides of the argument and give reasons for my opinion.

On the one hand, we have grown more aware and wary of the kind of criminal acts within the country than we were previously. Cyber fraud, online banking fraud, money laundering, molestation, and all other forms of anti-social behaviour are examples. CCTV surveillance has actively bolstered the police's ability to combat and identify such crimes.

On the other hand, it has been noted that the government's new efforts are insufficient to combat the rising crime rate. Security issues are rising due to technical developments, such as hacking software built by hackers that allows anybody to access people's personal information. Moreover, criminality against women is growing on a daily basis. The government must impose severe penalties. Furthermore, the government should mandate training to students in order for them to be prepared to defend themselves in the event of a violent or criminal situation.

To sum up, citizens have gained a greater awareness of crime, and some effective solutions have also been introduced. However, in order to minimise crime, the government must become more advanced and enforce strict laws.



## Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion. Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - Crime has always been a matter of concern for all civilised societies. Many people feel the government should make effective efforts to curb current criminal activity, while others say the crime rate is being adequately addressed.

**A thesis statement** - In the following paragraphs, I shall put forth both sides of the argument and give reasons for my opinion.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Growing awareness amongst people and government against crime

#### Supporting points:

- People have grown more aware and wary of the kind of criminal acts within the country than we were previously.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Increasing criminal activities

#### Supporting points:

- Government's new efforts are insufficient to combat the rising crime rate
- Government must impose severe penalties

### Conclusion

Concluded that citizens have gained a greater awareness of crime, and some effective solutions have also been introduced. However, in order to minimise crime, the government must become more advanced and enforce strict laws.



## Essay 64

Some people believe that the Olympic games help bring people from different nations together, while others claim that holding the Olympics wastes money which could be used for important issues. Discuss both sides and give your opinion

### Sample Answer

Many individuals nowadays believe that hosting the Olympic games is a waste of money that might be spent on more important things. But others claim that it aids in bringing people together. I agree with the latter part of the argument, as the Olympics holds great value. In the following paragraphs, I shall put forth both sides of the argument and give reasons for my opinion.

Some people feel that sporting events such as the Olympics are unnecessary and a waste of money and resources. For example, during the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro, people believed that too much money was being spent on the event, potentially exacerbating the conditions of the poor. The money could have been spent on improving the country's infrastructure or raising the country's literacy and employment rates. Meanwhile, any problem during the event could mean the organisers lose money rather than make it.

Other people say that the Olympic games are largely sponsored by developed nations and are held only once in four years. Countries participating in the games frequently form international friendships and encourage healthy competition. Because it allows many people worldwide to showcase their talents and abilities on a global scale, it unwittingly fosters the concept of ethnic togetherness. It also aids individuals in learning and exchanging cultures, strengthening ties between various countries across the world.

To summarise, despite the fact that the Olympic Games demand significant expenditure, they are extremely valuable in unifying the world under one roof and promoting the development of good international connections.



## Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion. Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - Many individuals nowadays believe that hosting the Olympic games is a waste of money that might be spent on more important things. But, others claim it aids in bringing people together.

**A thesis statement** - In the following paragraphs, I shall put forth both sides of the argument and give reasons for my opinion.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Against Olympics

#### Supporting points:

- Some people feel that sporting events such as the Olympics are unnecessary and a waste of money and resources.
- The money could have been spent on improving the country's infrastructure or raising the country's literacy and employment rates.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** In favour of Olympics

#### Supporting points:

- Aids individuals in learning and exchanging cultures, strengthening ties between various countries across the world.

### Conclusion

Concluded that despite the fact that the Olympic Games demand significant expenditure, they are extremely valuable in unifying the world under one roof and promoting the development of good international connections.



## Essay 65

Some people believe the purpose of education should be helping the individual to become useful for society, while others believe it should help individuals to achieve their ambitions. Discuss both sides and give your opinion.

### Sample Answer

People have various outlooks on the purpose of education. Some people believe that the purpose of education is to make everyone contribute to society in terms of their knowledge and abilities. Quite contrary to this, there are people who think that education should assist people in developing self-awareness and help achieve their desired goals. In my opinion, education should help individuals to become responsible members of society. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall discuss both the views and reasons for my opinion.

Education has always been important for the improvement of society and individuals. It is commonly assumed that education has aided in the growth of the country and its worldwide standing. People who become physicians or engineers, for example, contribute to the country's general growth by saving lives and constructing new and sophisticated infrastructure. Therefore, education is viewed as a weapon, and people should utilise their education for the good of society in order to enhance and change the entire attitude of the society.

Alternatively, most individuals do not consider the significance of education in the same way. The majority of individuals pursue education in order to achieve their aspirations and goals of becoming financially secure and fulfilling their roles and obligations in their families. Education should not be used to repress people's passions and objectives in life; rather, it should assist them in achieving their goals. It should help individuals live a free and liberated life.

To sum up, both sides of the argument have their merits. However, education should assist individuals in improving their surroundings and fostering a more secure and knowledgeable community.



## Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion. Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - People have various outlooks on the purpose of education. Some people believe that the purpose of education is to make everyone contribute to society in terms of their knowledge and abilities. Quite contrary to this, there are people who think that education should assist people in developing self-awareness and achieving their desired goals.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall discuss both the views and reasons for my opinion.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Importance of education for society

**Supporting points:**

- It is commonly assumed that education has aided in the growth of the country and its worldwide standing.
- Education is viewed as a weapon, and people should utilise their education for the good of society in order to enhance and change the entire attitude of society.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Importance of education for individuals

**Supporting points:**

- Education should not be used to repress people's passions and objectives in life; rather, it should assist them in achieving their goals. It should help individuals live a free and liberated life.

### Conclusion

Concluded that education should assist individuals in improving their surroundings and fostering a more secure and knowledgeable community.



## Essay 66

Some people think students should study the science of food and how to prepare it. Others think students should spend time on important subjects. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

### Sample Answer

The subject selection in schools is a contentious issue that frequently divides views. Nowadays, choosing a field of study is seen as a crucial step, and some people feel that students should understand the science of food and how to prepare it regardless of the field they pick. Others feel it is a waste of time. In my perspective, I agree with the initial part of the debate. In the following paragraphs, I shall put forth both sides of the argument and provide reasons for my opinion.

On the one hand, as we progress into the modern period, people's desire to settle in metropolitan areas and find work is growing. Since many people are moving away from their families, fundamental skills such as cooking and cleaning are increasingly important. The major reason why adults should encourage children to study food science is that it aids in the study of topics such as nutritional biochemistry, food production, and many more. It might assist students in leading better lifestyles via food and nutrition instruction, and it could help them improve their mental and physical health through specially designed diets.

On the other hand, some argue that schools and universities are the only places students can focus on academic learning. Also, food science as a subject does not have much scope in the market. Moreover, it requires an understanding of various scientific concepts, which not everyone can find easy.

In conclusion, while one would not be able to live in this competitive world without academic knowledge, knowing how to cook is vital since it teaches youngsters how to maintain a healthy lifestyle.



## Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion. Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - Nowadays, choosing a field of study is seen as a crucial step, and some people feel that students should understand the science of food and how to prepare it regardless of the field they pick.

**A thesis statement** - In the following paragraphs, I shall put forth both sides of the argument.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** Advantages of knowing cooking

#### Supporting points:

- Since many people are moving away from their families, fundamental skills such as cooking and cleaning are increasingly important.
- It might assist students in leading better lifestyles via food and nutrition instruction, and it could help them improve their mental and physical health through specially designed diets.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Academic learning over science of food

#### Supporting points:

- Food science as a subject does not have much scope in the market.
- Moreover, it requires understanding various scientific concepts, which not everyone can find easy.

### Conclusion

Concluded that knowing how to cook is vital since it teaches youngsters how to maintain a healthy lifestyle.



## Essay 67

Some feel that the effects of advertising are positive for individuals and businesses, while others think they are negative. Discuss both sides and give your own opinion.

### Sample Answer

It is commonly believed that advertisements help to educate people about current and upcoming trends. But some people believe that it has a detrimental influence on people's decisions by generating an undesired need. Advertisements, in my opinion, aid in raising awareness of numerous competitive items on the market. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall discuss both views and give reasons for my opinion.

On the one hand, people nowadays feel that advertising negatively influences their wants and desires. Some argue that advertisements are deceptive because they make people assume total control over their decisions. They instill a false sense of urgency in people's thoughts to acquire items just because they are on sale or only accessible for a limited time. Additionally, advertisements are dishonest and misleading. The vast majority of affirmations are overstated and serve to encourage consumerism.

On the other hand, advertising exists because a corporation wants to sell a product and wants others to know about it. Advertisements can provide a wealth of information. They aid in raising awareness of various items and special deals associated with them. Information accessibility may also assist customers in making informed decisions and selecting items that best fit their needs. Advertisements have a high level of persuasion and value, and they help both the customer and the firm. For example, if someone sees an advertisement for a BMW automobile and wants to buy one, but their budget won't enable them to do so, an advertisement can assist them in making informed decisions about the cars they can afford.

Overall, advertisements can influence individuals and their choices, which can have a pernicious impact on people's needs. But it is also true that it helps in making intelligent choices.



## Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion. Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - It is commonly believed that advertisements help to educate people about current and upcoming trends. But, some people believe that it has a detrimental influence on people's decisions by generating an undesired need.

**A thesis statement** - In the following paragraphs, I shall put forth both sides of the argument.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** 'Effects of advertisement'

#### Supporting points:

- Advertisements instill a false sense of urgency in people's thoughts to acquire items just because they are on sale or only accessible for a limited time.
- Ads are dishonest and misleading. The vast majority of statements are overstated and serve to encourage consumerism.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Advertisements help to make informed decision

#### Supporting points:

- Advertisements can provide a wealth of information. They aid in raising awareness of various items and unique deals associated with them.

### Conclusion

Advertisements have the ability to influence individuals and their choices, which can have a pernicious impact on people's needs. But it is also true that it helps in making intelligent choices.



## Essay 68

Some people believe that the experiences children have before they go to school will have the greatest effect on their future life. Others argue that experiences gained when they are teenagers have a bigger influence. Discuss both views and give your opinions.

### Sample Answer

A lot of researchers have claimed that the early childhood years are far more formative and important than later. In my opinion, it makes sense to claim that adolescence shapes the future in a better way. In the next few paragraphs, I will be highlighting my point of view.

Those who are supporting the idea of preschool years can easily highlight the effect of early experiences on the neurological development of a child. Psychologists believe that the majority of personality development takes place in the first 2 years of life. This comes from the relationship that children develop with their parents, the unconditional love that they are exposed to or any neglect or abuse they get to experience in a household with a negative environment. As the child continues to mature and become aware of the surroundings, they begin replicating the ideas, actions and thoughts of the parents. By the time a child reaches kindergarten, most of their social and personal identity is, apparently, fixed.

Despite the valid arguments detailed above, I believe the teenage years are when children really start understanding the demands of others against their own personal desires. The key life events that take place in the teenage years include an increase in academic pressure, social relationships, increased responsibility at home, and the biological changes of puberty. These are the foundation of finding one's place in the world and establishing expectations from friends, family, school and society. Some teenagers find a balance early and succeed, while others struggle for long periods that may last into adulthood. On the whole, these experiences outweigh the ones a child experiences in the toddler years.

In conclusion, though the childhood years are developmentally important, nothing is the better predictor of the future than the issues that must be resolved as teenagers. Therefore, it is important that teenagers get enough space to grow and chances to express themselves better.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion. Choose a side. State your opinion on it.



### Introduction:

**Question Paraphrased** - A lot of researchers have claimed that the early childhood years are far more formative and important than later.

**Opinion** - In my opinion, it makes sense to claim that adolescence shapes the future in a better way.

**A thesis statement** - In the next few paragraphs, I will be highlighting my point of view.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Central Idea:** Impact of early experiences on neurodevelopment

#### Supporting points:

- A majority of personality formation is in the first 2 years of life
- Relationship that children develop with their parents
- As the child matures, starts imitating the parents
- By the time a child reaches kindergarten, the social and personal identity is fixed

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central Idea:** In teenager years, children truly navigate the demands of others against their own personal desires

#### Supporting points:

- Key life events taking place in the teenage years
- Foundation of finding one's place in the world
- Some teenagers find a balance early and succeed
- Others struggle for long periods

### Conclusion:

Reiterated that though the childhood years are developmentally important, nothing is a better predictor of the future than the issues that must be resolved as teenagers and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 69

Some think scientists should be allowed to send messages into space to communicate with other life forms while others believe this is too dangerous. Discuss both sides and give your own opinions.

### Sample Answer

Many are of the belief that contacting possible alien life is a desirable goal, while others are wary of the potential dangers. In my opinion, though this satisfies basic human curiosity, the risk is too high than the benefits. In the upcoming paragraphs, I will be highlighting my point of view.

The reason behind trying to communicate with other life forms is to figure out more about the universe. Both scientists and normal people want to comprehend whether another life form exists or not. This is the level of curiosity that is compelling people to find out more about the looks, behaviour and every other possible aspect of aliens. Humans have been including aliens in books and movies for ages. And now, they feel that every attempt to bring this imagination to life is warranted. In case the extraterrestrials are discovered, not only would it satisfy the desire but may also help humanity figure out their own origin, place in the universe and a lot of answers to fundamental existential questions.

However, curiosity alone is not enough to condone even the smallest chance of the danger inherent in alien contact. According to a handful of people, aliens may be equipped with advanced insights and technology to be shared with humans. However, the possibilities of this are too minor to take the risk. The likelihood of an alien life form turning against humanity like a scene from a science fiction film are infinitesimally small, but the consequences are too great to ignore. In the event that aliens were found and hostile to humanity, it could pose a serious problem in the worst-case scenario threatening the survival of the human race. This far-fetched but disastrous downside logically dictates the more sensible approach of continuing to develop human technology and wait until the distant future to venture to locate alien life.

In conclusion, the self-interested pursuit of other life forms has too much potential for species-threatening danger to be advisable. Instead, governments should concentrate on maximizing resources for more advanced technology.



## Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion. Choose a side. State your opinion on it.

### Introduction:

**Question Paraphrased** - Many are of the belief that contacting possible alien life is a desirable goal, while others are wary of the potential dangers.

**Opinion** - In my opinion, though this satisfies basic human curiosity, the risk is too high than the benefits.

**A thesis statement** - In the upcoming paragraphs, I will be highlighting my point of view.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Central Idea:** Reason behind trying to communicate with other life forms

#### Supporting points:

- Figuring out more about the universe
- Comprehending whether another life form exists
- Figuring out the origin and place of humanity in the universe

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central Idea:** Curiosity is not enough to take the chance

#### Supporting points:

- Dangers in the alien contact
- Consequences of the alien life form turning against humanity
- Threatening the survival of the human race

### Conclusion:

Reiterated that the self-interested pursuit of other life forms has too much potential for species-threatening danger to be advisable and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 70

Some people think that the government should ban dangerous sports, but others think that people should have the freedom to do whatever sport activities they choose. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

### Sample Answer

Nowadays, dangerous sports such as bull riding, paragliding, scuba diving, etc are gaining popularity. Some people believe the government should ban such dangerous sports. Whereas, others believe that individual choices of people should not be compromised. However, in my opinion, people should be allowed to get themselves involved in whatever sports they like, as long as they are aware of the negative consequences. In the following paragraphs, I shall discuss both the views and explain why freedom of choice is important in community.

Games like paragliding, scuba diving, bull riding, and bungee jumping are highly dangerous. Getting involved in such sports can cause severe injuries, and sometimes death. Some people believe that the government should ban these activities because they think life is far more valuable than these short-lived enjoyments. They also argue that it is necessary to ban these activities to keep a check on the individuals' safety. Moreover, if a ban is imposed, it will stop people from being involved in these activities. People get involved in these sports for pleasure and excitement without getting educated about the negative consequences. Rather it is important for people to be aware of the dangers that exist in extreme sports. The great number of people who get involved in such activities are youngsters, and a ban will undoubtedly limit their involvement in such dangerous sports.

However, others believe that the government should not violate freedom of choice. Some people are exceptionally well at performing these activities, such as paragliding and scuba diving. Because of this talent, they get to perform in events like the Olympics. Moreover, it is not right to exert control over the rights of individuals. If people are well informed and educated about the negative consequences and still choose to involve themselves in these sports, the government should not impose a ban on them. A ban will also decrease individuals' participation rate in events like the Olympics, and their talents will go waste. Given adequate training under expert surveillance, one can practice any game, no matter how dangerous it is.

In conclusion, although these sports are extremely dangerous, I believe that the government should not restrict people's choice to get involved in these sports through the ban.



## Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion. Choose a side. State your opinion on it.

### Introduction:

**Question Paraphrased** - Nowadays, dangerous sports such as bull riding, paragliding, scuba diving, etc are gaining popularity. Some people believe the government should ban such dangerous sports. Whereas, others believe that individual choices of people should not be compromised.

**Opinion** - However, in my opinion, people should be allowed to get themselves involved in whatever sports they like, as long as they are aware of the negative consequences.

**A thesis statement** - In the following paragraphs, I shall discuss both the views and explain why freedom of choice is important in community.

### Body Paragraph 1:

**Central idea:** Dangerous sports - Necessity of a ban

#### Supporting points:

- Causes extremely serious injury
- Government can keep a check on safety of individuals
- Value of human life
- Less awareness of the negative consequences

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Dangerous sports - Importance of freedom of choice

#### Supporting points:

- Freedom of choice
- Talented individuals
- Ban will reduce the participation rate
- Well educated about the negative consequences

### Conclusion:

Reiterated the importance of freedom of choice and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 71

Some people think that young people should follow the traditions of their society and others think young people should be free to behave as individuals. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

### Sample Answer

It is believed by certain individuals that youngsters should follow the traditions of their community. However, others argue that youngsters should behave according to their free will. I believe that individuals should follow their freewill instead of forcefully following the traditions. In the following paragraphs, I will discuss both the views.

On the one hand, each nation has its own set of traditional values and customs. The traditional values and principles of nations or culture help them bind their people together. The individuals who believe that youngsters should follow the traditions of their community do so because traditions help younger generations connect with their ancestors through traditional values. For example, the tradition of greeting elders with folded hands and saying "namaste" in a country like India helps youngsters to get connected with elders through traditional values. Above all, it helps a nation to maintain a collective identity.

On the other hand, the younger generation should not be forced to follow traditional values as each individual has the right to live according to their own choices. Today because of technology and advancement, individuals are getting more familiar with the term modernization. However, modernization does not mean abandoning the values of their traditions altogether. Instead, it means adopting new habits and needs that people did not know earlier. Therefore, it is necessary to give freedom to young individuals so that they can make better choices.

To sum up, people must teach traditional values to the young generation, but they should not be forcefully imposed on them.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion.

Choose a side. State your opinion on it.

### Introduction:



**Question Paraphrased** - It is believed by certain individuals that youngsters should follow the traditions. However, others argue that youngsters should behave according to their free will.

**Opinion** - I believe that individuals should follow their freewill instead of forcefully following the traditions.

**A thesis statement** - In the following paragraphs, I will discuss both the views.

**Body Paragraph 1:**

**Central idea:** Importance of traditional values

**Supporting points:**

- Ancestral connection
- Traditional values and principles
- Collective identity

**Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** Importance of free will

**Supporting points:**

- Freedom of choice
- modernisation
- Adapting to new changes

**Conclusion:**

Supported the side taken in introduction, by reiterating that traditional values should be taught to all the individuals but the practice of following it should not be forcefully imposed.



## Essay 72

Some people think governments should spend money on measures to save languages with few speakers from dying out completely. Others think this is a waste of financial resources. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

### Sample Answer

There is a rising concern that the government should invest more money to preserve the minority languages. Some people favour it, whereas others think that it's a waste of financial resources. I firmly believe that the government should invest more money to preserve minority languages. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall examine both sides and explain why the government should maintain the importance of minority language.

On the one hand, saving the language of minorities is essential as this is the only way to preserve its importance. Moreover, language plays a crucial role in forming the nation's distinct identity by contributing to its customs and traditions. Also, language helps the younger generation to connect with their ancestors. Language holds significant historical importance. Whenever the investigation of a nation's origin occurs, the documents or the manuscripts will be found written in local languages. Many scholars are ready to dig up such valuable manuscripts and documents. Furthermore, by preserving local languages' value, literary works such as poems or local short stories will become more valuable.

On the other hand, those who are not in favour of the government investing more money in local languages' preservation believe that these languages have already lost their importance. Other widely spoken languages such as French, English, and Spanish are more commonly used to convey ideas and thoughts. Therefore, it is not worth investing more money in the language that is not used. Moreover, the government already runs on a limited budget and should allocate the budget in other critical sectors.

To conclude, it is true that certain languages are not much in use. But the government should allocate a budget to preserve these languages to maintain the country's identity.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion.

Choose a side. State your opinion on it.

### Introduction:



**Question Paraphrased** - Many people have shown concern over whether the government should invest more money to preserve the minority language. Some people favour it, whereas others believe that it's a waste of financial resources.

**Opinion** - I firmly believe that the government should invest more money to preserve minority languages.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraph, I shall examine both sides of the statement and explain why the government should preserve the importance of minority languages.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Central idea: For preservation of minority language**

#### **Supporting points:**

- Maintains distinct identity
- Holds cultural significance
- Historical significance
- Improves communication within communities

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea: Against preservation of minority language**

#### **Supporting points:**

- Limited budget
- Allocating funds to more crucial sectors
- Limited speakers

### **Conclusion:**

Reiterated the importance preserving minority languages and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 73

Directors of large organizations earn much higher salaries than ordinary employees do. Some people think it is necessary, but others hold that it is unfair. Discuss both views and give your own opinions.

### Sample Answer

There is an enormous gap between the income of standard employees and directors of the companies. Some people think that senior ranking employees deserve their extortionate incomes, while others oppose it. However, in my opinion, high pay of senior ranking employees is justified. In the following paragraphs, I shall discuss both the views and explain why senior ranking employees deserve high income.

On the one hand, few people strongly oppose senior executives who get paid more incomes. They feel that the work performed by standard employees is more essential than the work performed by senior employees. Standard employees are more devoted to their work and perform technical roles in the company. Whereas, senior-level employees are hardly aware of the operations. For example, in software industries, software developers are the main people who design and develop software, not senior executives since they don't know how to create software. Therefore, they believe that high income should be given to those who perform technical duties in the company.

On the other hand, others believe that senior executives deserve high income because of their high educational background, skills and responsibilities. Moreover, these senior executives are responsible for the company's growth and are expected to take drastic decisions. They even argue that senior executives are responsible for the company's overall performance and make sure that everything runs smoothly. If they do not organise everything, it will affect everyone working under them. Thus, the amount of mental stress they take needs to be appropriately rewarded.

To sum up, it is indeed true that employees of all posts put equal energy and dedication to their jobs but senior employees get more income than standard employees because their experience is significantly high.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion. Choose a side. State your opinion on it.

**Introduction:**

**Question Paraphrased** - There is an enormous amount of gap between the income of standard employees and directors of the companies. Some people think that senior ranking employees deserve their extortionate incomes, while others oppose it.

**Opinion** - However, in my opinion, high pay of senior ranking employees is justified.

**A thesis statement** - In the following paragraphs, I shall discuss both the views and explain why senior ranking employees deserve high income.

**Body Paragraph 1:**

**Central idea:** High Salary for standard employees

**Supporting points:**

- Perform technical roles
- Possess in-depth knowledge of the operations

**Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** High Salary for senior employees

**Supporting points:**

- High educational background
- Responsible for overall growth of the company
- Expected to take drastic decisions
- Mental stress

**Conclusion:**

Reiterated that high pay of senior ranking employees is justified because they are more experienced and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 74

Some people think sports are important for society, while others believe they should be taken as leisure activities. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

### Sample Answer

The existence of sports dates back to 2000 BC. Every country had practised it in some way like gymnastics, javelin, fishing, swimming, etc. It is more organised and structured now. Some people think sports and games are vital for society, whereas others believe they should be treated only as a pastime. I think that sports and games should occupy an important place in society. In the following paragraphs, I shall discuss both the ideas and explain which is beneficial for society.

Sport dissolves barriers and binds people together. For example, in a cricket team, there are players from all the states of India, and fans from across India cheer for them. So a feeling of one-ness builds up. A cricket match between India and Australia may be scheduled in Chennai, and a fan from Australia may visit Chennai to watch the game. This way, sports improve the tourism sector and contribute to the economy.

Research shows that sport has a positive impact on people. People who play sports such as football or tennis improve their cardiovascular system and are at less risk of conditions like blood pressure. So it helps in maintaining good health. Also, a person learns how not to get demotivated during failures. So it helps manage stress effectively.

On the flip side, sports has become one of many businesses to make money. So players are under tremendous pressure to win and resort to drugs to get the extra energy. This ruins their health and brings down the image of the nation they represent. Under severe compulsion to win, they treat their opponent as an enemy (Eg: boxing), and sometimes the referee has to penalise a player for harming the other. These may be the reason people argue that sports have to be practised only as a leisure activity and not taken seriously.

To recapitulate, sports helps a great deal in creating an ideal society and should be given utmost importance. But we should also be careful not to make it a business.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion.

Choose a side. State your opinion on it.



**Introduction (Question Paraphrased):** The existence of sports dates back to 2000 BC. Every country had practised it in some way like gymnastics, javelin, fishing, swimming, etc. It is more organised and structured now. Some people think sports and games are vital for society, whereas others believe they should be treated only as a pastime.

**Opinion** - I think that sports and games should occupy an important place in society.

**A thesis statement** - In the following paragraphs, I shall discuss both the ideas and explain which is beneficial for society.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Topic:** Why sports are important for society?

#### **Supporting points:**

- Acts a binding force
- Improves tourism
- Contributes to economic development
- Reduces the risk of diseases
- Teaches stress management

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Topic:** Why should sports be taken only as leisure activity?

#### **Supporting points:**

- Professional sports has become a business
- Players are pressured to win
- Players resort to drugs and ruin their health
- In a game, they treat each other as enemies

### **Conclusion:**

Reiterated that sports is important for creating an ideal society and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 75

Some people believe that mobile phone conversations should be banned in crowded and social places. Others disagree. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

### Sample Answer

Following the cell phone revolution, almost every Tom, Dick, and Harry owns a mobile phone. It has reshaped the way we communicate and has occupied an indispensable part of our lives. But some people think that we should avoid using mobile phones in public places. Others feel that it is much ado about nothing. I agree with the former view. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall discuss both ideas and explain which is beneficial to society.

Primarily, cell phones are devices that emit electromagnetic radiation. According to the traffic laws, these devices could cause an explosion of fire in petrol bunks if not switched off. Secondly, they are chief sources of distraction. There have been many accidents reported due to talking over mobile phones while driving. If used by doctors or nurses in hospitals, it may cost the patient's life. In public places like libraries, cell phone tunes disturb the people reading books. In places of religious worship, people talking over cell phones in loud voices are a hindrance to people praying sincerely. People who talk or listen to music on cell phones while walking on roads are more prone to accidents.

On the other hand, defendants of mobile phone use in public places argue that mobile phones are the best way to convey an emergency message. For instance, an ailing mother could contact her son, driving a car and asking him to admit her to a hospital. In tourist spots, smartphones come handy to capture pictures and videos. Moreover, they have electronic mailing facilities, which are helpful in many ways. For example, an office-goer who is on his way to the office and suddenly gets a message that his wife is admitted into the hospital can email his boss about his leave.

To recapitulate, there are both merits and demerits in using cell phones in public places. Though cell phones are useful in conveying information, there are an increasing number of road accidents reported due to the use of cell phones in public areas. So it is without a doubt that they should be banned in public places.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion.



Choose a side. State your opinion on it.

**Introduction:**

**Question Paraphrased** - Following the cell phone revolution, almost every Tom, Dick, and Harry owns a mobile phone. It has reshaped the way we communicate and has occupied an indispensable part of our lives. But some people think that we should avoid using mobile phones in public places. Others feel that it is much ado about nothing.

**Opinion** - I agree with the former view.

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall discuss both ideas and explain which is beneficial to society.

**Body Paragraph 1:**

**Topic:** Why is it harmful to use cell phones in public places?

**Supporting points:**

- Causes fire explosion in petrol bunks
- Talking while driving causes accidents
- Use in hospitals may cost the patient's life
- Talking over phone while walking on the road causes accidents

**Body Paragraph 2:**

**Topic:** Merits of cell phones

**Supporting points:**

- Useful in conveying emergency information
- Comes handy in capturing images
- Has emailing features which are useful

**Conclusion:**

Reiterated the dangers of using cell phones in public places and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 76

Human activities have negative effects on plant and animal species. Some people think it is too late to do anything about this problem. Others believe that effective measures can be taken to improve this situation. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

### Sample Answer

Industrialisation and deforestation carried out by humans have destroyed the biodiversity. Some exotic species of wild animals and plants are diminishing, declining or disappearing. Many ecosystems are disturbed. All these are a threat to human survival as well. Some think that the damage cannot be undone while others believe that some measures could be taken to improve the present situation. I firmly believe that the situation could be improved. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall examine both sides and also explain how things can be ameliorated.

History cites many examples of extinct species. According to a survey, 3 to 5 billion passenger pigeons or wild pigeons were in the US before European settlement. But just after this, due to habitat loss and demand for pigeon meat, these birds became extinct in the early 20th century.

*Acalypha dikuluwensis*, a plant species native to Congo, became extinct due to copper extraction activities in the area. The freshwater crayfish, which lost its habitat due to water being drained by local farmers, became extinct. The Bermuda hawk became extinct due to hunting.

Some people think that we have lost these exotic species and will never see them again.

On the other hand, it is true that we can still work towards preserving the environment. Firstly, governments should impose strict rules against deforestation, illegal felling of trees, and ban hunting. Proper water governance must be in place to preserve the freshwaters and marine ecosystems. Eco-friendly agricultural practices must be followed, which lay emphasis on the conservation of the variety of species. There have been successful examples of preserving animals that were on the verge of extinction. The 'Bengal Tiger' is a classic example.

To summarise, human activities have indeed damaged the animal and plant species. But we can still work towards preserving the rest of the species.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion.



Choose a side. State your opinion on it.

**Introduction:**

**Question Paraphrased** - Industrialisation and deforestation carried out by humans have destroyed the biodiversity. Some exotic species of wild animals and plants are diminishing, declining or disappearing. Many ecosystems are disturbed. All these are a threat to human survival as well. Some think that the damage cannot be undone while others believe that some measures could be taken to improve the present situation.

**Opinion** - I firmly believe that the situation could be improved

**A thesis statement** - In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall examine both sides and also explain how things can be ameliorated.

**Body Paragraph 1:**

**Topic:** Human activities that led to extinction of species

**Supporting points:**

- Urbanisation and selling pigeon meat
- Copper extraction activities
- Draining freshwater resources
- Hunting

**Body Paragraph 2:**

**Topic:** Preventive measures that can be taken for conservation

**Supporting points:**

- Stopping deforestation
- Banning hunting activities
- Strict laws against illegal felling of trees
- Proper water governance
- Eco friendly agricultural practices



**Conclusion:**

Reiterating that situation could be improved and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 77

Some people think it is more beneficial to take part in sports which are played in teams, like football, while other people think that taking part in individual sports is better like tennis and swimming. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

### Sample Answer

Team sports such as football, basketball, rugby, and individual sports such as tennis, chess, and swimming are equally popular. Each sport has its advantages. In fact, some people play football and tennis. However, in my opinion, team sports have an edge over their individual counterpart. In the following paragraphs, I shall discuss both sides and explain which is beneficial for the community in the long run.

Team sports help develop the overall personality. Given a chance between exhibiting heroism and the team's victory, one has to sacrifice the former for the latter. For example, in cricket, a batsman has to give priority to the team's achievement over gaining individual scores. It also teaches the joy of togetherness and nurtures leadership skills. It also helps a person improve his relationship with others and develop communication skills, which are essential for survival. Above all, playing as a team is fun.

On the other hand, individual sports have their own merits. A person is solely responsible for success or failure. So, there is an increased sense of ownership. One has to concentrate more on the activity because any small distraction will lead to failure. All the more, one has to depend on his skills for success. So, he/she learns to work hard to improve their skills. There is also unlimited freedom when playing individual sports. The choices are wholly made by the player, and there are no cases of disagreements with others. The player is the captain, as well as the team member.

In conclusion, both sides have their merits and demerits. Though individual sports allow a person to be the complete owner of his success, I think team sports are the need of the hour. Team sports impart essential life skills like teamwork and sacrifice, which mould an individual into a better citizen of the world.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion.

Choose a side. State your opinion on it.

#### Introduction:



**Question Paraphrased** - Team sports such as football, basketball, rugby and individual sports such as tennis, chess, and swimming are equally popular. Each sport has its advantages.

**Opinion** - However, in my opinion, team sports have an edge over their individual counterpart.

**A thesis statement** - In the following paragraphs, I shall discuss both sides and explain which is beneficial for the community in the long run.

**Body Paragraph 1:**

**Topic:** Team sports

**Supporting points:**

- Overall personality development
- Builds sacrificial tendencies
- Improves relationships
- Improves leadership skills and communication

**Body Paragraph 2:**

**Topic:** Individual sports

**Supporting points:**

- Sole ownership of success
- Improves concentration
- Makes the person work hard
- Gives freedom of choice

**Conclusion:**

Reiterated the importance of team sports and supported the side taken in introduction.



## Essay 78

Some people think that music plays an important role in society, others think it's just a form of entertainment. Discuss both the sides and give your opinion.

### Sample Answer

Music is a unique language which is understood by everyone on this planet. It is the soul of the universe. There are different views on the importance of music. Some say it is purely for entertainment. Others opine that it has many other functions. In the following paragraphs, I shall put forth both sides of the argument.

There is no doubt that music is a good source of entertainment. Music helps to cheer everyone up. When people come home after a hectic day's work and they need some entertainment, they play music and it calms them and they feel relaxed. Music is also played in parties and ceremonies to entertain everyone. Young people dance to the beat of the music and release their pent-up energy.

Music also links us to our culture and tradition. Folk songs are sung by our great artists like Gurdas Mann is heard everywhere. His lyrics represent a significant part of our culture which is alive today because of these folk songs. Otherwise, under the influence of western culture people forget their roots. Moreover, music is a lucrative profession these days. Our famous singers and musicians like Lata Mangeshkar and A.R.Rehman have earned millions from music and are famous around the world because of their musical talent.

To put it in a nutshell, Music is not just for entertainment. It has many roles in society such as connecting people to their culture, making them

rich and famous and also for relaxation. Music is all around us. Right from the first lullaby that the mother sings to the cradle, to the dirge of the funeral pyre, music accompanies us.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion. Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

#### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - There are different views on the importance of music. Some say it is purely for entertainment. Others opine that it has many other functions.

**A thesis statement** - In the following paragraphs, I shall put forth both sides of the argument.

**Body Paragraph 1**

**Central idea:** 'Music is a good source of entertainment'

**Supporting points:**

- Music helps to cheer everyone up. When people come home after a hectic day's work and they need some entertainment, they play music and it calms them and they feel relaxed.
- Music is also played in parties and ceremonies to entertain everyone. Young people dance to the beat of the music and release their pent-up energy.

**Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** Music also links us to our culture and tradition.

**Supporting points:**

- Folk songs sung by our great artists like Gurdas Mann is heard everywhere. His lyrics represent a significant part of our culture which is alive today because of these folk songs. Otherwise, under the influence of western culture people forget their roots.

**Conclusion**

Music is not just for entertainment. It has many roles in society such as connecting people to their culture, making them rich and famous and also for relaxation.



## Essay 79

Some people say that history has little or nothing to offer, while others say that the study of the past helps the present. Discuss both the view and give your opinion.

### Sample Answer

People have different opinions about the importance of learning history. Some of them feel it is completely a waste of time, while others think that it is absolutely necessary to know about the past events that took place in our world. In my opinion, though it takes a lot of time to learn history it gives us not only an insight into our culture and tradition but also a sense of identity.

History refers to all the things that happened in the past, especially the social, political, or economic development of a nation. Literally, everything, including a nation, a city, a town, a subject, a business, and even a product, has its unique history. Some individuals are of the opinion that studying the past history is useless today but others believe it is very essential to know history to better understand the present.

Undoubtedly, the present is the continuation of the past. Therefore, studying the past history can enable us to better understand what is going on around us. For example, if we are equipped with relevant knowledge of history, it will be easier for us to understand the evolution of mankind. It would also tell us how we progressed and reached where we are today. We would also know how technology developed step by step. History can serve us as a guide because of which we would not repeat the mistakes done in the previous years. We also get inspiration from the great men of the past through history.

In conclusion, studying the past history can not only deepen and widen our knowledge but also help us develop the power of analysis. Thus, we are able to look at what is happening at present from a historical perspective and better understanding.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion.

Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - People have different opinions about the importance of learning history. Some of them feel it is completely a waste of time, while others think that it is absolutely necessary to know about the past events that took place in our world.



**A thesis statement** – In my opinion, though it takes a lot of time to learn history it gives us not only an insight into our culture and tradition but also a sense of identity.

### **Body Paragraph 1**

**Central idea:** ‘History reveals the past for us’

#### **Supporting points:**

- History refers to all the things that happened in the past, especially the social, political, or economic development of a nation.
- Literally, everything, including a nation, a city, a town, a subject, a business, and even a product, has its unique history. Some individuals are of the opinion that studying the past history is useless today but others believe it is very essential to know history to better understand the present.

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** Present is the continuation of the past.

#### **Supporting points:**

- Studying the past history can enable us to better understand what is going on around us.

#### **Example:**

- If we are equipped with relevant knowledge of history, it will be easier for us to understand the evolution of mankind. It would also tell us how we progressed and reached where we are today.

#### **Conclusion:**

Studying past history can not only deepen and widen our knowledge but also help us develop the power of analysis.



## Essay 80

Some people believe that money is the best gift for teenagers while others disagree. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

### Sample Answer

Nowadays giving presents is very common. The main concern about giving a present to the youngsters is that people get confused about whether to give cash as a present or anything which they are fond of. Some people agree that giving cash as a present will be useful, while others disagree with this fact. In my opinion, giving cash as a present to teenagers, instead of giving them things which they might not like at the end is better.

On one hand, people think that the teenagers who receive cash as their gift will be excited and happy because they are able to fulfil their immediate needs and also, they will get an idea of how to manage their finances in the future. Also, the person who wants to give something as a present might be in a dilemma as to what exactly to gift them because modern teenagers will be in need of trendy things.

On the other hand, people think that instead of giving cash to them as a present, they can fund them for schooling purposes or getting them any useful things related to education. Also, people may think that students are not mature enough to spend the money and they probably might spend their money on buying some unwanted things.

According to me, I think that giving cash to teenagers instead of giving them things which they might not like is better. If you end up buying something not useful for teenagers, they might just throw it away or keep it unused for a very long time. Alternatively, if you give them cash, they might buy something that they need.

In conclusion, we can say that giving money to the teenagers is better than giving them things. Because ultimately it depends on their happiness. They will buy the things which will make them happy. And it will be also helpful for them to choose the kind of things they actually want.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion.

Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.



## Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - Nowadays giving presents is very common. The main concern about giving a present to the youngsters is that people get confused about whether to give cash as a present or anything which they are fond of. Some people agree that giving cash as a present will be useful, while others disagree with this fact.

**A thesis statement** - In my opinion, giving cash as a present to teenagers, instead of giving them things which they might not like at the end is better.

## Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** 'Teenagers should receive cash as gifts.'

### Supporting points:

- People think that the teenagers who receive cash as their gift will be excited and happy because they are able to fulfil their immediate needs and also, they will get an idea of how to manage their finances in the future.
- People may think that students are not mature enough to spend the money and they probably might spend their money on buying some unwanted things.

## Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** People giving gifts and not cash.

### Supporting points:

- People think that instead of giving cash to them as a present, they can fund them for schooling purposes or getting them any useful things related to education.
- People may think that students are not mature enough to spend the money and they probably might spend their money on buying some unwanted things.

## Body paragraph 3

This should be your opinion paragraph.



- I think that giving cash to teenagers instead of giving them things which they might not like is better. If you end up buying something not useful for teenagers, they might just throw it away or keep it unused for a very long time.
- Alternatively, if you give them cash, they might buy something that they need.

### **Conclusion**

We can say that giving money to the teenagers is better than giving them things. Because ultimately it depends on their happiness. They will buy the things which will make them happy. And it will be also helpful for them to choose the kind of things they actually want.



## Essay 81

In some countries, a few people earn extremely high salaries. Some people think that this is good for a country, while others believe that the government should control salaries and limit the amount people can earn. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

### Sample Answer

In many countries, there is a huge income difference among people. This is because some people are earning high salaries. At the same time, there are many more who are struggling to meet their needs. Some people, therefore, argue that the government should control salaries. I do not agree with this view. In my opinion, this difference in salary is good for the economy because it encourages people to work harder.

If there is a limit to what people can earn, most of them will lose the motivation to work harder. The reason that encourages people to work harder and harder is their urge to earn higher salaries. Therefore, if the government controls the salaries, it will hurt the morale of employees. Also, having a small number of people who earn too much is not necessarily a bad thing. They act as an inspiration for the poor. These super-wealthy people can also start enterprises that create jobs and improve the living standards of the poor people.

Of course, income disparity is not a good thing. It makes the poor feel inadequate. But at the same time, it encourages many of them to work harder and earn more. As human beings, we have a natural tendency to want more. We get inspired by the affluent lifestyle of the rich and want to be like them. This human desire to improve their living standards is the factor that drives all economies. The government can certainly do something to lessen the difference in the salaries. For example, it can impose higher taxes on rich people. It can also launch welfare schemes for the poor. By offering free education and health care for people living below the poverty line, the government can put them in a position to work and earn.

In conclusion, controlling salaries is not the solution to overcome the income difference. Instead, the government should empower the poor people. Help and encourage them to earn a good salary by offering them free education and training.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion.

Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.



## Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - In many countries, there is a huge income difference among people. This is because some people are earning high salaries. At the same time, there are many more who are struggling to meet their needs.

**A thesis statement** - I do not agree with this view. In my opinion, this difference in salary is good for the economy because it encourages people to work harder.

## Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** 'Motivation to work harder'

### Supporting points:

- The reason that encourages people to work harder and harder is their urge to earn higher salaries. Therefore, if the government controls the salaries, it will hurt the morale of employees.

## Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Income disparity is not a good thing

### Supporting points:

- It makes the poor feel inadequate. But at the same time, it encourages many of them to work harder and earn more.

## Conclusion

Controlling salaries is not the solution to overcome the income difference. Instead, the government should empower the poor people. Help and encourage them to earn a good salary by offering them free education and training.



## Essay 82

Does the educational success of a student depend on the teacher or the attitude?  
Discuss both sides and give an opinion.

### Sample Answer

Teaching is considered as a very noble profession because teachers play a huge role in everybody's life. To which, it is believed by some people that the effectiveness of study depends on the quality of teaching while others believe that it is the perspective of students that matter the most. In my opinion, neither of them alone is efficient, it requires equal and active involvement from both student and teacher to justify the quality of education and educational success.

To begin with, a good teacher always has a great impact on their students. As a student, people learn very important things about life from their teachers, not only the syllabus but also about the attitude towards life. Moreover, a better teacher has the power to plant seeds of curiosity, which is one of the crucial attributes that build the eagerness to learn something new and set the course of their lives. For example, IITs and IIMs are widely popular because of its world-class professors. But if teachers are not at teaching, it will affect children so deeply that they lose interest in those subjects for the lifetime. Thus, the importance of a standard teacher is crystal clear.

However, the perception of the receiver is equally important for educational success. It does not matter how effective and good a teacher is if their students do not have an intention to learn or study, the teaching will be useless. Also, attentive and smart students can make up for poor quality teachers by self-study without any supervision, which is very essential for success in the future. Hence, the willingness to study is also very important for a better learning experience.

In conclusion, some believe the academic achievements depend on the teacher while others believe it depends on the child's willingness and attitude. From my point of view I believe both quality teacher and student's attitudes towards education are equally important and therefore active and positive participation is the key to successful education rather than blaming anyone alone.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion.



Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - It is believed by some people that the effectiveness of study depends on the quality of teaching while others believe that it is the perspective of students that matter the most.

**A thesis statement** - In my opinion, neither of them alone is efficient, it requires equal and active involvement from both student and teacher to justify the quality of education and educational success.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** 'The impact of a great teacher.'

#### Supporting points:

- As a student, people learn very important things about life from their teachers, not only the syllabus but also about the attitude towards life.
- But if teachers are not at teaching, it will affect children so deeply that they lose interest in those subjects for the lifetime.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Perception of a receiver.

#### Supporting points:

- It does not matter how effective and good a teacher is if their students do not have an intention to learn or study, the teaching will be useless.
- Attentive and smart students can make up for poor quality teachers by self-study without any supervision, which is very essential for success in the future.

### Conclusion

Some believe the academic achievements depend on the teacher while others believe it depends on the child's willingness and attitude, from my point of view I believe both quality teacher and student's attitudes towards education are equally important and therefore active and positive participation is the key to successful education rather than blaming anyone alone.



## Essay 83

Some people think the best way to stay fit is to join the gym/health club, while others think doing everyday activities such as walking and climbing stairs is sufficient. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

### Sample Answer

Some people have an opinion that to stay fit, it is necessary to join a gym/health club. Others insist that doing everyday activities and going for a walk or jog should be enough. In my opinion, it depends on the fitness goals of that particular person. If staying healthy and having a reasonably attractive frame is the goal, leading a physically active lifestyle is enough. However, hitting the gym is required if a person wants to stay healthy and also attain a perfect body with abs.

On the one hand, a person's decision to join the fitness centre depends on their fitness goals. These days, a lot of people are very conscious of their body. They get inspired by models, actors and athletes and want to have perfect bodies like their favourite celebrities. It is not possible to achieve this without joining a gymnasium and making adequate changes to their lifestyle and dietary habits. The perfect body with zero fat is not a natural phenomenon and it is not possible to achieve it by doing everyday activities alone.

On the other hand, if a person only wants to stay healthy and eliminate excess body fat, they do not have to work out every day. Walking to the bus stop, taking the stairs of the office and doing errands on foot will burn the excess calories and help them stay in shape. A lot of people have physically demanding jobs. For example, door to door salesmen has to do a lot of walking. Likewise, some jobs involve the lifting of weights. People who engage in such jobs are unlikely to have to do anything extra to achieve fitness.

In conclusion, joining a fitness studio is not mandatory for everyone who wants to be healthy. However, if they require to achieve body transformation, intense workouts and proper supervision are necessary and they should join a gym.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion.

Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.



## Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - Some people have an opinion that to stay fit, it is necessary to join a gym/health club. Others insist that doing everyday activities and going for a walk or jog should be enough.

**A thesis statement** - In my opinion, it depends on the fitness goals of that particular person.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** 'These days, a lot of people are very conscious of their body.'

#### Supporting points:

- They get inspired by models, actors and athletes and want to have perfect bodies like their favourite celebrities. It is not possible to achieve this without joining a gymnasium and making adequate changes to their lifestyle and dietary habits.
- The perfect body with zero fat is not a natural phenomenon and it is not possible to achieve it by doing everyday activities alone.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** If a person only wants to stay healthy and eliminate excess body fat, they do not have to work out every day.

#### Supporting points:

- Walking to the bus stop, taking the stairs of the office and doing errands on foot will burn the excess calories and help them stay in shape.
- A lot of people have physically demanding jobs.

## Conclusion

Joining a fitness studio is not mandatory for everyone who wants to be healthy. However, if they require to achieve body transformation, intense workouts and proper supervision are necessary and they should join a gym.



## Essay 84

Discipline is an ever-increasing problem in modern schools. Some people think that discipline should be the responsibility of teachers, while others think that this is the role of parents. Discuss both sides and give your opinion.

### Sample Answer

Discipline is important for the all-round development of children, however, nowadays many students seem to lack it. According to some people, parents are responsible for inculcating the value of discipline in their children, others insist that it is the duty of teachers. I agree with the former view.

Different schools have different subjects depending on the child's age and each subject is taught by a specific teacher. It is highly unlikely that each teacher teaches the same standards of discipline to all pupils across all grades. Each child is different and has to be moulded depending on the child's behaviour. To illustrate further, the school near my house has 40 students in one class. The teacher often finds it very difficult to control the class and teach the lesson within the allotted time. The teacher is more concerned about explaining the lesson and completing the course and gives less attention to those who misbehave in their class.

Furthermore, parents observe their kid very closely since their birth. They tend to spend a lot of time with their children during their free time at home. Since they interact more with their child, they have an opportunity to teach them discipline and mend their behaviour. Children often try to imitate their parents and learn behavioural skills from them. For example, Children wake up early in the morning and get ready for school as their parents get ready for their offices. This behaviour is not taught by the parents rather it was something he learned from his own observation.

To conclude this essay, teachers in this modern era find it extremely difficult to discipline all the children and mend their ways within the allotted time. It is the responsibility of the parents to discipline their child and show them what is right and wrong.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion.

Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction



**Question Paraphrased** - Discipline is important for the all-round development of children, however, nowadays many students seem to lack it. According to some people, parents are responsible for inculcating the value of discipline in their children, others insist that it is the duty of teachers.

**A thesis statement** - I agree with the former view.

### **Body Paragraph 1**

**Central idea:** 'Teachers are concerned about finishing the lesson.'

#### **Supporting points:**

- Different schools have different subjects depending on the child's age and each subject is taught by a specific teacher. It is highly unlikely that each teacher teaches the same standards of discipline to all pupils across all grades.
- Each child is different and has to be moulded depending on the child's behaviour.

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** Children learn from their parents.

#### **Supporting points:**

- They tend to spend a lot of time with their children during their free time at home. Since they interact more with their child, they have an opportunity to teach them discipline and mend their behaviour.
- Children often try to imitate their parents and learn behavioural skills from them.

### **Conclusion**

Teachers in this modern era find it extremely difficult to discipline all the children and mend their ways within the allotted time. It is the responsibility of the parents to discipline their child and show them what is right and wrong.



## Essay 85

Some people think that formal education should start for children as early as possible. While others think that it should not start until 7 years of age. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

### Sample Answer

Some people have the opinion that the ideal time for children to begin their formal education is as soon as possible, others believe that it should not start until they are 7 years old. I believe that it is better to not start until they have at least reached the age of 7.

Those who believe in beginning formal education for children early have their reasons. Firstly, they believe that the earlier the children start to learn, smarter they will be. This is because they will have a head-start over those children who start late. Another reason is that children will learn to be independent, motivated and competitive as they aim to get the best scores and to complete their homework on their own.

Even after these arguments, I believe starting at age 7 is the right choice. This is because overburdening them with study and trying to beat others in the competitive environment simply leads to stress. This is not a good thing for very young children, who should be encouraged to enjoy their lives and make friends. Also, parents should focus on play-based activities at home, which will help them both learn and play and develop cognitive abilities more effectively. For example, in countries such as Sweden and Finland children start formal education later and they have shown better results than many other countries. And this is clear evidence of its benefits.

I think that children should not start school until the age of 7 because they can learn more through play-based activities than formal education. Formal education at an early age simply leads to stress and does not help children achieve higher grades long-term as it builds up pressure.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion.

Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction



**Question Paraphrased** -Some people have the opinion that the ideal time for children to begin their formal education is as soon as possible, others believe that it should not start until they are 7 years old.

**A thesis statement** - I believe that it is better to not start until they have at least reached the age of 7.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** 'Reasons to begin formal education early.'

#### Supporting points:

- They believe that the earlier the children start to learn; smarter they will be. This is because they will have a head-start over those children who start late.
- Children will learn to be independent, motivated and competitive as they aim to get the best scores and to complete their homework on their own.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Reasons to start formal education late.

#### Supporting points:

- This is because over-burdening them with study and trying to beat others in the competitive environment simply leads to stress. This is not a good thing for very young children, who should be encouraged to enjoy their lives and make friends.
- Parents should focus on play-based activities at home, which will help them both learn and play and develop cognitive abilities more effectively.

### Conclusion

I think that children should not start school until the age of 7 because they can learn more through play-based activities than formal education. Formal education at an early age simply leads to stress and does not help children achieve higher grades long-term as it builds up pressure.



## Essay 86

Some people argue that it is best to accept a bad situation, such as an unsatisfactory job or shortage of money. Others believe that it is better to try and improve such situations. Discuss both the view and give your opinion.

### Sample Answer

Every person has different ways to deal with a bad situation. Some people believe it is best to accept bad situations such as an unsatisfactory job or shortage of money but some attempt to work hard and overcome the situation. In this essay, we will be discussing both the sides, but I personally believe that it is important to work hard to overcome any bad situation.

Some people often try to find satisfaction in their bad situations, be it a financially unstable situation or an unsatisfactory job, they try to make peace with it due to the fear of making things worse if they try to take any risks. This is mainly because some individuals do not have any other option other than to survive in these conditions.

However, some people show a more positive side and try to improve any bad situation. This positive attitude towards life is called optimism and these kinds of people who portray a positive attitude are called as optimists. There's a popular quote that says "if life gives you lemons, make lemonade out of it."

I agree completely with this view and in my opinion, irrespective of the challenges faced, it is more important to try improving situations. Life in itself is dynamic and will always provide better opportunities when people continue to strive, refuse to give up and most importantly, never give up. In conclusion, it is important to maintain a positive mindset in difficult times is the key to achieving success in life.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion.

Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

#### Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - Every person has different ways to deal with a bad situation. Some people believe it is best to accept bad situations such as an unsatisfactory job or shortage of money but some attempt to work hard and overcome the situation.



**A thesis statement** - In this essay, we will be discussing both the sides, but I personally believe that it is important to work hard to overcome any bad situation.

### **Body Paragraph 1**

**Central idea:** 'Making peace with bad situations.'

#### **Supporting points:**

- Some people often try to find satisfaction in their bad situations, be it a financially unstable situation or an unsatisfactory job, they try to make peace with it due to the fear of making things worse if they try to take any risks. This is mainly because some individuals do not have any other option other than to survive in these conditions.

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** Optimism and overcoming other challenges.

#### **Supporting points:**

- However, some people show a more positive side and try to improve any bad situation. This positive attitude towards life is called optimism and these kinds of people who portray a positive attitude are called as optimists. There's a popular quote that says "if life gives you lemons, make lemonade out of it."

### **Conclusion**

I agree completely with this view and in my opinion, irrespective of the challenges faced, it is more important to try improving situations. Life in itself is dynamic and will always provide better opportunities when people continue to strive, refuse to give up and most importantly, never give up. In conclusion, it is important to maintain a positive mindset in difficult times is the key to achieving success in life.



## Essay 87

Some people believe anyone can make art (paint, music, poetry) while others believe people with specific ability can. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

### Sample Answer

One of the highly controversial issues today is whether some people are genetically equipped with what it takes to be a gifted person, such as a skilled musician or athlete, or that is it possible to acquire such a gift through the conventional methods of learning and challenging work.

On one side of the argument, some people opine that if a person is born with an inherent talent, they need not put in much effort to exhibit one's skills. The main reason behind this belief is that many famous actors, musicians, dancers and sportspeople have shown remarkable achievements from an early age. Take, for example, legendary Bollywood singer Lata Mangeshkar, her god gifted voice led her to become the most successful and celebrated playback singer. Moreover, she belonged to a musical family, so singing was in her genes, which was enhanced further by expert classical training. Thus, it seems realistic and fair to support this notion.

On the other hand, it is also possible to make the opposing case. It is often argued that innate talents and hard-work are not mutually exclusive. People often have this opinion because under appropriate circumstances and good preparations, people can acquire skills that enable them to excel in a profession or talent such as music or sport. Nowadays, modern behavioral science and research can analyze the criteria and the factors that lead to success. A particularly good example here is the national women boxer Mary Kom, who won world championship multiple times and has set a record by achieving excellent results by motivation and training. Thus, their viewpoint is credible and realistic.

In conclusion, although with hard work and dedication one can acquire any talent, I am also inclined to believe that both an inherent talent and expert training are the best combinations to achieve admirable results.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion.

Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction



**Question Paraphrased** -One of the highly controversial issues today is whether some people are genetically equipped with what it takes to be a gifted person, such as a skilled musician or athlete, or that is it possible to acquire such a gift through the conventional methods of learning and challenging work.

### **Body Paragraph 1**

**Central idea:** 'People with inborn talents have the ability to practice art.'

#### **Supporting points:**

- The main reason behind this belief is that many famous actors, musicians, dancers and sportspeople have shown remarkable achievements from an early age.

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** Anyone can make art if they work hard.

#### **Supporting points:**

- People often have this opinion because under appropriate circumstances and good preparations, people can acquire skills that enable them to excel in a profession or talent such as music or sport.
- Nowadays, modern behavioural science and research can analyze the criteria and the factors that lead to success.

### **Conclusion**

Although with hard work and dedication one can acquire any talent, I am also inclined to believe that both an inherent talent and expert training are the best combinations to achieve admirable results.



## Essay 88

In some countries, people encourage students to find part-time jobs while some people don't. Discuss both sides and give your opinion.

### Sample Answer

In recent years, students have taken up a lot of part time jobs. A lot of countries offer part-time jobs to students. Some people support students taking up part time jobs while others don't. There are both advantages and disadvantages to doing part time jobs. In my opinion, I believe it has more advantages than disadvantages.

On one hand, Part-time job provides exposure to students and helps them understand how real jobs work. Also, it provides students with work experience which in turn adds value to their resume and puts them a step ahead in the rat-race we're all running in. A part-time job teaches you how to manage time and provides you with an opportunity to do something productive in your spare time. It also helps you earn extra pocket money which can be used for your future studies or investment plans. A part-time job also teaches students how to manage their own expenses and be independent. It also helps them build their career-network which will be helpful in the long run.

On the other hand, the downside of this would be that students who take up part-time jobs might fall out of school, result in absenteeism or not be involved in school activities. Students who work and study are more likely to be stressful, this might affect their grades and performance in their studies such as not having enough time to complete their homework or assignments.

Though there are pros and cons to students taking up part-time jobs, I think that the pros outweigh the cons. I believe that part-time jobs teach a lot of skills to the students and help them become more independent and financially stable.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion.

Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### Introduction



**Question Paraphrased** - A lot of countries offer part-time jobs to students. Some people support students taking up part time jobs while others don't. There are both advantages and disadvantages to doing part time jobs.

**A thesis statement** - In my opinion, I believe it has more advantages than disadvantages.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** 'Benefits of part time job.'

#### Supporting points:

- Part-time job provides exposure to students and helps them understand how real jobs work. Also, it provides students with work experience which in turn adds value to their resume and puts them a step ahead in the rat-race we're all running in.
- A part-time job teaches you how to manage time and provides you with an opportunity to do something productive in your spare time. It also helps you earn extra pocket money which can be used for your future studies or investment plans.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** 'Disadvantages of a part-time job.'

#### Supporting points:

- The downside of this would be that students who take up part-time jobs might fall out of school, result in absenteeism or not be involved in school activities.
- Students who work and study are more likely to be stressful, this might affect their grades and performance in their studies such as not having enough time to complete their homework or assignments.

### Conclusion

Though there are pros and cons to students taking up part-time jobs, I think that the pros outweigh the cons. I believe that part-time jobs teach a lot of skills to the students and help them become more independent and financially stable.



## Essay 89

Limited money should be spent on computer equipment or good teachers. Discuss both views and state your opinion.

### Sample Answer

Technology has become an integral part of our lives just like education. Computer equipment has become very common in our schools as it's essential to be aware of the latest technologies. This, in turn, brings us to the big question, so do we spend more on computer equipment or good teachers? In my opinion, money shouldn't be spent much on computer education.

On the one hand, a good teacher is the most important aspect of quality education. A teacher trains you with all the skills required to become someone you aspire to be. Everyone who became a doctor, an engineer or even an entrepreneur had a teacher to guide them throughout their life. But there aren't a lot of teachers today because they are underpaid. Like every other employee, fair pay motivates them to do their job with utmost satisfaction and sincerity. Not paying them enough wages or not investing in them might be a considerable loss not only to the students but to the whole education system.

On the other hand, computers are beginning to play a major role in our education system. We might be able to access every information that teachers do provide us with, without any teachers at all. A good amount of money should be spent on computers too as they're the future of the education system. Once a student steps out of school, everything that he/she accesses is related to technology. Moreover, computers being used in the classroom can also create a new atmosphere for students rather than the mundane classroom. These might result in students being interested to come to schools.

Computers do have their own advantages, but a teacher is the one who teaches you how to use a computer. So, it is very important to invest in a good teacher, as a teacher shares their knowledge and builds a strong foundation for students. Computers have their own perks but we can use limited resources or limited money on computer equipment and invest more in quality education and a good teacher.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a discussion essay for which you had to give an opinion.

Once you are clear about your opinion, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.



## Introduction

**Question Paraphrased** - Technology has become an integral part of our lives just like education. Computer equipment has become very common in our schools as it's essential to be aware of the latest technologies.

**A thesis statement** - In my opinion, money shouldn't be spent much on computer education.

## Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** 'A good teacher is the most important aspect of quality education.'

### Supporting points:

- A teacher trains you with all the skills required to become someone you aspire to be. Everyone who became a doctor, an engineer or even an entrepreneur had a teacher to guide them throughout their life.
- But there aren't a lot of teachers today because they are underpaid. Like every other employee, fair pay motivates them to do their job with utmost satisfaction and sincerity. Not paying them enough wages or not investing in them might be a considerable loss not only to the students but to the whole education system.

## Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** 'Computers are beginning to play a major role in our education system.'

### Supporting points:

- We might be able to access every information that teachers do provide us with, without any teachers at all. A good amount of money should be spent on computers too as they're the future of the education system.
- Once a student steps out of school, everything that he/she accesses is related to technology. Moreover, computers being used in the classroom can also create a new atmosphere for students rather than the mundane classroom. These might result in students being interested to come to schools.

## Conclusion

So, it is very important to invest in a good teacher, as a teacher shares their knowledge and builds a strong foundation for students. Computers have their own perks but we can use limited



resources or limited money on computer equipment and invest more in quality education and a good teacher.



## Advantages / Disadvantages Essay

### General Structure

#### Instructions to follow

- If you are given an advantages/disadvantages essay and you have to decide whether the advantages outweigh the disadvantages, you have to list the advantages and disadvantages and decide which outweighs the other.
- Once you are clear about the advantages and disadvantages, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

#### Introduction

- Your introduction paragraph should paraphrase your question. Use synonyms for the words used in the question.

#### Body Paragraph 1

- It should contain the advantages along with the supporting details. A real-life example would help you score better.

#### Body Paragraph 2

- It should contain the disadvantages along with the supporting details. A real-life example would help you score better.

#### Conclusion

Paraphrase your question along with an emphasis on your opinion



## Essay 90

It is now possible for scientists and tourists to travel to remote natural environments, such as the South Pole. Do the advantages of this development outweigh disadvantages?

### Sample Answer

People can now go to isolated natural regions because of advancements in technology. However, in my perspective, it has more drawbacks because it may be harmful and costly for the majority of the population. In the forthcoming sentences, I will discuss the advantages and disadvantages of the issue and explain why I believe in the latter.

There are certain benefits to exploring remote natural areas. To begin with, this is a newer and more fascinating kind of transportation. For people who are bored of visiting other cities or nations, the South Pole could be a thrilling alternative. This provides them with priceless experiences and lasting memories. Secondly, when individuals, particularly scientists, travel to isolated regions, they may better understand the natural environment.

However, I believe the most significant downside is that travelling to isolated nature regions might be dangerous if travellers are not adequately equipped. The other danger of going to an isolated natural environment is encountering wild animals. The temperature in the South Pole, for example, is often relatively low, which has a negative impact on people's health. Travel expenditures are also costly since accessing remote locations necessitates a significant investment in research. Additionally, the safety of visitors is a bigger concern since there is a lack of environmental awareness amongst people. As a result, it appears that only scientists and the wealthy can finance this activity.

To summarise, while seeing fascinating new places may entice some people, I feel the drawbacks of people being able to go to remote areas outweigh the benefits since it is not only costly, but it also puts people's lives in jeopardy.



## Structure of the essay

You are asked to write an advantages/disadvantages essay. This precisely means that you have to explain the advantages and disadvantages.

Remember to jot down all the points (advantages & disadvantages) before you begin the essay.

**Introduction:** People can now go to isolated natural regions because of advancements in technology. However, in my perspective, it has more drawbacks because it may be harmful and costly for the majority of the population.

### Body Paragraph 1:

#### Advantages:

- New technology and transportation system
- Priceless experience and lasting memories
- Improves understanding of natural environment

### Body Paragraph 2:

#### Disadvantages:

- Needs well-developed equipment's
- Possibility of encountering wild animals
- Extreme weather conditions
- Travel expenditures are also costly
- Lack of environmental awareness amongst people

### Conclusion:

Summarised the advantages and disadvantages.



## Essay 91

In many workplaces, online communication is now more common than face-to-face meetings. Do the advantages of this trend outweigh the disadvantages?

### Sample Answer

In the modernized era, workplaces have started preferring online communication rather than choosing face-to-face meetings. I think this trend is far more advantageous than anything opposite.

To begin with, online communication is beneficial as it consumes far less time and effort than the conventional method of physical meetings. For instance, if an employee has an urgent meeting to attend, choosing to hold it online will evade the issues arising from being stuck in the traffic jams and entering the office premise later than the set time for the meeting. Or, the need for appearing presentable as per the basic dressing ethics demanded by the organization. Rather, this additional time can be used to excel in their meetings and other skills. Furthermore, online communications are much more feasible, convenient and comfortable. To cite another example, during the times of covid-19, the work from home technology has proved out to be worth it.

However, there are certain demerits that are associated with online communications. With online services, one requires stable electricity and data connection. Thus, failure of any one thing can lead to disruptions during essential talks, resulting in the wastage of time. At the same time, cybercrime is pertaining to computer technology; hence, susceptible to unwanted attacks by hackers and intruders.

In conclusion, I reiterate that technological advancements can be extremely beneficial in the communication aspect. It saves time and also helps in less expenditure, given that one has a stable connection and everything is secured from hackers.

### Structure of the essay

You are asked to write an advantages/disadvantages essay. This precisely means that you have to explain the advantages and disadvantages.

Remember to jot down all the points (advantages & disadvantages) before you begin the essay.



**Introduction:** In the modernized era, workplaces have started preferring online communication rather than choosing face-to-face meetings. I think this trend is far more advantageous than anything opposite.

**Body Paragraph 1:**

**Advantages:**

- Consumes less time and efforts
- Extra time can be used to excel in meetings and other skills
- Feasible, convenient and comfortable

**Body Paragraph 2:**

**Disadvantages:**

- Needs stable electricity and data connection
- Failure can lead to disruptions during important conversations
- Cybercrime is pertaining to computer technology

**Conclusion:**

Summarised the advantages and disadvantages.



## Essay 92

In many countries, plastic containers have become more common than ever and are used by many food and drink companies. Do you think the advantages outweigh the disadvantages?

### Sample Answer

These days, the use of plastic containers is becoming increasingly common and is even promoted by food and drink companies. Moreover, organizations across the globe have been using plastic for both storage and transportation purposes as well. Although many people are against this notion, I opine that the merits of companies using plastic containers evidently outweigh the demerits.

Those who have been arguing against it suggest that it can create environmental pollution. Once used, consumers merely throw away plastic containers, which are consumed by stray and wildlife animals later. Moreover, plastics also consume a massive amount of time to get decomposed, leading to a pile of garbage. However, if the root cause of this issue is evaluated, consumers will turn out to be the major culprit. Post consumption, customers should understand the adequate use of plastic. For instance, Coca Cola has urged the customers to return the cans to the shops and earn a reward.

On the other hand, the use of plastic containers can be extremely economical for food and drink companies. In other words, plastic weighs less in comparison to other manufacturing and storage material. Thus, it helps decrease the final production cost. Furthermore, a decrease in the transportation cost also becomes feasible as the containers consume less space, which helps in transporting a huge number of final products in the local market.

In conclusion, for companies and organizations, plastic containers are extremely economical, despite damaging the environment. However, the fact that companies are trying to make their customers aware of plastic handling and its repercussions is a good step. Thus, the advantages of plastic use by companies obviously outweigh the drawbacks.

### Structure of the essay

You are asked to write an advantages/disadvantages essay. This precisely means that you have to explain the advantages and disadvantages.



Remember to jot down all the points (advantages & disadvantages) before you begin the essay.

**Introduction:** These days, the use of plastic containers is becoming increasingly common and is even promoted by food and drink companies. I opine that the merits of companies using plastic containers evidently outweigh the demerits.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

#### **Disadvantages:**

- Creates environmental pollution
- Plastic containers are consumed by stray and wildlife animals
- Plastic takes time to get decomposed

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

#### **Advantages:**

- Economical for food and drink companies
- Plastic weigh less than other materials
- Decreases the final production cost

#### **Conclusion:**

Summarised the advantages and disadvantages.



## Essay 93

In the past, most people worked for small businesses, while more people now work for large businesses. What are the advantages and disadvantages of working for large businesses?

### Sample Answer

Thanks to capitalism, more and more business conglomerates are replacing small businesses. Accordingly, the number of people employed by these big businesses is increasing exponentially. This essay will discuss both sides to this issue.

There are many advantages to working in large companies. Firstly, jobs in these companies are relatively steady. Since the big companies have an established position compared to any small business, they do not go through high attrition cycles unless a catastrophe occurs. For example, when the COVID-19 pandemic struck the world, many small businesses were completely shut, but big businesses were able to weather the storm with little difficulty. Another advantage of working for large organizations is that they offer competitively higher salaries and other benefits. For instance, an employee of the Hilton Corporation can benefit from subsidized medical benefits and can also take advantage of employee-only pricing. Large conglomerates also provide their employees with an opportunity to travel and work in their branches in different parts of the world. Thus, working for such large companies is preferred by many people.

It also comes with some demerits. It is observed that people working for big companies have lower job satisfaction. This is because they are entrusted with fewer responsibilities, and it is not possible to grow beyond the specific department one is working in. For example, in an IT company, an employee has to perform the same jobs day after day, and the prospects of growth are limited. One more disadvantage of working for big companies is that life can be quite stressful. Due to the high level of competition among the big companies, their employees' clock in longer working hours. In small businesses, however, people often contribute to diverse fields and do not have to cope with high levels of stress.

In conclusion, the current trend of big companies replacing traditional local businesses is progressively increasing. As we discussed in the essay, there are some obvious benefits to this change, but it certainly comes with some disadvantages.



## Structure of the essay

You are asked to write an advantages/disadvantages essay. This precisely means that you have to explain the advantages and disadvantages.

Remember to jot down all the points (advantages & disadvantages) before you begin the essay.

**Introduction:** Thanks to capitalism, more and more business conglomerates are replacing small businesses. Accordingly, the number of people employed by these big businesses is increasing exponentially. This essay will discuss both sides to this issue.

### Body Paragraph 1:

#### Advantages:

- Jobs in large companies are steady
- Big companies don't go through high attrition cycles unless a catastrophe occurs
- Competitively higher salaries and other benefits

### Body Paragraph 2:

#### Disadvantages:

- Lower job satisfaction
- Not possible to grow beyond a specific department
- Life can be quite stressful because of high competition.

### Conclusion:

Summarised the advantages and disadvantages.



## Essay 94

In the past, knowledge was contained in books. Nowadays, knowledge is uploaded to the internet. Do the advantages of this outweigh the disadvantages?

### Sample Answer

Traditionally people used to refer to books to find information, data, and transcripts as they were preserved in papers, but with the recent technological advancements, books have been replaced by the internet. This essay will discuss the advantages and disadvantages and will conclude with why I believe the latter is better.

There are many benefits of using the internet to contain knowledge. Firstly, the internet is a cost-effective option compared to books. Since the information is available in abundance and there is no issue of storage, unlike physical books, it does eliminate a huge cost. For example, the data uploaded on the internet only requires a cloud memory, which is limitless and hassle-free. Additionally, the internet is an easily accessible resource that is available from any part of the world. One does not have to travel to a specific library or store to access it. For these reasons, it is easy to believe that information stored on the internet is inexpensive, readily available and more effective as compared to books.

Some people believe that knowledge contained in books is less risky than the internet. With the progress in technology, there is always a fear of technical glitches or cyber-attacks. For instance, some terrorist groups can hire hackers to destroy or damage information that is valuable to a nation or to any group. Books, on the other hand, if stored in a safe location, can provide a better option in the long run. Therefore, it is a reasonable argument that storing the knowledge in books is beneficial.

In conclusion, it is an undeniable fact that the internet has revolutionized the way we do many things around us, including the storage of information. I strongly believe that despite minor challenges with cybersecurity, the benefits of the internet far outweigh the drawbacks.

### Structure of the essay

You are asked to write an advantages/disadvantages essay. This precisely means that you have to explain the advantages and disadvantages.

Remember to jot down all the points (advantages & disadvantages) before you begin the essay.



**Introduction:** Traditionally people used to refer to books to find information, data and transcripts as they were preserved in papers, but with the recent technological advancements, books have been replaced by the internet.

**Body Paragraph 1:**

**Advantages:**

- Cost-effective option compared to books
- No plan for maintenance
- Eliminates the cost of storage
- Internet is easily accessible

**Body Paragraph 2:**

**Disadvantages:**

- Fear of technical glitches or cyber-attacks

**Conclusion:**

Summarised the advantages and disadvantages.



## Essay 95

It is sometimes suggested that primary school children should learn how to grow vegetables and keep animals. Do you think that the advantages of this outweigh the disadvantages?

### Sample Answer

People sometimes make a suggestion that elementary school children ought to learn how to raise vegetables and nurture animals. This essay will examine how I believe it is beneficial to take care of it.

To begin with, young children can be positively influenced if they raise other lives. Generally, children can be diligent with a pet animal. Many doctors say raising a pet is good for the kid's attitude. They learn responsibilities while they feed and wash animals. In addition, kids can be neat and calm while they grow vegetables. Generally, kids play around and make a loud noise because it is their nature, but raising vegetables can help them change their attitude. Many studies show that children growing vegetables have a sincere and honest mind.

In a way, pets can be extremely hazardous to children. According to internet news, there was an accident in our society. A dog bit a kid until he was dead. The same incident happened to an adult. Moreover, people spend too much money to take care of animals. Some people who love animals are bankrupt because they raise many animals. The cost of treatment in a hospital is also very expensive. If there are vegetables and crops near a house, the individuals suffer from insects and offensive odour. Many people hate insects as if they were monsters.

In conclusion, raising animals has many advantages for children, while it can be horrible to other people. Therefore, parents must teach young children how to control and manage the pet. In addition, they should have responsibility for it. The government also regulates and legislates laws not to cause accidents by pets.

### Structure of the essay

You are asked to write an advantages/disadvantages essay. This precisely means that you have to explain the advantages and disadvantages.

Remember to jot down all the points (advantages & disadvantages) before you begin the essay.



**Introduction:** People sometimes make a suggestion that elementary school children ought to learn how to raise vegetables and nurture animals. This essay will examine the merits and drawbacks of taking care of it.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

#### **Advantages:**

- Children can be positively influenced if they raise other lives
- Children can be diligent with a pet animal
- Raising a pet and vegetables is good for the kid's attitude
- They learn responsibilities
- Children growing vegetables have a sincere and honest mind

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

#### **Disadvantages:**

- Pets can be hazardous to children
- People spend too much money to take care of animals
- The cost of treatment is expensive
- Having vegetables and crops near a house leads to insects and offensive odour.

#### **Conclusion:**

Summarised the advantages and disadvantages.



## Essay 96

The personal information of many individuals is held by large internet companies and organisations. Do you think the advantages of this outweigh the disadvantages?

### Sample Answer

In this modern era, several internet websites and social networking apps such as Facebook, Google, Flipkart, and Instagram are securing the confidential data of users during their sign up process. In my opinion, the benefits of this exercise outweigh its drawbacks. This essay will analyze both aspects in detail with relevant examples.

There are two major benefits of recording the personal information of the users. Firstly, this data is used to post a relevant advertisement on the web page for people. This is because, during the registration process, people often express their likes and dislikes. Therefore, these associations send customer-friendly ads, which help users to purchase their desired products or services. Secondly, these electronic media use customer data to make their services convenient and flexible. In other words, these enterprises consider customer interest and advice and develop a user-friendly website or application. For example, the latest press report by Google states that they use customer data to improve their services.

The drawbacks of this exercise could not be ignored. The major drawback is that sometimes this gained information is used in Election time to cash votes of the public. Most of the participating parties misuse this data to affect people's opinions. These parties develop their election manifesto on the basis of this public data which secure huge votes for them. For instance, in 2019, a famous newspaper "The Times of India" reported that a national party in India used the personal data of people to secure their votes. Therefore, there should be stringent laws so that confidential data of inhabitants would not be misused. Overall, I believe that the positives of this practice are far more than its negatives.

In conclusion, it has been observed that networking firms are using the personal facts of the populace. The benefits of this methodology are to provide customer-related advertisements and to improve their current services. However, the main side-effect is the misuse of users' data to cash the public vote during the election. Despite this negative, I firmly believe that the advantages of this exercise outweigh its disadvantages.



## Structure of the essay

You are asked to write an advantages/disadvantages essay. This precisely means that you have to explain the advantages and disadvantages.

Remember to jot down all the points (advantages & disadvantages) before you begin the essay.

**Introduction:** In this modern era, several internet websites and social networking apps such as Facebook, Google, Flipkart and Instagram are securing the confidential data of users during their sign up process.

### Body Paragraph 1:

#### Advantages:

- Data is used to post a relevant advertisement on the web page for people
- Associations and customer-friendly ads
- Make services convenient and flexible

### Body Paragraph 2:

#### Disadvantages:

- Information is used in elections to get votes
- Misuse of data to affect people's opinions

#### Conclusion:

Summarised the advantages and disadvantages.



## Essay 97

Some people think new homes need to be built with private outdoor space such as a garden, yard, or balcony. Do you think this is more advantageous or more disadvantageous?

### Sample Answer

Rapid urbanization has created a space crunch, and a majority of the people prefer to live in apartments. Although some people still prefer living in homes constructed with private outdoor spaces such as a terrace, yard or garden, and others don't. I feel that it is advantageous to have homes built with outdoor spaces, but it is undeniable that there are merits and demerits in both ways.

Primarily, there are some merits attached to having homes with outdoor spaces. A garden, balcony or yard means more private space where owners can simply plant various types of plants and vegetables. Moreover, outdoor spaces are therapeutic because nature helps to reduce the stress level. Also, the time spent in outdoor spaces helps to reduce depression and promotes a healthy lifestyle. Additionally, outdoor space can also be utilised for small gatherings and parties. It can also be utilised as extra space to store items such as cardboard boxes, gardening equipment, bikes and other tools.

However, others believe that having outdoor spaces in homes is a luxury, and a lot of people cannot afford it. Also, maintaining a private outdoor space can be a burdensome task. Moreover, the common man's budget is limited, and at times personal space could be quite expensive. There is also a disadvantage to terrace gardens, as it saturates rainwater. Other than that, birds can perch on the balcony and build their nest, making the balcony unhygienic.

To sum up, there are certainly both advantages and disadvantages of having a private outdoor space, but having outdoor space in homes is always an advantage over not having one.

### Structure of the essay

You are asked to write an advantages/disadvantages essay. This precisely means that you have to explain the advantages and disadvantages.

Remember to jot down all the points (advantages & disadvantages) before you begin the essay. Do not give your opinion.



**Introduction:** Rapid urbanization has led to insufficient spaces and thus the majority of the people are opting to live in apartments. Although some people still prefer living in homes constructed with private outdoor spaces such as terrace, yard or garden and others don't.

**Opinion** - I think it is necessary to have outdoor spaces.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

#### **Advantages:**

- Reduces stress
- Promotes healthy lifestyle
- Can be utilised for multiple purpose

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

#### **Disadvantages:**

- Expensive
- Requires high maintenance
- Birds can perch on the balcony and build their nest

#### **Conclusion:**

Summarised the advantages and disadvantages.



## Essay 98

Young people are often influenced by their peers. This is called peer group pressure. Do the advantages outweigh the disadvantages?

### Sample Answer

A peer group is a group of people of almost the same age, passions, tastes, and pursuits. Every man is a piece of the continent. Be it a kid or an older adult, everybody has peers, the former to play, and the latter to chew thoughts together. There is no one in the world who does not take advice and suggestions from others of his age. So, it is no wonder that young people are influenced by their peers. It is so common to want to think alike and follow the crowd. No one can resist peer pressure. It has both merits and demerits but is most often a positive element in one's life.

It is a general human tendency to imitate others. People can learn good things from their peers. For example, person A may not be interested in sports. But peers of his age may be interested in playing football. Slowly, person A will be inclined to play. In due course of time, person A may become one of the best players, and he may owe it to his peers. A first rank holder may influence a dull student at school. Eventually, the dull student may work hard to secure a good rank. School pupil leaders who are kind, soft-spoken, and honest will cast an impression on others. Peers are needed in one's life to share thoughts, get advice on important decisions, and for moral support.

As every rose has a thorn, peer pressure too has some disadvantages. The weak-minded capitulate to wrong peers and end up getting addicted to alcohol and other drugs. A bright student at school may perform poorly in studies due to the wrong peer group. They may be trapped in unwanted affairs due to negative peer pressure. Wrong peer groups are mostly established at adolescence. Young people are very receptive at that age. So care must be taken so that they don't fall prey to wrong peer pressure.

In conclusion, I firmly believe that peer pressure is unavoidable and positive in most cases. Parents must keep an eye on their children to avoid them from yielding to negative peer pressure.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an advantages/disadvantages essay and you have to decide whether the advantages outweigh the disadvantages.



Once you are clear about the advantages and disadvantages, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

**Introduction:** Your introduction paragraph should paraphrase your question. Use synonyms for the words used in the question.

**For example:** A peer group is a group of people of almost the same age, passions, tastes, and pursuits. Every man is a piece of the continent. Be it a kid or an older adult, everybody has peers, the former to play, and the latter to chew thoughts together. There is no one in the world who does not take advice and suggestions from others of his age. So it is no wonder that young people are influenced by their peers. It is so common to want to think alike and follow the crowd. No one can resist peer pressure. It has both merits and demerits but is most often a positive element in one's life.

### Body Paragraph 1

#### Advantages:

- May become interested in what others do.
- May become ambitious
- Influenced by good qualities of others
- Seek advice from others
- Look up to peers for moral support

#### Supporting examples:

- May start playing games
- A dull student may secure good marks
- School pupil leaders are imitated

### Body Paragraph 2

#### Disadvantages:

- May develop addiction to drugs
- May be trapped in unwanted affairs
- May perform poorly in studies

#### Conclusion:



Reiterated that advantages outweigh the disadvantages.

**For example:** In conclusion, I firmly believe that peer pressure is unavoidable and positive in most cases. Parents must keep an eye on their children to avoid them from yielding to negative peer pressure.



## Essay 99

In some countries, young people are encouraged to work or travel for a year between finishing high school and starting university studies. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages for young people who decide to do this.

### Sample Answer

There is a mixed opinion on whether countries should encourage young people to take up jobs or travel after finishing high school. Some think that is a mere waste of time and money, while others feel that the experience they gain from work or travel will help them fare better in the university. There are advantages and disadvantages involved in taking up job opportunities or travelling before attending the university.

Primarily, a school is a restricted environment. They concentrate on academics, sports, and certain extracurricular activities. A young person fresh out of school is innocent and has no practical knowledge of tackling real-life problems. They are spoon-fed in schools. The practical knowledge gained will help in a better understanding of the concepts taught in the university. For example, a student who works on mini projects in electronics will excel in his university study in Electronic Engineering. Moreover, the person develops communication skills and becomes a bit more knowledgeable of the world around him.

However, some people think that the break between high school and university education is unnecessary. The university will provide ample opportunities for internships, which will equip the person with the required practical knowledge. Some of them may lose interest in pursuing studies as they have started making money. There will be an unnecessary gap in education, which will be questioned in job interviews. If not justified properly, the person may end up losing an opportunity.

In summary, there are both benefits and drawbacks to taking up jobs after high school. Once they start earning, there is the risk of not joining the university at all. But if they enter the university right after high school, they may struggle out of lack of experience.

### Structure of the essay

You are asked to write an advantages/disadvantages essay. This precisely means that you have to explain the advantages and disadvantages.

Remember to jot down all the points (advantages & disadvantages) before you begin the essay. Do not give your opinion.



**Introduction:** There is a mixed opinion on whether countries should encourage young people to take up jobs or travel after finishing high school. Some think that is a mere waste of time and money, while others feel that the experience they gain from work or travel will help them fare better in the university.

**Opinion** - Not required

**Body Paragraph 1:**

**Advantages:**

- Gains experience on real-life problems
- Prior practical knowledge will help to excel in studies
- Develops communication skills

**Body Paragraph 2:**

**Disadvantages:**

- University itself provides internship opportunities
- Possibility of losing interest in pursuing university education
- Unnecessary gap in education

**Conclusion:**

Summarised the advantages and disadvantages.



## Essay 100

Demand for gas and oil is increasing and so finding new resources in remote and untouched areas is a necessity. Do the advantages of this outweigh its disadvantages?

### Sample Answer

The increasing demand for oil and gas has made it necessary to look for these sources of energy in remote and untouched natural places. Some people think the advantages of locating oil and gas in these places outweigh the disadvantages of damaging these places.

There are benefits to such a strategy. People wish to improve their living standards, particularly in developing countries, and fuels such as oil and gas contribute to it as they enable the running of cars and planes and machinery for the production of goods. All of these result in higher living standards, and thus we need to keep finding new sources as we will eventually run out.

However, despite this, there are major problems with exploiting fossil fuel in natural places. They could cause a great threat to ecology and the environment. For example, a serious oil spill accident happened in the Gulf of Mexico several years ago, resulting from a mishandled operation within the process of oil drilling. This accident caused a series of problems, such as mass fish deaths and ocean water pollution. Furthermore, extensive extraction of oil could lead to earthquake and ground sinking. All of these activities will ultimately lead to global warming and health issues; thus, we should no longer be seeking to use such forms of energy. It is evident that the use of these fuels on a large-scale has led to the pollution of many cities and resulted in poor health of its citizens. Therefore, we should be aiming to utilise more eco-friendly options such as solar energy and wind energy for power and electricity for cars.

In conclusion, although there is an advantage of finding new places to get oil and gas, the negative impacts outweigh this as we will damage our environments, as well as harm our health.

### Structure of the essay

You were given an advantages/disadvantages essay and you have to decide whether the advantages outweigh the disadvantages.



Once you are clear about the advantages and disadvantages, you can start planning your essay and then writing it.

### **Introduction**

Your introduction paragraph should paraphrase your question. Use synonyms for the words used in the question.

For example, The increasing demand for oil and gas has made it necessary to look for these sources of energy in remote and untouched natural places. Some people think the advantages of locating oil and gas in these places outweigh the disadvantages of damaging these places.

### **Body Paragraph 1**

Advantages

- People wish to improve their living standards, particularly in developing countries, and fuels such as oil and gas contribute to it as they enable the running of cars and planes and machinery for the production of goods

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

Disadvantages.

- They could cause a great threat to ecology and the environment.
  - Extensive extraction of oil could lead to earthquake and ground sinking. All of these activities will ultimately lead to global warming and health issues.

Example:

- A serious oil spill accident happened in the Gulf of Mexico several years ago, resulting from a mishandled operation within the process of oil drilling. This accident caused a series of problems, such as mass fish deaths and ocean water pollution.

### **Conclusion**

Although there is an advantage of finding new places to get oil and gas, the negative impacts outweigh this as we will damage our environments, as well as harm our health.



## Essay 101

Some of the local languages are becoming extinct. What are the advantages and disadvantages?

### Sample Answer

It is a fact that there are a lot of languages in this world, but every year several of the languages disappear. A group of people believe that the extinction of some languages is not a severe problem since communication will be more effective with fewer languages. Although some people think that the extinction of some languages is a serious problem, I do believe that the diversity of languages around the world has a lot of benefits for an individual and as a society as well.

First of all, the uncountable number of languages that have existed shows the uniqueness of world cultures. It is necessary to maintain the diversity of world languages since each of the languages represents the identity of a community or a tribe. Besides that, although some of the languages might only be spoken by a few people, it has an important function. Many of the traditional myths are written or documented in the minority languages, and if they die out, then the culture would not be known about.

However, it is undeniable that out of hundreds of languages that have existed, few languages become extinct every year. It is believed that the disappearance is due to globalisation of European and American countries, which have forced people to communicate in international languages such as English, German or French. Other people have an opinion that the extinction of the languages is not a serious threat to the world since most of the languages that die are minority languages which are not spoken by several people. Therefore, they would not make a significant impact on the world. Besides that, the usage of several international languages has made business interaction or diplomatic negotiation among nations or continents easier.

In conclusion, I disagree with the opinion that with only some languages in the world, life will be easier. I believe that the variety of languages shows the richness of the world civilisations and diversity in the culture and they should be passed to the next generation.



## Structure of the essay

You are asked to write an advantages/disadvantages essay. This precisely means that you have to explain the advantages and disadvantages.

Remember to jot down all the points (advantages & disadvantages) before you begin the essay. Have an opinion about it before you start writing.

### Introduction

It is a fact that there are a lot of languages in this world, but every year several of the languages disappear.

### Body Paragraph 1

Advantages.

- The uncountable number of languages that have existed shows the uniqueness of world cultures. It is necessary to maintain the diversity of world languages since each of the languages represents the identity of a community or a tribe.
- Many of the traditional myths are written or documented in the minority languages, and if they die out, then the culture would not be known about.

### Body Paragraph 2

Disadvantages.

- It is undeniable that out of hundreds of languages that have existed, few languages become extinct every year. It is believed that the disappearance is due to globalisation of European and American countries, which have forced people to communicate in international languages such as English, German or French
- Other people have an opinion that the extinction of the languages is not a serious threat to the world since most of the languages that die are minority languages which are not spoken by several people. Therefore, they would not make a significant impact on the world. Besides that, the usage of several international languages has made business interaction or diplomatic negotiation among nations or continents easier.

### Conclusion

I disagree with the opinion that with only some languages in the world, life will be easier. I believe that the variety of languages shows the richness of the world civilisations and diversity in the culture and they should be passed to the next generation.



## Essay 102

People are becoming famous with the help of TV programmes and the internet. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages.

### Sample Answer

Television and especially the internet have made it possible for an everyday person to become a celebrity much more easily compared to the past. However, this aspect has also led to a situation where a regular, innocent person can have their lives destroyed. Therefore, it seems that despite the positive aspects of this development, the negative effects are more obvious.

The ability to become popular through digital media leads to the opportunity to become rich and famous. In the past, this was controlled by film studio executives and record labels, but now a typical person can become a star by word of mouth. For example, many popular YouTube stars became famous and wealthy just by their fans sharing their content and then things started rising from there.

Although, the dark side to fame is that it can lead to putting your lives out in the public platform. For every example, a new star emerging from the internet or a TV talent show may have their lives ruined because of public scrutiny. Furthermore, this can arise when someone is completely innocent, in the case of online bullying, or even when someone seeks out attention, they might be ruthlessly mocked for trying to do something creative.

Overall, an increase in the ability for people to express themselves and their creativity is a desirable thing in general. However, in reality, the opportunity to become popular is also dangerous.

### Structure of the essay

You are asked an advantages/disadvantages essay. This precisely means that you have to explain the advantages and disadvantages.

Remember to jot down all the points (advantages & disadvantages) before you begin the essay. Have an opinion about it before you start writing.



## Introduction

Television and especially the internet have made it possible for an everyday person to become a celebrity much more easily compared to the past. However, this aspect has also led to a situation where a regular, innocent person can have their lives destroyed.

## Body Paragraph 1

Advantages.

- The ability to become popular through digital media leads to the opportunity to become rich and famous. In the past, this was controlled by film studio executives and record labels, but now a typical person can become a star by word of mouth.
- Example: many popular YouTube stars became famous and wealthy just by their fans sharing their content and then things started rising from there.

## Body Paragraph 2

Disadvantages.

- For every example, a new star emerging from the internet or a TV talent show may have their lives ruined because of public scrutiny.
- Furthermore, this can arise when someone is completely innocent, in the case of online bullying, or even when someone seeks out attention, they might be ruthlessly mocked for trying to do something creative.

## Conclusion

An increase in the ability for people to express themselves and their creativity is a desirable thing in general. However, in reality, the opportunity to become popular is also dangerous.



## Essay 103

Young people are leaving their homes from rural areas to study or work in the cities. What are the reasons? Do the advantages of this development outweigh its disadvantages?

### Sample Answer

Every year an increasing number of youths are leaving from rural areas to work or study in other cities. The out-migration from small towns and remote villages is increasing, in this case, young people's most productive years are being spent in cities instead of contributing to the developing countryside.

To begin with, living in the city possesses many positive impacts compared to rural life. The endless opportunities in cities push many youths to leave the rural areas. Firstly, children have access to education easily because cities have multiple colleges and universities that can provide them with quality education. Professionals also have access to infinite possibilities of amazing career opportunities with competitive salaries and benefits. Secondly, convenience is another important factor. In cities, one can get all the amenities of modern life and also, the standard of living in the city is higher. Transportation, for instance, cities have well-structured transport network systems that connect key areas. So, people can travel easily in a city because of multiple commute options such as buses, metro trains and cabs.

Turning to the other side of the argument, it is obvious that most cities are overcrowded and overpopulated. Traffic congestion is one of the major disadvantages of living in a city. The spike of vehicles on the road that causes jams and hassle-free travel is next to impossible. The growth in the number of vehicles used decreases the quality of life in cities. Due to the overpopulation lack of accommodation can also be a major problem which makes the cost of living expenses.

However, the negative effect of traffic problems cannot overshadow the amazing advantages such as countless options of entertainment, restaurants and the opportunity to explore international cuisine that make city living enjoyable.

To sum up, life in the city is generally better than in rural areas because of convenience and access to education. Although many youths appreciate the sense of community that exists in villages, yet, there is the issue of scarcity and lack of opportunity in the rural areas and the advantages far exceed the disadvantages.



## Structure of the essay

You are asked an advantages/disadvantages essay and told to outweigh the options. This precisely means that you have to give your opinion on the question after you explain the advantages and disadvantages.

Remember to jot down all the points (advantages & disadvantages) before you begin the essay. Have an opinion about it before you start writing.

### Introduction

Your introduction paragraph should paraphrase your question. Use synonyms for the words used in the question. The out-migration from small towns and remote villages is increasing, in this case, young people's most productive years are being spent in cities instead of contributing to the developing countryside.

### Body Paragraph 1

It should contain the advantages.

- The endless opportunities in cities push many youths to leave the rural areas. Firstly, children have access to education easily because cities have multiple colleges and universities that can provide them with quality education. Professionals also have access to infinite possibilities of amazing career opportunities with competitive salaries and benefits.
- Secondly, convenience is another important factor. In cities, one can get all the amenities of modern life and also, the standard of living in the city is higher. Transportation, for instance, cities have well-structured transport network systems that connect key areas. So, people can travel easily in a city because of multiple commute options such as buses, metro trains and cabs.

### Body Paragraph 2

It should contain the disadvantages.

- Traffic congestion is one of the major disadvantages of living in a city. The spike of vehicles on the road that causes jams and hasslefree travel is next to impossible.



- The growth in the number of vehicles used decreases the quality of life in cities. Due to the overpopulation lack of accommodation can also be a major problem which makes the cost of living expenses.

### Body Paragraph 3

This paragraph consists of your opinion on whether the advantages outweigh the disadvantages.

- However, the negative effect of traffic problems cannot overshadow the amazing advantages such as countless options of entertainment, restaurants and the opportunity to explore international cuisine that make city living enjoyable.

### Conclusion

To sum up, life in the city is generally better than in rural areas because of convenience and access to education. Although many youths appreciate the sense of community that exists in villages, yet, there is the issue of scarcity and lack of opportunity in the rural areas and the advantages far exceed the disadvantages.



## Cause / Solution Essay

### General Structure

#### Instructions to follow

- If you are given a cause/solution essay, you have to talk about the problems and the solutions.
- Once you are clear about the problems you are going to write about in your essay, you can start planning your essay and then write it.

A cause/solution essay should have:

- Introduction
- 2 Body Paragraphs & each paragraphs can contain:
  - ★ Either a problem solution paragraph
  - ★ Problems in one paragraph and solutions in the other
- Conclusion

#### Introduction

Your introduction paragraph should paraphrase your question. Use synonyms for the words used in the question.

#### Body Paragraph 1

- Problems
  - Real-life examples

#### Body Paragraph 2:

- Solutions
  - Real-life examples

#### Conclusion:

Your conclusion paragraph should paraphrase the question.



## Essay 104

Nowadays more and more older people who need employment have to compete with younger people for the same jobs. What problems does this cause? What are the solutions?

### Sample Answer

The rapidly growing world population has resulted in a slew of issues all across the globe. One of them is widespread unemployment as a result of a labour shortage. Moreover, elderly individuals compete with younger people for the same professions, which has created issues for both groups. In the following paragraphs, I will discuss these issues and provide potential solutions.

The primary issue resulting from this occurrence is that it is challenging for new graduates to find a job that will help them kick start their careers. Most job postings these days need a particular level of experience, which most recent graduates lack. Older individuals have more experience in their areas and can easily get such positions, leaving many young people unemployed and sad. An opening for a software engineer, for example, would require a minimum of 4 years of experience and would undoubtedly be filled by someone older searching for a better opportunity. In contrast, a young software engineer with little or less experience would be denied a decent position.

However, certain actions must be made to address unemployment and competition for a limited number of jobs. Businesses should provide job security for all employees, and companies should fire neither the older nor the younger employees without proper reasons. This will help to reduce the number of individuals looking for work. Also, new graduates should not be forced to compete for employment with experienced older workers. Instead, a large proportion of positions should be reserved for inexperienced young graduates so that they may quickly begin establishing their careers. Governments should also step-up efforts to rehire elderly individuals who have been laid off due to unforeseen circumstances, such as the covid epidemic. This will reduce competition for the same occupations between the younger and elderly generations.



To sum up, the growing number of older individuals vying for the same employment as younger people has resulted in unfavourable consequences for both the young and old. To address this issue, a variety of approaches can be used, including proper training and changes to recruitment practices.

## Structure of the essay

You were given a problem/solution question essay for which you had to talk about the problem and the solution to the problem.

Once you are clear about the problems you are going to write about in your essay, you can start planning your essay and then write it.

### Introduction

The rapidly growing world's population has resulted in a slew of issues all across the globe. One of them is widespread unemployment as a result of a labour shortage. Moreover, elderly individuals compete with younger people for the same professions, which has created issues for both groups.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Problems:** Problem caused due to age-diversified professionals applying for same job opportunities

#### Supporting points:

- Most job postings these days need a particular level of experience
- Openings are filled by someone older searching for a better opportunity
- Young employees are denied job offers because of lack of experience - problem

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Solutions:** Measures that can be taken to present such culture

#### Supporting points:

- Businesses should provide job security for all employees
- New graduates should not be forced to compete for employment with experienced older workers



- Governments should also step-up efforts to rehire elderly individuals who have been laid off due to unforeseen circumstances

### **Conclusion**

The growing number of older individuals vying for the same employment as younger people has resulted in unfavourable consequences for both the young and the old.



## Essay 105

Despite the benefits for health, fewer people today than ever before exercise by walking. Why is this? What can be done to encourage more walking?

### Sample Answer

Walking is a more efficient type of exercise and one of the most basic strategies to maintain and live a healthy lifestyle. Exercise not only aids in the development of a decent physique but also enhances the body's metabolism and blood circulation. However, it has lately been found that many have lessened or stopped it entirely rather than continuing this practice. In the following paragraphs, I'll go through the reasons for it and what may be done to prevent it.

For a number of reasons, people have curtailed their walking workouts. One of the main factors is the ease with which transportation is available. As a result, individuals have begun to rely on transportation to save time. Besides that, as the heat of the world is increasing and weather conditions are becoming hot and humid, people are avoiding exercise sessions in parks. In addition, the prevalence of crime on the streets has increased in recent years, making people feel unsafe to take an early morning stroll.

People should, however, be encouraged to walk more and informed of the benefits of doing so. People can overcome this problem by going for walks early in the morning or late in the afternoon when the temperature is cooler. In addition, to reduce the rate of crime in the areas, CCTV should be installed, and security guards should be employed. Governments could also expand the number of initiatives aimed at improving citizen security and start health-awareness campaigns.

To conclude, there are a number of reasons why individuals have halted walking workouts. Effective methods, on the other hand, can assist people in resuming walking.



## Structure of the essay

You were given a cause/solution question essay for which you had to talk about the problem and the solution to the problem.

Once you are clear about the causes and the solution you are going to write about in your essay, you can start planning your essay and then write it.

### Introduction

Walking is a more efficient type of exercise and one of the most basic strategies to maintain and live a healthy lifestyle. Exercise not only aids in the development of a decent physique but also enhances the body's metabolism and blood circulation. However, it has lately been found that many have lessened or stopped it entirely rather than continuing this practice.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Causes:** Reasons for reduced walking exercise amongst people

#### Supporting points:

- Easy availability of transportation
- Heat of the world is increasing and weather conditions are becoming hot and humid
- Prevailing crime rate on streets

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Solutions:** Measures that can be taken to promote walking exercise

#### Supporting points:

- Change in walking routine
- To reduce the rate of crime in the areas, CCTV should be installed, and security guards should be employed
- Health-awareness campaigns

### Conclusion

There are a number of reasons why individuals have halted walking workouts. Effective methods, on the other hand, can assist people in resuming walking.



## Essay 106

Many students find it difficult to pay attention at school. What are the reasons for this? What could be done to solve this problem?

### Sample Answer:

Due to increasing pressure and various other circumstances, children nowadays find it challenging to engage and concentrate in their academics at school. However, there are certain measures that can be taken to resolve this issue and make learning more fun and enjoyable for students.

Primarily, the lack of attention is due to the traditional teaching techniques followed by institutions. Passive teaching is sure to bore students rather than developing their talents since each student's grasping ability differs. The teachers are instructing students to memorise the answers instead of engaging in brainstorming and creative learning activities. The students rely on their memory and write the answer in the examination, which becomes the reason for frustration among the students. The use of portable devices such as mobile phones during lectures is another source of distraction. Instead of focusing on academics, students spend the majority of their time playing video games and surfing the internet.

Alternatively, if instructors in schools use active learning techniques, in which each student is given the opportunity to exhibit what they have learned, students' learning will increase. Teachers should also use a variety of instructional strategies to pique students' interest and engagement, such as presenting videos, engaging through presentations, and personally contacting students. Finally, because distractions like video games and cell phones are the most prevalent cause of a child's lack of interest in studying, they should be banned in schools, and parents should impose a daily usage restriction on them.

To sum up, modern teaching techniques should be implemented in order to develop students' enthusiasm for learning, and gadgets should be prohibited and limited because they tend to act as a barrier and reduce students' effectiveness.



## Structure of the essay

You were given a cause/solution question essay for which you had to talk about the problem and the solution to the problem.

Once you are clear about the causes and the solution you are going to write about in your essay, you can start planning your essay and then write it.

### Introduction

Due to increasing pressure and various other circumstances, children nowadays sometimes find it challenging to engage and concentrate in their academics at school. However, there are certain measures that can be taken to resolve this issue and make learning more fun and enjoyable for students.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Causes:** Factors that contribute to lack of attention among students

#### Supporting points:

- Traditional teaching techniques followed by institutions
- Use of mobile phones during lectures is another source of distraction

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Solutions:** Measures that can be taken to promote learning abilities

#### Supporting points:

- Use active learning techniques
- Use a variety of instructional strategies to pique students' interest
- Mobile phones should be banned in schools, and parents should impose a daily usage restriction on them

### Conclusion

Modern teaching techniques should be implemented in order to develop students' enthusiasm for learning, and gadgets should be prohibited and limited because they tend to act as a barrier and reduce students' effectiveness.



## Essay 107

Nowadays people live longer after they retire. How does this affect individuals and society? What can be done about this?

### Sample Answer

As average life expectancy rises, people are living longer and longer after retirement, which poses a number of problems for individuals and society. But, these tensions can be remedied through government action.

People retiring older can lead to conflict between individuals and an increased burden on society generally. For the young, the process of fully integrating older people into society can be challenging. For example, many older people have quieter lifestyles, and disputes may arise with younger individuals who are in the habit of hosting loud parties or coming home late at night, particularly in cases where young people are taking care of older relatives. The strain on society can also be great as older people require more medical support to treat conditions ranging from arthritis to cancer to heart disease. This translates to a greater proportion of taxes going to the older generation and can foster societal resentment and ageism.

The best fixes for these problems can be achieved by governmental actions. Firstly, governments can ease the integration of generations by providing better retirement plans for individuals. For example, in the United States, social security benefits are rarely enough to cover retirement, so many must depend on their children. As for society, governments must be more conscientious in planning for more substantial medical expenses. The government should anticipate this trend only continuing in the future and set aside funds to research and apply advanced treatments for retired citizens well into their 80s. These measures combined would alleviate some of the weight of supporting older populations.

In conclusion, the pressures resulting from growth in the average lifespan can be countered with forward-thinking governmental policy. This will only become more important in the future as people live even longer.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a problem/solution essay for which you had to talk about the problem and the solution to the problem.



Once you are clear about the problems you are going to write about in your essay, you can start planning your essay and then write it.

### **Introduction**

As average life expectancy rises, people are living longer and longer after retirement, which poses a number of problems for individuals and society. In my opinion, these tensions can be remedied through government actions.

### **Body Paragraph 1**

#### **Problems:**

- People retiring older can lead to conflict between individuals
- Increased burden on society
- Fully integrating older people into society can be challenging

#### **Example:**

- For example, many older people have quieter lifestyles and disputes may arise with younger individuals who are in the habit of hosting loud parties or coming home late at night.

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

#### **Solutions:**

- Governments can ease the integration of generations by providing better retirement plans
- Social security benefits should be given
- Governments must be more conscientious in planning for more substantial medical expenses

### **Conclusion:**

The pressures resulting from growth in the average lifespan can be countered with forward-thinking governmental policy. This will only become more important in the future as people live even longer.



## Essay 108

Car drivers and cyclists share the same roads, and this can cause problems for both of them. Why is this the case? What measures can be taken to solve these problems?

### Sample Answer

Of late, there has been an increase in the number of accidents when cyclists and car-drivers share the same lane. There have been cases where cyclists are thrown off their cycles onto the road. Primary causes are careless drivers from both categories and improper road planning by the government. But, the situation could improve if the government takes appropriate safety measures.

In slow-moving traffic, accidents occur when cyclists overtake a car by pedaling past them. Accidents happen in cases when car-drivers change lanes without checking their mirrors or blind spot before they change direction. There have been cyclists hit by motorists at night times because of cyclists not having their lights on. This is mere carelessness by the cyclists. Also, the road may have potholes. A cyclist unaware of the pothole and driving close to a motorist is more prone to an accident.

But there are practical solutions to prevent these conflicts. Firstly, cyclists need to think twice before overtaking four-wheelers. In cases where the car is travelling at great speed, the cyclist must not attempt to overtake the vehicle. Car drivers need to be aware of the highway code that says cyclists may encounter sudden obstacles on the road, and motorists need to consider this fact. Cyclists need to be wary of the road conditions before they use it. A cyclist needs to be careful when driving on a poor road amidst motorists. The government must implement separate lanes for cyclists and motorists and penalise anyone who bypasses the lanes. Strict policing must be done in T-junctions and roundabouts to avoid accidents.

In conclusion, accidents occur due to carelessness from the drivers of both categories and improper road planning. The problems could be solved by implementing separate lanes for cyclists and motorists and careful driving from both ends.

### Structure of the essay

If you were given a cause/solution essay, you have to talk about the problems and the solutions.



Once you are clear about the problems you are going to write about in your essay, you can start planning your essay and then write it.

### **Introduction:**

**Question paraphrased** - Of late, there has been an increase in the number of accidents when cyclists and car-drivers share the same lane. There have been cases where cyclists are thrown off their cycles onto the road. Primary causes are careless drivers from both categories and improper road planning by the government. But, the situation could improve if the government takes appropriate safety measures.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Central idea:** Reasons why conflicts occur between cyclists and motorists.

### **Supporting points:**

- Cyclist's tendency to overtake in slow moving traffic
- Motorists not paying attention to mirrors or blind spots
- Cyclists not having their lights on, at night.
- Poorly maintained roads.

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** Steps that can be taken to avoid conflicts between motorists and cyclists

### **Supporting points:**

- Cyclists should not try to overtake a car which is at its full speed.
- Separate lanes for cyclists and motorists.
- Motorists need to be considerate of the fact that cyclists may encounter sudden obstacles on the road.

### **Conclusion:**

Summarised the causes and solutions - In conclusion, accidents occur due to carelessness from the drivers of both categories and improper road planning. The problems could be solved by implementing separate lanes for cyclists and motorists and careful driving from both ends.



## Essay 109

If an individual acts in an anti-social way, such as committing the crime, who is to be blamed: society or the individual? What are the causes behind such behavior? Who should be responsible for this?

### Sample Answer

Antisocial behaviours are errant actions of a person that are considered to be harmful to society. This can be exhibited in different ways, such as violence and unfriendliness towards fellow human beings. A person becomes a criminal due to various reasons. People hailing from broken homes, children raised by step-mothers, orphaned children abandoned by the society are some examples. The community is to be blamed for people committing crimes. In the forthcoming paragraphs, I shall examine this in detail.

Primarily, people become criminals because of circumstantial pressures. In situations where parents have divorced and found different partners, the children born to the earlier partner may be neglected. Such children envy the attention and care given to their siblings and eventually develop hatred towards society in later life. Secondly, some people join terrorist groups. This is primarily due to unemployment and people with moral anger towards society. Unemployed people engage in unlawful activities due to social estrangement, while the highly educated people become terrorists due to religious fanaticism and dogmas of faith they have developed from young.

The government, parents and educational institutions should take responsibility for creating an ideal society. The government should create ample employment opportunities and encourage self-employment activities. It should curb religious bigotry at all levels. Parents should ensure that their relationship problems do not affect their children adversely. Teachers should pay special attention to children undergoing challenging situations at home.

In conclusion, society should take the blame for people developing antisocial tendencies. Childhood environment, societal negligence and articles of faith instilled from childhood are the causes of developing differences with society. The government, along with parents and teachers, should take equal responsibility to solve these problems.

### Structure of the essay

If you were given a cause/solution essay, you have to talk about the problems and the solutions.



Once you are clear about the problems you are going to write about in your essay, you can start planning your essay and then write it.

### **Introduction:**

**Question paraphrased** - Antisocial behaviours are errant actions of a person that are considered to be harmful to society. This can be exhibited in different ways, such as violence and unfriendliness towards fellow human beings. A person becomes a criminal due to various reasons. People hailing from broken homes, children raised by step-mothers, orphaned children abandoned by the society are some examples. The community is to be blamed for people committing crimes.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Central idea:** Causes for anti-social behaviour

#### **Supporting points:**

- Children hailing from broken homes
- Unemployment
- People with moral anger towards the society
- Articles of faith instilled as a child

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** Steps that can be taken to meet food demand

#### **Supporting points:**

- Government should encourage self-employment
- Parents with relationship problems with their partners should ensure that it does not affect their children
- Teachers should pay special attention to children having problems at home.

### **Conclusion:**

Summarised the causes and solutions - In conclusion, society should take the blame for people developing antisocial tendencies in a person. Childhood environment, societal negligence and articles of faith instilled from childhood are the causes of developing differences with society.



The government, along with parents and teachers, should take equal responsibility to solve these problems



## Essay 110

The demand for food is increasing worldwide. Why has it happened? What measures could the international community take to improve the situation?

### Sample Answer

The demand for food has exceeded production. This is worrisome because hunger and starvation will increase the death toll. Two major causes can be attributed to the current situation. They are population explosion and changes in diet patterns of people, such as becoming protein savvy. However, it can be mitigated by taking the necessary steps.

In the 21st century, the global population has seen a four-fold increase. According to a survey, the world consisted of only 1.8 billion people in 1915. According to the numbers estimated by the UN, we are 7.3 billion people now, and we are expected to reach 9.7 billion by 2050. This growth is fuelling demand for food. The demand for food is estimated to increase between 59% to 98% by 2050. There has been a change in food consumption of people in developed and developing countries who have started using superior grains. Climate changes such as extreme weather conditions and depletion of water resources have led to low crop yields.

However, some steps can be taken to overcome this issue. Firstly, deforestation should be stopped. They don't serve the purpose at all. Defendants of deforestation claim that the forests were cleared to make more agricultural lands. But deforestation has many dangerous after-effects which impact the production of crops. Farmers need to resort to organic fertilizers and modern farming practices to increase the yield of crops. The government should lessen the loan burden of farmers. The global community must ensure that there are good storage and transportation facilities so that starving nations get food from those who produce it in surplus. Awareness must be created that people need not resort to superfoods to meet their protein needs.

In conclusion, though population explosion and change in food consumption have fuelled demand for food, we can meet it by adopting measures such as stopping deforestation, resorting to organic fertilizers, and following modern agricultural practices.

### Structure of the essay

If you were given a cause/solution essay, you have to talk about the problems and the solutions.



Once you are clear about the problems you are going to write about in your essay, you can start planning your essay and then write it.

### **Introduction:**

**Question paraphrased** - The demand for food has exceeded the production. This is worrisome because hunger and starvation will increase the death toll. Two major causes can be attributed to the current situation. They are population explosion and changes in diet patterns of people such as becoming protein savvy. However, it can be mitigated by taking necessary steps.

### **Body Paragraph 1:**

**Central idea:** Factors fuelling food demand

#### **Supporting points:**

- Population explosion
- Change in food consumption
- Climatic changes leading to low crop yields

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** Steps that can be taken to meet food demand

#### **Supporting points:**

- Stopping deforestation
- Adopting modern agricultural practices
- Lessening the loan burden on farmers

### **Conclusion:**

Summarised the causes and solutions - In conclusion, though population explosion and change in food consumption have fuelled demand for food, we can meet it by adopting measures such as stopping deforestation, resorting to organic fertilizers, and following modern agricultural practices.



## Essay 111

Teenagers face a lot of problems in school and at home. What is the cause of this? How can parents solve this problem?

### Sample Answer

Teenage years are the most delicate years of a person's life. It is believed that they usually face a lot of problems and hesitate to share their difficulties with others so parents, as well as tutors, can play a prominent role to solve their problems.

It is certainly true that a person at his teenage is not able to adapt to all things like an adult. They face huge problems in their academic and other extracurricular activities. For example, most of the parents compel their children to choose a particular stream in which they have no interest in. Thus, it puts a negative effect on their studies and future. Additionally, the teacher may be partially dealing with some students so some of the left-out students are unable to understand various technical subjects such as mathematics and science. Therefore, they lose their courage and cannot put best efforts to achieve success in life.

However, the parents should give full freedom to children to select a field of interest in their study. They also should spend enough time with their children so that they can gain knowledge about their traditions, customs and family history. The educational institution can organise a sports event at least once in a month so teenagers develop their traits like team-work, coordination, team-spirit and tolerance. It is crystal clear that these measures will help to boost up the confidence of teenagers.

It has been proved that it is the responsibility of both parents as well as teachers to help them in every problem. It is undoubtedly true that teenagers are not fully mentally sturdy to take the crucial decision for their foreseeable future.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a cause/solution essay for which you had to talk about the problem and the solution to the problem.

Once you are clear about the problems you are going to write about in your essay, you can start planning your essay and then write it.

### Introduction



Teenage years are the most delicate years of a person's life. It is believed that they usually face a lot of problems and hesitate to share their difficulties with others so parents, as well as tutors, can play a prominent role to solve their problems.

### **Body Paragraph 1**

Problems:

- They face huge problems in their academic and other extracurricular activities.
- The teacher may be partially dealing with some students so some of the left-out students are unable to understand various technical subjects such as mathematics and science.

Example:

- For example, most of the parents compel their children to choose a particular stream in which they have no interest in. Thus, it puts a negative effect on their studies and future.

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

Solutions:

- The parents should give full freedom to children to select a field of interest in their study. They also should spend enough time with their children so that they can gain knowledge about their traditions, customs and family history.
  - The educational institution can organise a sports event at least once in a month so teenagers develop their traits like team-work, co-ordination, team-spirit and tolerance.

### **Conclusion:**

It has been proved that it is the responsibility of both parents as well as teachers to help them in every problem. It is undoubtedly true that teenagers are not fully mentally sturdy to take the crucial decision for their foreseeable future.



## Essay 112

Overpopulation in urban areas has led to numerous problems. Identify one or two serious ones and suggest ways that governments and individuals can tackle these problems.

### Sample Answer

We all know that overpopulation is the major problem in most countries and is being increased day by day mostly in Urban areas. It is our duty as individuals alongside the government to find out the issues in the city and help overcome these problems.

Firstly, the major problem with overpopulation is providing people with housing facilities. The government is unable to provide people with appropriate housing facilities. To overcome this situation, we have to urge the government to make use of their funds to build many houses, in order to rent it to the migrated people. We as individuals can also offer to help solve the issue by renting one or two extra rooms in our house to students who have come from other countries or cities.

Secondly, people choose to travel in their vehicles rather than travelling in public transport because public transport is overcrowded and people feel inconvenient to travel in overcrowded transportation. And this, in turn, may also cause a lot of air pollution as well, which ultimately results in ruining the health of the people. To overcome this problem the government should come up with more transport facilities to make travel easier. We as individuals can overcome this issue by walking for short distances so that people who travel for long distances can use the transport facilities, and the problem of air pollution will be reduced.

To sum it up, there a lot of problems or issues that come up due to overpopulation. But, if we as individuals help the government solve these problems. I am sure all the issues will be solved.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a cause/solution essay for which you had to talk about the problem and the solution to the problem.



Once you are clear about the problems you are going to write about in your essay, you can start planning your essay and then write it.

### Introduction

We all know that overpopulation is the major problem in most countries and is being increased day by day mostly in Urban areas.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** 'Providing housing facilities for everyone.'

Problem:

- The major problem with overpopulation is providing people with housing facilities. The government is unable to provide people with appropriate housing facilities.

Solution:

- To overcome this situation, we have to urge the government to make use of their funds to build many houses, in order to rent it to the migrated people.
- We as individuals can also offer to help solve the issue by renting one or two extra rooms in our house to students who have come from other countries or cities.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Public transport getting overcrowded.

Problem:

- People choose to travel in their vehicles rather than travelling in public transport because public transport is overcrowded.

Solution:

- To overcome this problem the government should come up with more transport facilities to make travel easier. We as individuals can overcome this issue by walking for short distances so that people who travel for long distances can use the transport facilities, and the problem of air pollution will be reduced.

**Conclusion:**



To sum it up, there a lot of problems or issues that come up due to overpopulation. But, if we as individuals help the government solve these problems. I am sure all the issues will be solved.



## Essay 113

Large businesses have big budgets for marketing and promotion and as a result, people gravitate towards buying their products. What problems does this cause? What could be done to encourage people to buy local products?

### Sample Answer

Thanks to globalization, multinational companies have entered the local markets. They have huge marketing budgets to promote their products and attract buyers. Unfortunately, the aggressive marketing tactics employed by big companies lead to the death of local shops. However, local store owners can counter this by improving the quality of their products and offering personalized services.

Global business giants now have their outlets even in small villages. Since they offer huge discounts on most products, they can easily attract buyers. At first glance, this may seem beneficial for the customers but it is not. The presence of international retailers in the local market hurts local businesses and thus the local economy. For example, many local merchants have lost their livelihood because their products have no buyers. Instead of buying their handmade products, people now prefer to buy factory-made products that look more attractive. If local people lose their livelihood, eventually the purchasing power of the local community will decline.

The only way for local businesses to compete with international giants is to offer personalized services. While it is true that local traders cannot offer the kind of discounts or offers that multinational giants offer, they know their customers better. It is also possible for them to understand the exact needs of their target group. This knowledge puts them in a better position to cater to the specific needs of their buyers. In addition to this, the local businessmen should try to improve the quality of their products. This is essential to ensure that their customers will return. The government also needs to intervene and prevent multinational giants from entering certain sectors.

To conclude, when international companies woo local customers with great discounts and offers, the local economy suffers the most. However, local businessmen can overcome this threat by offering customized solutions to their buyers.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a cause/solution essay for which you had to talk about the problem and the solution to the problem.



Once you are clear about the problems you are going to write about in your essay, you can start planning your essay and then write it.

### **Introduction**

Thanks to globalisation, multinational companies have entered the local markets. They have huge marketing budgets to promote their products and attract buyers. Unfortunately, the aggressive marketing tactics employed by big companies lead to the death of local shops.

### **Body Paragraph 1**

Problems:

- Global business giants now have their outlets even in small villages.
- At first glance, this may seem beneficial for the customers but it is not. The presence of international retailers in the local market hurts local businesses and thus the local economy.

Example:

- Many local merchants have lost their livelihood because their products have no buyers.

### **Body Paragraph 2:**

Solutions:

- The only way for local businesses to compete with international giants is to offer personalized services.
- The local businessmen should try to improve the quality of their products. This is essential to ensure that their customers will return.
- The government also needs to intervene and prevent multinational giants from entering certain sectors.

### **Conclusion:**

When international companies woo local customers with great discounts and offers, the local economy suffers the most. However, local businessmen can overcome this threat by offering customized solutions to their buyers.



## Direct Question Essay

### General Structure

#### Instructions to follow

- If you are given a direct question essay, all you have to do with it is answer the questions given in each body paragraph.

A direct question essay should have:

- Introduction
- Body Paragraphs vary according to the number of questions
- Conclusion

#### Introduction

Your introduction paragraph should paraphrase your question. Use synonyms for the words used in the question.

#### Body Paragraphs

Your body paragraph should revolve around the answer to the question. But it should be according to this format:

- A central idea
- Supporting ideas
- Example (optional, would help you to score a higher band)

**A central idea:** The paragraph should revolve around this idea.

**Supporting points:** Added points that support your central idea.

**Example:** Examples from your real-life experiences that support the supporting idea. They are optional.

#### Conclusion:

Paraphrase your question along with an emphasis on your opinion.



## Essay 114

Getting promotions is one of the biggest motivators for hard work in the modern workplace. Why are people so driven to receive promotions? What other factors motivate people to work hard?

### Sample Answer

Most people are driven by the prospect of getting a promotion. This essay will discuss why this is the case and also suggest some other ways that companies can use to motivate people to work hard. The first reason for having the drive to get promotions is monetary satisfaction. Everyone wants to live a comfortable life, and this is not possible without earning enough money.

Nowadays, jealousy and envy have become common emotions. But promotions and resulting salary hikes can help satisfy them. A recent survey by the New York Times can attest to this fact, which showed that about 1/3 of the people surveyed selected the money value as the top reason for the motivation behind getting promotions. Secondly, many people believe that getting a promotion is a sign that the company has appreciated their work. / the company appreciates their work. Promotions give a sense of recognition to the employees and make them feel that they are valued. A person hungry for recognition always wants to keep the work momentum going in the right direction.

There are, however, some other factors equally helpful for keeping employees motivated to work hard. The first of them can be autonomy and trust. Employees are often irritated by the supervisors and bosses who micromanage. If they're trusted enough and given the opportunity to work on their own, they will not only stay motivated at work but can also flourish in their roles. The second motivating reason can be a better work-life balance. In today's competitive environment where employers have unrealistic expectations, employees are often forced to put in extra hours, which ultimately affects their personal lives. The employee feels stressed out and loses motivation in the long run. For example, the survey agency, 'Great places to work', gives the highest credits to the companies that provide/offer greater work-life balance for their workers.

In conclusion, promotions motivate employees because they elevate their social status and enable them to earn more. Offering them more authority and showing trust in them are other ways companies can use to motivate their employees.



## Structure of the essay

You were given a direct question essay.

All you have to do with direct question essays is, answer the questions given in each body paragraph.

### Introduction

Most people are driven by the prospect of getting a promotion. The first reason for having the drive to get promotions is monetary satisfaction. Everyone wants to live a comfortable life, and this is not possible without earning enough money.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** 'Money is the reason behind getting promotions.'

#### Supporting points:

- Promotions and resulting salary hikes help satisfy jealousy and envy
- $\frac{1}{3}$  people in a survey selected the money value as the top reason for the motivation behind getting promotions
- Promotion is a sign that the company has appreciated the work
- Promotion makes people feel that they are valued

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Other factors keeping employees motivated to work hard.

#### Supporting points:

- Autonomy and trust keep employees motivated
- Employees are often irritated by the supervisors and bosses who micromanage
- Employees are forced to put in extra hours, affecting their personal lives

### Conclusion

Promotions motivate employees because they elevate their social status and enable them to earn more. Offering them more authority and showing trust in them are other ways companies can use to motivate their employees.



## Essay 115

Some people think that it is good to be ambitious. How important is it to be ambitious? Do you think it's a good characteristic?

### Sample Answer

Ambition is nothing but a strong desire for achieving a goal through hard work and determination. The great achievers of history have all had it. Individuals with this trait are people who consistently drive towards their dreams and goals. So, there is not a shadow of a doubt that ambition is a positive trait which is essential to be successful.

To begin with, I oppose the thought that ambition is a negative characteristic. Ambition does not constitute a character flaw which causes dishonesty or an unquenchable thirst for outcomes beyond the reach of their goal. Instead, ambition is an aspiration for attaining something good where nothing even existed before.

Again, I firmly believe that ambition is the key to success whereas success can be defined as embracing a goal. However, the road to success is always filled with ups and downs, pain, uncertainty, and tremendous hard work. In this context, one needs great effort in order to be successful in attaining his goal and therefore he needs to be persistent and highly motivated in the goal. It goes without saying that it is absurd to have such motivation and determination without being ambitious. That is to say, that ambition creates zeal within the human that fuels motivation and instigates the aspiration to succeed. In addition, ambition leads to dedication which fosters perseverance. More or less, each of us has some goals, but only who has the ability to stick with his goal can taste the success. Thus, ambition plays a crucial role in achieving goals.

In conclusion, success is a phenomenon that all of us wish to attain. Success and ambition go hand in hand. This suggests that ambition can never be a negative trait. In achieving the goal, ambition and success are not divergent but interconnected in such a way that one can be explored through another.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a direct question essay.

All you have to do with direct question essays is, answer the questions given in each body paragraph.

### Introduction



Ambition is nothing but a strong desire for achieving a goal through hard work and determination. The great achievers of history have all had it.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** 'Ambition isn't a negative characteristic.'

#### Supporting points:

- Ambition does not constitute a character flaw which causes dishonesty or an unquenchable thirst for outcomes beyond the reach of their goal. Instead, ambition is an aspiration for attaining something good where nothing even existed before.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Ambition is the key to success

#### Supporting points:

- In this context, one needs great effort in order to be successful in attaining his goal and therefore he needs to be persistent and highly motivated in the goal. It goes without saying that it is absurd to have such motivation and determination without being ambitious.
- Ambition creates zeal within the human that fuels motivation and instigates the aspiration to succeed. In addition, ambition leads to dedication which fosters perseverance.

### Conclusion

Success is a phenomenon that all of us wish to attain. Success and ambition go hand in hand. This suggests that ambition can never be a negative trait. In achieving the goal, ambition and success are not divergent but interconnected in such a way that one can be explored through another.



## Essay 116

Some people say that watching TV programmes and movies related to crime are popular. Why do you think it's popular and how does it affect society?

### Sample Answer

Nowadays, people love to watch different shows and films on television and in the cinema theatres. They are keen to watch Tv shows and movies in the crime genre than other genres. In my opinion, they watch it because these are more entertaining and it creates awareness among the masses about different dangers in society.

To start with, people show great interest in watching crime content because it fascinates them more than drama shows and these are based on the real-life stories of the people. For example, there is a popular crime show, which is telecasted on Sony channel. In this programme, they broadcast the real stories of misdeeds that happened to the people in the past and it thrills the folks. As a result, the Television Rating Point (TRP) of the show is way more than the other drama shows telecasted at the same time on different channels. So, crime shows are more admired by people.

Moreover, it has a positive impact on the community because it alerts them from various dangers present in society such as kidnapping, molestation and murders. Also, it tells them about numerous laws that are there in the constitution to protect them against these heinous crimes. For example, there is a movie called Singham, released a couple of years ago and in this movie, they explained how to tackle the situation if any misdeed happens. It was a super hit film. Hence, it is apparent that it brings a positive change in society.

In conclusion, crime programmes are the most popular among individuals due to its ability to engage people and it also has a good impact on humankind as these are more knowledgeable than the drama shows and more shows and films in this genre should be made.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a direct question essay.

All you have to do with direct question essays is, answer the questions given in each body paragraph.

### Introduction



Nowadays, people love to watch different shows and films on television and in the cinema theatres. They are keen to watch Tv shows and movies in the crime genre than other genres.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** 'It is more fascinating and based on real-life'

#### Supporting points:

- To start with, people show great interest in watching crime content because it fascinates them more than drama shows and these are based on the real-life stories of the people.

#### Example:

- There is a popular crime show, which is telecasted on Sony channel. In this programme, they broadcast the real stories of misdeeds that happened to the people in the past and it thrills the folks.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Positive impact on the community

#### Supporting points:

- It has a positive impact on the community because it alerts them from various dangers present in society such as kidnapping, molestation and murders.
- It tells them about numerous laws that are there in the constitution to protect them against these heinous crimes.

#### Example:

- There is a movie called Singham, released a couple of years ago and in this movie, they explained how to tackle the situation if any misdeed happens.

### Conclusion

Crime programmes are the most popular among individuals due to its ability to engage people and it also has a good impact on humankind as these are more knowledgeable than the drama shows and more shows and films in this genre should be made.



## Essay 117

Many students are now refusing to choose science subjects at their university level. Why do you think this is happening and what is the impact on the community?

### Sample Answer

It is true that the number of science students are becoming inadequate in different parts of the world nowadays. There are two major factors that contribute to the common disinterest in science subjects.

Firstly, those subjects are often challenging and require a lot of intensity as well as a great deal of patience and intelligence. The number of researches that an average Biology student has to do is more than other subjects with a higher level of both difficulty and commitment, which stops many students from choosing science as their majors. Secondly, employment opportunities in this particular field are limited and extremely competitive. Although a huge amount of time and effort is spent on science study at school, there is still little chance for them to get a job after graduation.

Society greatly suffers from the scarcity of aspirants in science fields. As the number of science students is less, other majors such as business or economics have increased, hence the imbalance in the future workforce. Competitiveness increased due to too many degree holders of the same expertise pushing a worrying number of graduates to the verge of unemployment. Another problem is the shortage of science professionals as qualified employees are low in number. Unless more students decided to study science at university, sooner or later we would have to face a major human resource crisis.

In conclusion, some strict requirements of science subjects and employment opportunities are the reasons why a lot of students are not choosing science subjects to study, and there are serious problems arising from this situation, hence government should create more job opportunities to overcome this issue.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a direct question essay.

All you have to do with direct question essays is, answer the questions given in each body paragraph.

### Introduction



It is true that the number of science students are becoming inadequate in different parts of the world nowadays.

### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** 'Reasons why it's happening.'

#### Supporting points:

- Those subjects are often challenging and require a lot of intensity as well as a great deal of patience and intelligence. The number of researches that an average Biology student has to do is more than other subjects with a higher level of both difficulty and commitment, which stops many students from choosing science as their majors.
- Employment opportunities in this particular field are limited and extremely competitive. Although a huge amount of time and effort is spent on science study at school, there is still little chance for them to get a job after graduation.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Scarcity of aspirants in science fields.

#### Supporting points:

- As the number of science students is less, other majors such as business or economics have increased, hence the imbalance in the future workforce. Competitiveness increased due to too many degree holders of the same expertise pushing a worrying number of graduates to the verge of unemployment.

### Conclusion

Some strict requirements of science subjects and employment opportunities are the reasons why a lot of students are not choosing science subjects to study, and there are serious problems arising from this situation, hence government should create more job opportunities to overcome this issue.



## Essay 118

Art is considered an essential part of all cultures throughout the world. However, these days fewer and fewer people appreciate art and turn their focus to science, technology and business. Why do you think that is? What could be done to encourage more people to take an interest in the arts?

### Sample Answer

Art has always played an important role in enriching cultures all over the world. However, people are showing less and less interest in art these days.

While it is true that art enriches our culture, it plays little or no role in improving our lives. For example, one does not have to admire great paintings or marvel at brilliant sculptures to live comfortably. This is not exactly the same as the contributions of science and technology. For example, electricity or computers. It is impossible to imagine a life without these technologies. It is okay to say, people are showing more interest in science than in arts. Science and business also create more jobs and sustain financially.

Another reason for the losing popularity of art is that it has lost the patronage of governments. During the monarchy, artists enjoyed considerable attention. While governments still support art and artists no special incentive is given to produce masterpieces of art. Art and culture co-exist. One cannot survive without the other. That explains the importance of preserving art. One way of doing this is to make art a viable career option. The government should create jobs in this sector by opening more and more art galleries and organizing exhibitions and cultural programmes. This will encourage more students to pursue art at school and colleges.

To conclude, the most effective way to nurture art is to capitalize on its economic potential. The government can do this by creating jobs in this sector.

### Structure of the essay

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#### Introduction

Art has always played an important role in enriching cultures all over the world. However, people are showing less and less interest in art these days.

#### Body paragraph 1



Supporting points:

- While it is true that art enriches our culture, it plays little or no role in improving our lives. For example, one does not have to admire great paintings or marvel at brilliant sculptures to live comfortably. This is not exactly the same as the contributions of science and technology. For example, electricity or computers.
  - Another reason for the losing popularity of art is that it has lost the patronage of governments. During the monarchy, artists enjoyed considerable attention. While governments still support art and artists no special incentive is given to produce masterpieces of art. Art and culture co-exist. One cannot survive without the other.

### **Conclusion**

To conclude, the most effective way to nurture art is to capitalize on its economic potential. The government can do this by creating jobs in this sector.



## Essay 119

Many people are copying celebrities from magazines and on TV. Why is this happening? Do you think it's a good idea to copy celebrities?

### young Sample Answer

Today's generation follow celebrities and desire to live a life like sportspeople, actors, actresses, singers, dancers etc. on all types of social platforms. They are getting information about their favorite celebrities and are prone to talk about their glamorous and luxurious life with their peers.

Due to the use of social media, there are new ways to peek into celebrities' life. People often think of celebrities as their ideals and tend to copy their lifestyle and follow their footsteps to achieve success. This can often lead us to an urge of leading a life we are unable to afford, which also creates a false expectation.

The luxurious lifestyle and beauty of celebrities often influence the younger generation. Trying to copy them, their styles, hairstyles, and looks can lead to disappointments when they aren't flawless like the celebrities in spite of trying. Some put themselves under tremendous pressure to look as beautiful as celebrities and forget that filters and camera applications also play a major role in the pictures.

This has also been one of the main causes of depression among the younger generation. I don't think that copying celebrities is a good idea as it only affects our mental health due to the constant comparison of our lives with theirs. We need to be happy and content with what we have and thus remove the influences of these celebrities from our life.

### Structure of the essay

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### Introduction

Today's young generation follow celebrities and desire to live a life like sportspeople, actors, actresses, singers, dancers etc on all types of social platforms.

**Body Paragraph 1**

**Central idea:** 'Influence of lifestyle on the younger generation'.

**Supporting points:**

- People often think of celebrities as their ideals and tend to copy their lifestyle and follow their footsteps to achieve success. This can often lead us to an urge of leading a life we are unable to afford, which also creates a false expectation.

**Body Paragraph 2:**

**Central idea:** 'Influence of beauty on the younger generation'

**Supporting points:**

- Trying to copy them, their styles, hairstyles, and looks can lead to disappointments when they aren't flawless like the celebrities in spite of trying.
- Some put themselves under tremendous pressure to look as beautiful as celebrities and forget that filters and camera applications also play a major role in the pictures.

**Conclusion**

I don't think that copying celebrities is a good idea as it only affects our mental health due to the constant comparison of our lives with theirs. We need to be happy and content with what we have and thus remove the influences of these celebrities from our life.



## Essay 120

Online shopping is significantly increasing. What effect does this have people, what are the demerits and what are the job opportunities?

### Sample Answer

In today's busy lifestyle, going to the market for shopping has become a difficult task compared to online shopping. It's easier as you can see all the items on your mobile phones or laptops without any effort. We can see different variants of the item, compare prices and do not have to get through the hassle of multiple stores to find the perfect dress, colour and fit. It's also less time consuming.

Online shopping, like other businesses has both advantages and disadvantages. Online shopping has become a wide market in which goods are sold at cheaper and affordable prices to the customers. The growing competition in e-commerce business has led to huge discounts for customers. Online shopping is less time consuming, affordable and offers multiple options in just one click. There are also cases of fraud that has taken place as lower quality and cheaper quality products are delivered instead of original products that were promised. At the same time, it has affected the retail shops in the market and many of them have shut down due to lesser customers, which has resulted in many daily wage workers, retailer workers and sales agents losing their jobs.

On the bright side, Online shopping has provided job opportunities for the people in the IT sector. They design these online shopping websites and the technical team that maintains it. It has also created thousands of jobs such as customer Service agents, where the consumer can reach out for assistance and enquiries related to the product they want to purchase.

As mentioned earlier online shopping has made life easier without the hassle of going all the way to the market, or visiting various shops to find the right product and a lot of time is saved hence online shopping has significantly increased and made a tremendous impact.

### Structure of the essay

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### Introduction



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### **Body paragraph 1**

- Online shopping is less time consuming, affordable and offers multiple options in just one click. There are also cases of fraud that has taken place as lower quality and cheaper quality products are delivered instead of original products that were promised.
- At the same time, it has affected the retail shops in the market and many of them have shut down due to lesser customers, which has resulted in many daily wage workers, retailer workers and sales agents losing their jobs.

### **Body Paragraph 2**

- Online shopping has provided job opportunities for the people in the IT sector. They design these online shopping websites and the technical team that maintains it.
  - It has also created thousands of jobs such as customer service agents, where the consumer can reach out for assistance and enquiries related to the product they want to purchase.

### **Conclusion**

As mentioned earlier online shopping has made life easier without the hassle of going all the way to the market, or visiting various shops to find the right product and a lot of time is saved hence online shopping has significantly increased and made a tremendous impact.



## Essay 121

Some companies have uniforms for their staff which must be worn at all times. What are the advantages for a company having a uniform? Are there any benefits of having a uniform for the staff?

### Sample Answer

Uniforms are a necessity for employees working in a certain company. They add a lot of benefits to the company.

Employers wearing uniforms in a company shows the unity of a company and makes all staffs feel like their equals. Companies that have uniforms for their staff expect them to wear it every day to maintain the discipline of the company and follow the rules of the company. It also helps in security purposes by not allowing anyone without the uniform into the company.

Uniforms also help in brand promotion, uniforms with brand name and logos promote the company wherever the employee goes, it also becomes a free source of promotion and advertisement to the company. It also helps the company create a brand image as the uniform differentiate the employees from the other competitors in the market. It also provides numerous benefits to the staff of the company. As the uniform is provided by the employer, it saves the staff tons of money and they do not have to worry about what to wear to work. It also provides extra safety benefits as the uniforms are designed with Flame-Resistant workwear which protects them from accidental fire and electrical hazards.

Uniforms provide employees with a lot of benefits in terms of safety, promotion, security purposes and companies that force or have a rule that makes the employees wear a uniform isn't a bad idea at all.

### Structure of the essay

You were given a direct question essay.

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### Introduction

Uniforms are a necessity for employees working in a certain company. They add a lot of benefits to the company.



### Body Paragraph 1

**Central idea:** 'Benefits of an employee wearing uniform.'

#### Supporting points:

- Employers wearing uniform in a company shows the unity of a company and makes all staffs feel like their equals. Companies that have uniforms for their staff expect them to wear it every day to maintain the discipline of the company and follow the rules of the company
- It also helps in security purposes by not allowing anyone without the uniform into the company.

### Body Paragraph 2:

**Central idea:** Added benefits of an employee wearing uniform.

#### Supporting points:

- Uniforms also help in brand promotion, uniforms with brand name and logos promote the company wherever the employee goes, it also becomes a free source of promotion and advertisement to the company. It also helps the company create a brand image as the uniform differentiate the employees from the other competitors in the market.
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Uniforms provide employees with a lot of benefits in terms of safety, promotion, security purposes and companies that force or have a rule that makes the employees wear a uniform isn't a bad idea at all.

