



The Natural World

Article planning bank: learning outdoors

Exam-style article task

Your class has recently discussed whether schools should spend more time learning outdoors. Your teacher has asked you to write an article about this topic for your school magazine. Here are some comments about learning outdoors to help you:

'Nature makes lessons feel more real.'

'Students notice things they cannot see in books.'

'Bad weather can spoil activities.'

'Outdoor lessons can be hard to manage.'

Now write an article for your school magazine.

The comments may give you some ideas, and you should also use some ideas of your own.

Write about 120 to 160 words.

Planning

Use the comments to organise your article. Add details and examples.

Section	Ideas / Useful language	Linking phrases
Concise, engaging title	Possible techniques: question / nature phrase / contrast Title idea:	[] Learn beyond walls? [] Nature as a classroom [] Outside for a reason
Introduction	Context: outdoor learning; nature, weather and classroom control Hook: question / direct address / lively opening statement My angle:	[] Most lessons happen... [] The natural world can... [] This matters because...
Learning benefits	Idea: nature makes lessons feel real Example / detail: Extra idea: students notice things not in books Detail / example:	[] One benefit is... [] For example,... [] This can make...
Practical concerns	Concern: bad weather can spoil activities Why / effect: Another point: outdoor lessons are hard to manage Possible response:	[] However,... [] A practical concern is... [] Teachers could...
Final view	My opinion: Closing message: when should learning move outdoors?	[] In my view,... [] Overall,... [] Outdoor learning should...

Write your article

Write an article for your school magazine. Cover the comments, develop your points and make your opinion clear.

Article title _____

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Article planning bank: protecting wildlife

Exam-style article task

Your class has recently discussed whether young people should do more to protect local wildlife. Your teacher has asked you to write an article about this topic for your school magazine. Here are some comments about local wildlife to help you:

'Small actions can protect habitats.'

'Wildlife clubs could be interesting.'

'Many people do not know what lives nearby.'

'Students are already busy.'

Now write an article for your school magazine.

The comments may give you some ideas, and you should also use some ideas of your own.

Write about 120 to 160 words.

Planning

Use the comments to organise your article. Add details and examples.

Section	Ideas / Useful language	Linking phrases
Concise, engaging title	Possible techniques: question / wildlife phrase / strong opinion Title idea:	[] Who protects wildlife? [] Nature on our doorstep [] Small actions for animals
Introduction	Context: local wildlife; habitats, awareness and student time Hook: question / direct address / lively opening statement My angle:	[] Local wildlife is often... [] Many students may not realise... [] This matters because...
Ways to help wildlife	Idea: small actions protect habitats Example / detail: Extra idea: wildlife clubs could be interesting Detail / example:	[] One action is... [] For example,... [] This could protect...
Awareness or limits	Concern: people do not know what lives nearby Why / effect: Another point: students are already busy Possible response:	[] However,... [] The difficulty is... [] A simple first step is...
Final view	My opinion: Closing message: how can young people protect wildlife?	[] In my view,... [] Overall,... [] Young people can...

Write your article

Write an article for your school magazine. Cover the comments, develop your points and make your opinion clear.

Article title _____

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Article planning bank: visiting nature reserves

Exam-style article task

Your class has recently discussed whether students should visit nature reserves more often. Your teacher has asked you to write an article about this topic for your school magazine. Here are some comments about nature reserves to help you:

'Seeing animals in real habitats is exciting.'

'Guides can explain conservation clearly.'

'Trips can be expensive.'

'Some students may prefer indoor activities.'

Now write an article for your school magazine.

The comments may give you some ideas, and you should also use some ideas of your own.

Write about 120 to 160 words.

Planning

Use the comments to organise your article. Add details and examples.

Section	Ideas / Useful language	Linking phrases
Concise, engaging title	Possible techniques: question / nature trip phrase / contrast Title idea:	☐ Nature worth visiting? ☐ Wild lessons ☐ Beyond the classroom
Introduction	Context: nature reserves; real habitats, conservation and trip costs Hook: question / direct address / lively opening statement My angle:	☐ A nature reserve can... ☐ Seeing wildlife directly... ☐ This matters because...
Educational benefits	Idea: animals in real habitats are exciting Example / detail: Extra idea: guides explain conservation clearly Detail / example:	☐ One benefit is... ☐ For instance,... ☐ This can help students...
Trip concerns	Concern: trips can be expensive Why / effect: Another point: some prefer indoor activities Possible response:	☐ However,... ☐ A practical issue is... ☐ To make visits worthwhile,...
Final view	My opinion: Closing message: why should students visit nature reserves?	☐ In my view,... ☐ Overall,... ☐ Schools should...

Write your article

Write an article for your school magazine. Cover the comments, develop your points and make your opinion clear.

Article title _____

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Article planning bank: weather and daily life

Exam-style article task

Your class has recently discussed whether people should pay more attention to changes in the weather. Your teacher has asked you to write an article about this topic for your school magazine. Here are some comments about weather and daily life to help you:

'Weather affects travel and sport.'

'Extreme weather can be dangerous.'

'Forecasts are not always correct.'

'People cannot control the weather.'

Now write an article for your school magazine.

The comments may give you some ideas, and you should also use some ideas of your own.

Write about 120 to 160 words.

Planning

Use the comments to organise your article. Add details and examples.

Section	Ideas / Useful language	Linking phrases
Concise, engaging title	Possible techniques: question / weather phrase / contrast Title idea:	☐ Watch the weather? ☐ More than a forecast ☐ Ready for change?
Introduction	Context: weather; travel, sport, safety and forecasts Hook: question / direct address / lively opening statement My angle:	☐ Weather may seem ordinary... ☐ Every day,... ☐ This matters because...
Why weather matters	Idea: weather affects travel and sport Example / detail: Extra idea: extreme weather can be dangerous Detail / example:	☐ One reason is... ☐ For example,... ☐ This can affect...
Limits or doubts	Concern: forecasts are not always correct Why / effect: Another point: people cannot control the weather Possible response:	☐ However,... ☐ It is true that... ☐ Even so,...
Final view	My opinion: Closing message: how should people respond to weather changes?	☐ In my view,... ☐ Overall,... ☐ People should...

Write your article

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