



Transport and Travel

Essay planning bank: school trips abroad

Exam-style essay task

Your class has recently discussed whether schools should organise trips abroad. Your teacher has asked you to write an essay giving your opinion about this topic.

In your essay, you should discuss both sides of the argument and give your own view.

Here are some comments from students to help you:

'Students experience different cultures.'

'They make language learning real.'

'Trips can be too expensive.'

'Travel can be stressful to organise.'

Now write an essay for your teacher.

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

Write about 120 to 160 words.

Planning

Use the comments to organise your essay. Add reasons, examples and a clear opinion.

Section	Ideas / Useful language	Linking phrases to tick
Introduction	Context: school trips abroad can connect travel with learning Issue: whether schools should organise them My overall view:	☐ Recently,... ☐ The question is whether... ☐ I believe that...
Argument in favour	Idea: students can experience different cultures Reason / example: Extra idea: trips may make language learning more real Detail / example:	☐ One clear benefit is... ☐ As a result,... ☐ This could help...
Argument against	Concern: trips can be expensive Why / effect: Extra point: Possible balance:	☐ A possible concern is... ☐ Even so,... ☐ This might mean that...
My view	My opinion: Best solution: schools should offer trips abroad only when costs and learning aims are carefully planned Reason:	☐ In my opinion,... ☐ A balanced solution would be... ☐ This would allow...
Conclusion	Final judgement: Closing sentence:	☐ Overall,... ☐ For these reasons,... ☐ The most sensible view is...

Write your essay

Write an essay for your teacher. Discuss both sides, give examples and make your own opinion clear.

Essay title _____

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Essay planning bank: public transport

Exam-style essay task

Your class has recently discussed whether people should use public transport more often. Your teacher has asked you to write an essay giving your opinion about this topic.

In your essay, you should discuss both sides of the argument and give your own view.

Here are some comments from students to help you:

'It can reduce traffic.'

'It is better for the environment.'

'Buses are not always reliable.'

'Cars are more convenient for families.'

Now write an essay for your teacher.

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

Write about 120 to 160 words.

Planning

Use the comments to organise your essay. Add reasons, examples and a clear opinion.

Section	Ideas / Useful language	Linking phrases to tick
Introduction	Context: transport choices affect traffic, pollution and daily routines Issue: whether people should use public transport more My overall view:	☐ Some people believe... ☐ This essay will consider... ☐ In my view,...
Argument in favour	Idea: public transport can reduce traffic Reason / example: Extra idea: it may be better for the environment Detail / example:	☐ One argument in favour is... ☐ For example,... ☐ This means that...
Argument against	Concern: buses and trains are not always reliable Why / effect: Extra point: Possible balance:	☐ On the other hand,... ☐ However,... ☐ This can lead to...
My view	My opinion: Best solution: public transport use should increase where services are affordable and dependable Reason:	☐ I partly agree because... ☐ The best approach would be... ☐ Instead of...
Conclusion	Final judgement: Closing sentence:	☐ Overall,... ☐ Therefore,... ☐ To conclude,...

Write your essay

Write an essay for your teacher. Discuss both sides, give examples and make your own opinion clear.

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Essay planning bank: travelling young

Exam-style essay task

Your class has recently discussed whether young people should travel more before they start work. Your teacher has asked you to write an essay giving your opinion about this topic.

In your essay, you should discuss both sides of the argument and give your own view.

Here are some comments from students to help you:

'Travel builds independence.'

'People learn about other cultures.'

'It can be expensive.'

'Starting work early may be more useful.'

Now write an essay for your teacher.

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

Write about 120 to 160 words.

Planning

Use the comments to organise your essay. Add reasons, examples and a clear opinion.

Section	Ideas / Useful language	Linking phrases to tick
Introduction	Context: travel can offer experiences that are different from school or work Issue: whether young people should travel before beginning a career My overall view:	☐ Recently,... ☐ The question is whether... ☐ I believe that...
Argument in favour	Idea: travel can build independence Reason / example: Extra idea: people may learn about other cultures Detail / example:	☐ One clear benefit is... ☐ As a result,... ☐ This could help...
Argument against	Concern: travel can be expensive Why / effect: Extra point: Possible balance:	☐ A possible concern is... ☐ Even so,... ☐ This might mean that...
My view	My opinion: Best solution: young people should travel if it is affordable and linked to personal growth Reason:	☐ In my opinion,... ☐ A balanced solution would be... ☐ This would allow...
Conclusion	Final judgement: Closing sentence:	☐ Overall,... ☐ For these reasons,... ☐ The most sensible view is...

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Essay planning bank: cycling in towns

Exam-style essay task

Your class has recently discussed whether towns should make cycling easier and safer. Your teacher has asked you to write an essay giving your opinion about this topic.

In your essay, you should discuss both sides of the argument and give your own view.

Here are some comments from students to help you:

'Cycling is healthy.'

'It reduces pollution.'

'Roads can be dangerous.'

'Not everyone can cycle long distances.'

Now write an essay for your teacher.

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

Write about 120 to 160 words.

Planning

Use the comments to organise your essay. Add reasons, examples and a clear opinion.

Section	Ideas / Useful language	Linking phrases to tick
Introduction	Context: cycling can be a practical form of everyday transport Issue: whether towns should support it more My overall view:	☐ Some people believe... ☐ This essay will consider... ☐ In my view,...
Argument in favour	Idea: cycling is healthy Reason / example: Extra idea: it can reduce pollution Detail / example:	☐ One argument in favour is... ☐ For example,... ☐ This means that...
Argument against	Concern: roads can be dangerous Why / effect: Extra point: Possible balance:	☐ On the other hand,... ☐ However,... ☐ This can lead to...
My view	My opinion: Best solution: towns should build safer cycling routes while keeping other transport options available Reason:	☐ I partly agree because... ☐ The best approach would be... ☐ Instead of...
Conclusion	Final judgement: Closing sentence:	☐ Overall,... ☐ Therefore,... ☐ To conclude,...

Write your essay

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