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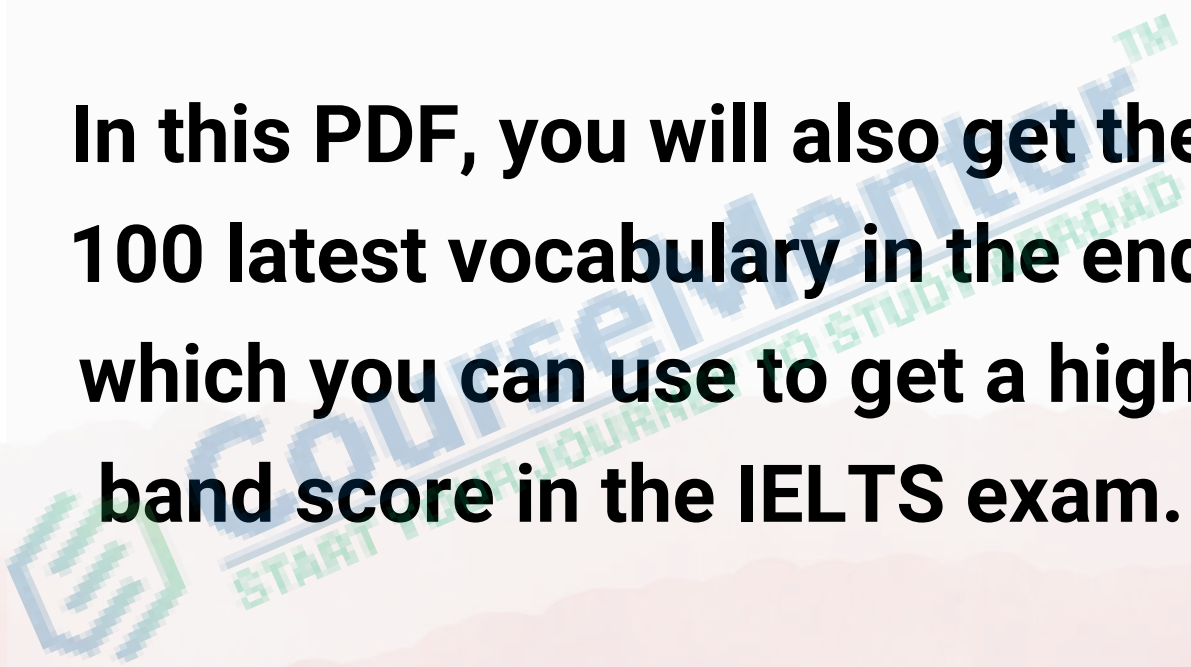
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- 31. Some people believe that music should be taught in school, while others think it is best to focus on computer and science. What is your opinion?**
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- How true do you think this statement is?**
 - What measures can governments take to discourage people from owning cars?**
- 36. Some countries have legal ages at which people can drink. Other countries believe not having strict laws is a better policy. Discuss both sides and give your own opinion.**

- 37. Some people think that social networking sites have a huge negative impact on both individuals and society. To what extent do you agree or disagree?**
- 38. Online currencies have become more common in recent years.**
- Why is this?**
 - Is this a positive or negative development?**
- 39. As the number of cars increases, more money has to be spent on road systems. Some people think the government should pay for this. Others, however, think that drivers should cover the costs. Discuss both views and give your opinion.**
- 40. Many people today would argue that cinemas are becoming irrelevant due to new streaming services. To what extent do you agree or disagree?**
- 41. Some people say that to prevent illness and disease, governments should focus more on reducing environmental pollution and housing problems. To what extent do you agree or disagree?**

42. Some people believe that children of all ages should have extra responsibilities (for example, helping at home or at work). Others believe that, outside of school, children should be free to enjoy their lives. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

43. In recent years, there has been growing interest in the relationship between equality and personal achievement. Some people believe that individuals can achieve more in egalitarian societies. Others believe that high levels of personal achievement are possible only if individuals are free to succeed or fail according to their individual merits. Discuss both sides and give your own opinion.

44. Doing an enjoyable activity with a child can be better for their overall skills development and creativity than reading. To what extent do you agree?

45. Learning at university would be more effective if men and women were educated separately. To what extent do you agree or disagree?
46. Some people believe more actions can be taken to prevent crime, while others think that little can be done. Discuss both sides and give your own opinion.
47. Some argue that patriotism is the primary cause of wars globally. Others feel that it serves to prevent less ethical politicians from running a country and starting wars. Discuss both views and give your opinion.
48. Some feel that punishment should focus more on rehabilitation instead of long prison terms. Others feel prison terms are important for social stability. Discuss both sides and give your opinion.
49. Some young people like to copy the behaviour and clothes of famous people today.
- Why might this be the case?
 - What problems can it cause?

50. Today, many people use the internet and smartphones to transfer money to friends, family, and businesses. Is this a positive or negative development?

51. Some feel that individuals should try to assimilate completely to the country where they live while others feel it is more important to preserve their native culture. Discuss both sides and give your opinion.

52. In some parts of the world traditional festivals and celebrations have disappeared or are disappearing.

- What problems is this causing?**
- What measures could be taken to counter this situation?**

53. Some people today have argued that countries should interfere less in the affairs of other nations. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

54. Advanced technology has brought many beneficial changes to the world. However, some old people today struggle with the use of technologies such as mobile phones and the Internet.

- How can the elderly benefit from using advanced technologies?**
- How can the elderly be encouraged to use consumer electronics more often?**

55. The use of social media is replacing face to face interaction among many people in society. Do you think that the advantages outweigh the disadvantages?

Topic 1

Some people think reading stories in books is better than watching TV or playing computer games for children. To what extent do you agree or disagree? (Education)

Particularly in relation to children's education, there is ongoing discussion about the relative advantages of reading stories from books as opposed to watching TV or playing video games. While some contend that reading fiction in books is preferable, all kinds of media have advantages, so it's important to strike a balance.

The fact that reading stories in books encourages literacy and language abilities is one of the key justifications for doing so. Reading exposes kids to a variety of vocabulary, syntax, and sentence structures that can help them get better at language. Reading stories from books can also encourage a love of literature and imagination, which is good for kids' general education and growth.

On the other hand, there are certain educational advantages to watching TV and playing video games. Children can be introduced to interesting and interactive new ideas, such as arithmetic, science, and history, through TV programmes and educational games, for instance. These media types can also aid in the development of hand-eye coordination, critical thinking, and problem-solving abilities.

However, it's crucial to remember that too much exposure to TV and video games can have a bad impact on a child's physical and mental health, leading to issues like inactivity, restless sleep, and attention issues, among others.

In conclusion, reading books to children is an important part of their education, but it shouldn't be their only exposure to media. Children can benefit from a well-rounded education and growth with a combination of reading stories in books, watching TV, and playing video games. The amount of time and the content that children are exposed to in various media should be monitored and controlled by parents and educators.

Topic 2

The government should spend money promoting sports and art in schools rather than sponsoring professional sports and art events in communities. To what extent do you agree or disagree? (Government).

It is difficult to decide whether the government should spend money on professional sports and art events in communities or on promoting sports and art in schools.

On the one hand, a nation's future depends on investing in the education and development of its youth. By granting pupils access to sports and art programmes in schools, the government may aid students in the development of crucial qualities like teamwork, creativity, and discipline.

Additionally, encouraging sports and the arts in the classroom can improve academic achievement and lower the dropout rate.

On the other hand, supporting cultural events like professional sports and the arts might be advantageous. These gatherings foster a sense of

community, foster intergenerational interaction, and provide local athletes and artists a chance to display their skills. Community athletic and artistic activities can also have an economic impact by drawing tourists and bringing in money for nearby businesses.

It might be argued that there are benefits to both encouraging sports and art in schools and financing professional sports and art events in local areas. The government should aim to balance spending on both areas rather than favouring one over the other to maximise the social advantages.

In conclusion, while encouraging sports and the arts in schools is important for young people's development, supporting professional sports and the arts events in local communities also has advantages. To guarantee that society can profit from both of their beneficial consequences, the government should work to maintain a balance in its spending on both areas.

Topic 3

Some people say that playing computer games is bad for children in every aspect. Others say that playing computer games can positively affect how children develop. Discuss both views and give your opinion. (Education)

The topic of whether playing computer games is good or bad for children is a highly debated one. Some argue that playing computer games can negatively affect children's development, causing addiction, reducing physical activity, and leading to poor academic performance. However, others say that playing computer games can positively impact children's skills, such as improving hand-eye coordination, problem-solving skills, and cognitive development.

It is important to note that the effects of computer games on children can vary depending on the type of game and how it is played. Some violent or highly addictive games can negatively affect children's behaviour and mental health.

However, educational games or games that promote teamwork and critical thinking can positively impact children's development.

In conclusion, the effects of computer games on children can be positive and negative depending on the game and the way it is played. Therefore, it is essential for parents and caregivers to monitor the type of games children are playing and to set limits on the amount of time spent playing. In addition, it's recommended that children play games in moderation and balance it with other activities such as physical exercise, social interaction, and academic study.

Topic 4

In some countries, secondary schools aim to provide a general education across various subjects. In others, children focus on a narrow range of issues related to a particular career. Which is appropriate in today's world?

(Education)

Secondary schools are better suited to providing a general education over a wide range of courses in today's world, which is changing quickly and becoming more complex.

One of the main causes of this is that the economy and job market are continually changing, making it challenging to foresee what precise knowledge and abilities will be in demand in the future. Students will have a wider range of information and abilities that will be valuable in any vocation if they receive a general education that covers a variety of courses. They will be better able to adjust to changes in the work market and be more prepared to pursue a variety of occupations as a result.

Additionally, a general education can aid students

in acquiring crucial soft skills like creativity, problem-solving, and critical thinking, which are highly valued by employers in a variety of industries. Students can be exposed to a variety of viewpoints and ideas through public education, which can make them more well-rounded people and better citizens.

On the other hand, narrowing a student's alternatives and decreasing their ability to adapt to changes in the labour market can result from a career-related focus. Additionally, students who concentrate on a small number of subjects may benefit from the chance to acquire a wide variety of abilities and knowledge that may be used in a variety of contexts.

In conclusion, providing a general education covering a variety of topics is more appropriate in today's society, even while concentrating on a small range of courses pertaining to a particular job may have its merits. It enables students to acquire a wider variety of expertise and abilities that will benefit them in any line of work and make them more flexible and all-around individuals.

Topic 5

In some countries, waste materials are not recycled (e.g., paper, glass, and cans). What are the reasons and solutions? (Environment)

Recycling waste products including paper, glass, and cans is required in several nations. Due to the potential for environmental harm, resource depletion, and financial consequences, this is a serious issue.

One of the main reasons for this lack of recycling is a need for more awareness and education about the importance of recycling and the proper methods. Many people may need help understanding the benefits of recycling or may be unsure how to recycle different materials properly.

Another reason for the lack of recycling is the need for more infrastructure and facilities for recycling in certain areas. People may be less likely to recycle their waste materials without access to convenient and reliable recycling facilities.

To address this problem, the government and private sector can work together to implement solutions such as increasing public education and awareness campaigns about the importance of recycling and how to do it properly.

Additionally, they can invest in developing recycling infrastructure and facilities, such as building more recycling centres and providing more collection services for recyclable materials. Moreover, incentives and regulations can be implemented to encourage companies to produce more environmentally-friendly products and reduce their waste generation.

In conclusion, there are several reasons for the lack of recycling of waste materials in some countries, including a lack of awareness and education about the importance of recycling and the lack of infrastructure and facilities. To address this problem, a combination of education, infrastructure development, and regulations is needed.

Topic 6

Advertising discourages people from being different by making us all want to do the same and look the same. To what extent do you agree or disagree? (Media)

I agree that advertising can discourage people from being different by promoting specific beauty standards, lifestyles, and consumption.

Advertising often depicts a narrow range of ideals, such as physical beauty, material possessions, and social status, that people are encouraged to strive for. This can lead to a sense of pressure and conformity, as people may feel that they must conform to these ideals to be accepted by society.

However, advertising can also be a powerful tool for promoting diversity and individuality. For example, some advertisements feature individuals from different backgrounds and cultures, promoting the idea that everyone is unique and special in their way. Furthermore, some advertisements can encourage people to be creative, think outside the box, and explore new products and services.

In conclusion, while advertising can discourage people from being different by promoting certain ideals, it can also be a powerful tool for promoting diversity and individuality. It's essential to be aware of the messages being conveyed in advertising and question whether they promote acceptance and diversity or conformity and homogeneity.



Topic 7

It has been suggested that all young adults should be required to undertake unpaid work helping people in the community. Would the drawbacks outweigh the benefits to the community and young adults? (Social)

The idea that all young adults should be compelled to perform unpaid community service is a complicated one with both advantages and disadvantages.

One potential benefit is that it can help young adults develop essential life skills such as responsibility, empathy, and a sense of community. By working with people in the community, young adults can gain a deeper understanding of society's issues and learn how to make a positive impact. It can also provide young adults with valuable work experience and give them a sense of purpose and direction.

However, there are also potential drawbacks to this suggestion. One drawback is that it may be seen as forced labour, and young adults may feel resentful or demotivated if compelled to do unpaid work. Additionally, some young adults may need help to afford outstanding jobs, especially if they are already struggling financially. Furthermore, it could also take away opportunities from those actively seeking paid employment in their fields.

In conclusion, while mandating all young adults to complete a period of unpaid community service could potentially have advantages, such as helping them develop crucial life skills, it could also potentially have disadvantages. The choice to enact such a mandate should be carefully reviewed in light of the potential advantages and disadvantages. Alternative solutions, such as promoting volunteer work and offering rewards to young adults who want to volunteer, should also be taken into account.

Topic 8

Many people nowadays don't feel safe when they are at home or going out. What are the reasons? What can we do to solve this problem? (Social)

Today, many individuals experience a lack of safety both within their homes and outside; this is a serious issue that can negatively affect people's physical and mental health.

There are several reasons for this lack of safety. One reason is the increase in crime rates, particularly in urban areas. This can include issues such as property crime, violent crime, and drug-related crime. The rise of social media and other digital platforms has also contributed to feelings of insecurity by making it easier for criminals to target victims and spreading misinformation and fear.

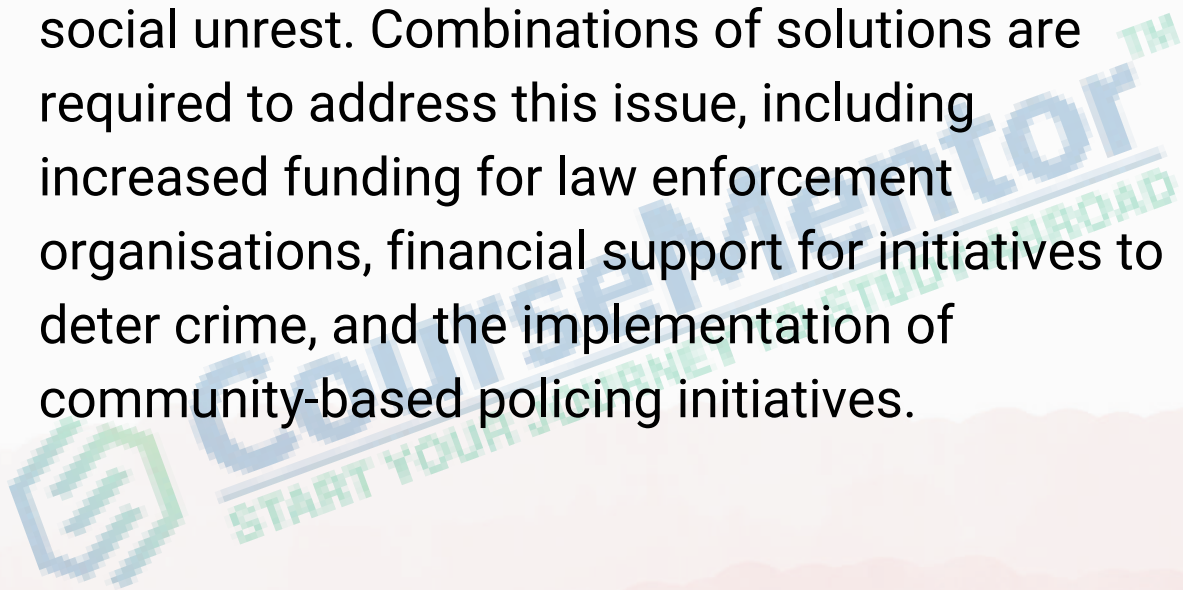
Another reason is the lack of trust in the criminal justice system and law enforcement. People may feel that the system needs to protect them adequately or that the police must be more responsive to their concerns. Furthermore, political

and social instability, economic downturns, and high levels of unemployment can also contribute to a general sense of insecurity and fear.

To solve this problem, several solutions can be implemented, such as increasing funding for law enforcement agencies and providing training and support to enable them to respond better to community concerns. Additionally, governments can invest in programs that reduce crime and increase community safety. For example, this can include investing in education and job training programs and increasing funding for mental health services.

Furthermore, community-based policing programs can be implemented where police officers are assigned to specific neighbourhoods and work with community members to address local concerns and build trust.

In conclusion, a lot of individuals nowadays don't feel safe, whether they're at home or out and about. This issue has a negative impact on people's physical and emotional health. This lack of safety is caused by a number of factors, including rising crime rates, a loss of confidence in the criminal justice system, and political and social unrest. Combinations of solutions are required to address this issue, including increased funding for law enforcement organisations, financial support for initiatives to deter crime, and the implementation of community-based policing initiatives.



Topic 9

Because of city traffic and housing problems, the government encourages businesses to move to rural areas. Do the advantages outweigh the disadvantages? (Government)

It is complicated, with both benefits and drawbacks, to decide if the government should promote enterprises to relocate to rural areas as a solution to the housing and traffic issues in urban areas.

One advantage of encouraging businesses to move to rural areas is that it can help alleviate city traffic and housing problems. By relocating firms to rural areas, the government can reduce the number of people commuting to the city for work, which can reduce traffic congestion and pollution. Additionally, by relocating businesses to rural areas, the government can reduce the demand for housing in the cities, which can help keep housing prices affordable.

Another advantage of encouraging businesses to

move to rural areas is that it can help create jobs and stimulate economic growth. This can help reduce poverty and improve living standards in rural areas. Furthermore, it can also help to diversify the economy and reduce the dependency on the city centres.

However, there are drawbacks to promoting corporate relocation to rural areas. One disadvantage is that it may cause a brain drain, as talented and skilled persons move from cities to work in rural areas, harming the urban economy. The requirement for additional infrastructure, such as transportation and internet connectivity, might make it challenging for firms to relocate to remote locations.

In conclusion, while encouraging businesses to move to the rural areas as a solution to traffic and housing problems in the cities can have advantages, such as alleviating traffic and housing problems, creating jobs, and stimulating economic growth in rural areas, it also has disadvantages, such as brain drain and lack of infrastructure.

The government should carefully weigh the advantages and disadvantages before implementing such a policy and consider alternative solutions, such as investing in public transportation, affordable housing, and telecommunication infrastructure, as well as providing financial incentives to businesses that relocate to rural areas.



Topic 10

**Older people who need employment have to compete with younger people. What problem does this cause, and what are the solutions?
(Social)**

The competition between young and older people looking for the same employer has grown recently. There are certain unfavourable effects, so action must be taken to address this issue.

The problem caused by older people having to compete with younger people for employment is that older workers may face age discrimination and may be viewed as less capable or less willing to adapt to new technologies and job requirements. Additionally, older workers may have a more challenging time competing with younger workers with lower salary expectations.

Possible solutions to this problem includes we are implementing anti-discrimination laws and policies to protect older workers from age discrimination in the workplace.

They provide training and education opportunities for older workers to update their skills and knowledge. They are encouraging employers to adopt flexible working arrangements, such as part-time or job-sharing, to allow older workers to continue working while caring for elderly parents or other family members. They offer employers incentives to hire and retain older workers, such as tax breaks or subsidies. They are encouraging older workers to start their businesses or become self-employed, which can give them more control over their work and career paths.



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Topic 11

Some people think using mobile phones and computers hurts young people's reading and writing skills. To what extent do you agree or disagree? (Technology)

I believe that using computers and mobile phones can, in certain cases, negatively impact young people's ability to read and write.

On the one hand, constant access to mobile phones and computers can lead to distractions and a lack of focus, making it harder for young people to read and write effectively. Additionally, the constant use of text-based communication, such as messaging and social media, can deteriorate formal writing skills, such as grammar and punctuation.

On the other hand, mobile phones and computers can also positively affect young people's reading and writing skills. They can provide access to a

wide range of information and resources, such as online books, articles, and educational videos, which can help to improve reading comprehension and writing abilities. Additionally, using word processing software can help improve spelling, grammar, and organisation skills.

In conclusion, it's crucial to acknowledge both the possible drawbacks of technology as well as the positive effects that it can have on children's reading and writing abilities. The greatest strategy would therefore be to maintain a balance while utilising technology to advance reading and writing abilities. In order to ensure that technology aids in young people's language development, educators and parents should also monitor and guide how they use it.

Topic 12

Some working parents believe child care centres can provide the best care for children, while others think family members like grandparents can do it better. Discuss both views and give your opinion. (Education)

Working parents may have various perspectives on who can give their children the finest care; some may think daycare centres are the best alternative. Others, on the other hand, believe close relatives like grandparents may perform the task better.

On the one hand, childcare centres provide a professional and structured environment for children to learn and grow. They are usually staffed by trained and qualified caregivers who can offer various activities and educational opportunities for children to develop their physical, social, and cognitive skills. Additionally, childcare centres usually follow strict health and safety guidelines and have established protocols for dealing with emergencies.

However, family members like grandparents can give kids a more individualised and loving atmosphere. They frequently get along well with their grandchildren. They can provide the kids with a sense of security and comfort that may be difficult to obtain in a daycare facility. Having grandparents care for your children can also save you money because you won't have to pay for daycare.

In my opinion, both options have their advantages and disadvantages. It depends on the family's needs and preferences. Childcare centres can offer a professional and structured environment that can help children develop important skills and knowledge, while family members such as grandparents can provide a more personalised and nurturing environment that can help children feel safe and secure. Ultimately, the best option will depend on the specific needs and circumstances of the family. It would be ideal to find a balance between the two. For example, grandparents or other family members can take

care of the child during the day, and the child could attend a childcare centre for a few hours a day for socializing and learning. This way, the child can benefit from the best of both worlds.



Topic 13

Some people think that the government should ban dangerous sports, but others believe people should be free to choose sports activities.

Discuss both views and give your opinion.

(Government)

There are strong arguments for both sides of the debate over whether or not the government should outlaw risky sports.

On the one hand, some people contend that the government should outlaw risky sports to safeguard the security and wellbeing of players.

These risky sports, including skydiving, rock climbing, and auto racing, have the potential to result in severe injury or death. The government could avoid avoidable accidents and save lives by outlawing these sports.

Others, on the other hand, contend that people should have the freedom to select the sporting activities they take part in. Certain sports would be violated by a ban, and the industries that depend on them would suffer economically as a result.

Additionally, many people find great personal fulfilment and enjoyment in participating in these sports, and banning them would take away that opportunity.

In my opinion, the government has a responsibility to ensure the safety of its citizens, but it should not necessarily ban dangerous sports. Instead, it should regulate them and ensure that safety measures are in place, such as proper training, safety equipment, and emergency response teams. Also, the government can raise awareness of the risks and educate participants on how to safely engage in these activities. This way, people are still able to make their own choices about which sports they participate in while also being protected from unnecessary harm.

Topic 13

An increasing number of people are changing their careers. What are the reasons? Do you think it is positive or negative? (Work)

A rising number of people are changing occupations for a variety of reasons. The following are some of the key causes:

Job dissatisfaction: Many people may not be happy with their current job or career and may be looking for something more fulfilling or with a better work-life balance.

Economic factors: Economic downturns or changes in industries can lead to job loss or limited opportunities, which may force people to consider other career options.

Technological advancements: Automation and other technological advancements can make certain jobs obsolete, leading people to seek new career paths.

Personal development: Some people may be looking for new challenges or to develop new skills, leading them to change their careers.

The desire for a better salary or benefits: Some people may change their careers to pursue higher-paying jobs or jobs that offer better benefits like health insurance or retirement plans.

I believe that the tendency of shifting careers can have both positive and bad effects. On the one hand, switching occupations can open up fresh possibilities for both professional and personal advancement and can support the workforce's continued dynamism and adaptability. On the other side, a person's ability to attain long-term career goals may be hampered by frequent job changes, which can cause instability and uncertainty. It's critical that individuals thoroughly consider their options and come to a decision that is consistent with their long-term objectives and desires.

Topic 14

In many countries today, both men and women need to work full-time. Therefore, some people think men and women should share household tasks equally (e.g., cleaning and looking after children). To what extent do you agree or disagree? (Social)

To some extent, I believe that men and women should share home responsibilities equally.

On the one hand, it is only fair that both men and women contribute to the domestic tasks and child-rearing duties given that they both need to work full-time. This will guarantee that the load of household duties is distributed equitably and stop one partner from feeling overburdened or exploited. Additionally, it provides kids with a positive role model and teaches them the value of cooperation and teamwork.

On the other hand, it's vital to keep in mind that various people may have different preferences, skills, or abilities and that some tasks may be

better suited to one gender than the other. It's crucial that couples can talk about what works best for them as a pair, make that decision together, and accept one another's decisions and obligations.

In conclusion, I think that men and women should equally share home duties and parenting obligations, but it's also critical to be adaptable and take into account the particular circumstances of each person and each household. All members of the family will experience greater fulfilment and respect as a result, and the home will run more smoothly and stress-free.

Topic 15

Children's education is expensive. In some countries, the government pays some or all of the costs. Do the advantages outweigh its disadvantages? (Education)

The question of whether the benefits of the government covering some or all of the costs of a child's education outweigh the drawbacks is complicated, and both sides have good points to make.

On the one hand, there are a number of benefits to having the government foot the bill for part or all of a child's school fees. One of the key benefits is that it may increase access to education for low-income families and kids from underprivileged backgrounds. By doing this, we can lessen social and economic inequality and provide kids better chances in the future. The government can also contribute to the country's overall economic and social development by making investments in education.

On the other hand, there are also some disadvantages to the government paying for some or all of the costs of children's education. One of the main disadvantages is that it can be expensive and strain government finances. Additionally, government-funded education may also lead to a lack of competition among schools, leading to a decrease in the quality of education.

The advantages of the government paying for some or all of the costs of children's education can outweigh its disadvantages, but it depends on the implementation of the system. The government should make sure to allocate funds efficiently and provide oversight and accountability to make sure that the money is being used effectively. Additionally, it should also ensure that the education system remains competitive so that schools continue to strive to provide high-quality education.

Topic 16

Towns and cities are attractive places. Some people suggest that the government should spend money putting in more works of art like paintings and statues to make them better to live in. To what extent do you agree or disagree? (Culture)

I agree that towns and cities should have more works of art like paintings and statues but to some extent.

On the one hand, adding more works of art to towns and cities can make them more attractive places to live. These works of art can add beauty and culture to the environment and can make the town or city more interesting and unique.

Additionally, works of art can also serve as a source of pride for the community and can attract tourists to the area, which can be beneficial for the local economy.

On the other hand, the government should

consider other factors before spending money on putting in more works of art. For example, the government should make sure to prioritise the needs of its citizens, such as providing affordable housing, healthcare, and education. Additionally, the government should also consider the cost-effectiveness of putting in more works of art, as it may not always be the best use of public funds.

In conclusion, I believe that towns and cities should have more works of art, but the government should consider other factors before spending money on them. The government should make sure that the needs of its citizens are met and that the money is being spent in a cost-effective way. By finding a balance between these factors, the government can ensure that towns and cities are not only more attractive places to live but also more livable for their citizens.

Topic 17

Some people believe that the best way to build a happier society is to ensure that there are only small differences between the richest and the poorest members. To what extent do you agree or disagree? (Society)

I agree that reducing the gap between the richest and poorest members can help to build a happier society to some extent.

On the one hand, having a large gap between the richest and poorest members of society can lead to social and economic inequality, which can cause a number of problems such as poverty, crime, and lack of access to education and healthcare. When there are small differences between the richest and poorest, it can create a more cohesive and fair society where everyone has access to the same opportunities and resources.

On the other hand, it's important to consider that having a gap between the richest and poorest can also have its benefits. For example, it can create

incentives for people to work hard and be successful, and it can also provide opportunities for those at the bottom to move up the economic ladder. Additionally, if the gap is too small, it can lead to a lack of innovation and economic growth, as individuals and companies may not have the same incentives to invest and create new opportunities.

In conclusion, I believe that reducing the gap between the richest and poorest members of society can help to build a happier society, but it's important to find a balance between ensuring fair distribution of resources and opportunities and providing incentives for growth and success. The government should implement policies that aim to reduce poverty and inequality while also promoting economic growth and opportunities for all citizens.

Topic 18

The best way for the government to solve traffic congestion is to provide free public transport 24 hours a day and seven days a week. To what extent do you agree or disagree? (Government)

I agree that offering free public transportation every day and every night can be an efficient way to reduce traffic, but there are other variables to take into account as well as the particular setting.

On the one hand, encouraging people to use public transportation rather than driving a car can help reduce the number of cars on the road and, in turn, ease traffic congestion. For those who would not be able to afford personal transportation, such as the elderly, the disabled, and low-income persons, it can also increase accessibility and mobility.

On the other hand, it's crucial to take into account whether offering free public transportation every day of the week would be logistically and

financially feasible. Public transportation can be expensive to run, and the government may not be able to afford to give it for free. There can also be practical difficulties, such as making sure there are enough vehicles and qualified employees available to run the service.

In conclusion, I concur that offering free public transportation every day and every night can be an efficient way to reduce traffic, but the government should first take into account the logistical and financial viability of this idea. Other options that the government should take into account include promoting carpooling, boosting bike lanes, and investing in technology like traffic lights that can adjust to changing traffic patterns and ease congestion.

Topic 19

In many countries, people can buy a wide range of household goods (for example, TV, microwave ovens, and rice cookers). Is it a positive or negative development? (Social)

The opportunity to purchase a variety of household items, such as TVs, microwaves, and rice cookers, can be a good thing, but it also has drawbacks.

On the one hand, the availability of a wide range of household goods can improve the quality of life for many people. These items can make daily tasks, such as cooking and cleaning, more efficient and convenient. Additionally, the availability of these goods can also stimulate economic growth and create job opportunities for the manufacturing and retail industries.

On the other hand, the easy access to household items may not always be a desirable thing.

Consumer debt and waste may rise as a result of the ongoing need to upgrade and replace these things. The mass manufacture of these products may also have detrimental effects on the environment, such as pollution and the depletion of natural resources.

In conclusion, I believe that the ability to buy a wide range of household goods can be a positive development, but it's important to consider its negative aspects as well. The government should promote sustainable consumption and responsible production to minimise the negative impact on the environment while also encouraging consumers to be mindful of their purchases and their impact on their finances.

Topic 20

Some people believe people cannot solve environmental problems, whereas others believe individuals are responsible for solving environmental problems. Discuss both views and give your own.

The debate over whether individuals or society as a whole is responsible for solving environmental problems is a complex one. Some argue that environmental issues, such as climate change and pollution, are so significant that only governments and large organisations have the resources and power to address them effectively. Others argue that individuals can and should play a key role in solving environmental problems through their actions and by pressuring governments and organisations to take action.

One argument for individuals being responsible for solving environmental problems is that everyday actions, such as reducing energy consumption, using public transportation, and supporting sustainable products, can have a significant impact when done on a large scale.

Additionally, individuals can use their consumer power to demand more sustainable products and practices from companies and vote for politicians who prioritise environmental issues.

On the other hand, some argue that the most pressing environmental problems, such as climate change and deforestation, are caused by industrial and economic systems beyond individual actions' control. It would require a coordinated effort of governments, organizations, and society to address these issues.

In conclusion, individuals and society have a role to play in solving environmental problems.

Governments, organizations, and individuals all have the power to make positive changes, but they must work together to create meaningful and lasting solutions.

Topic 21

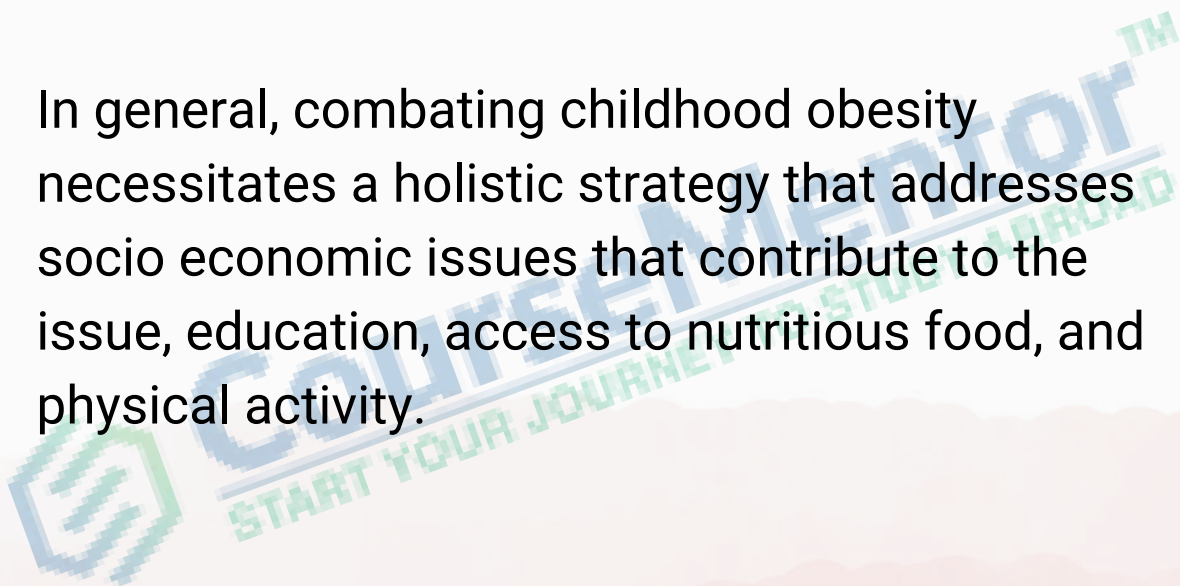
Childhood obesity is a serious problem in many countries. What are the causes of this? What solutions can be offered?

In many nations, childhood obesity is a serious issue that can negatively affect a child's physical and mental health. Childhood obesity has many reasons, such as a diet high in processed and fast meals, a lack of physical activity, and a lack of knowledge about exercise and healthy nutrition.

Increasing accessibility to physical activity, such as through after-school sports programmes and local leisure centres, can help combat childhood obesity. Increasing access to fresh produce and educating people about making good food choices are two other ways to encourage healthy eating. Parents and other adults who provide care for children might also be inspired to set an example by following a healthy diet and exercise routine.

Addressing underlying socio economic issues like poverty and a lack of access to healthy food options that may lead to childhood obesity is also crucial. For low-income families, government initiatives like subsidies for fresh fruits and vegetables can help make healthful meals more accessible.

In general, combating childhood obesity necessitates a holistic strategy that addresses socio economic issues that contribute to the issue, education, access to nutritious food, and physical activity.



Topic 22

Today, many people do not know their neighbours in large cities. What problems does this cause? What can be done about this?

In large cities, it is increasingly common for people not to know their neighbours. This can lead to several problems, including a lack of community cohesion, increased feelings of isolation and loneliness, and a lack of trust and safety in the neighbourhood.

One of the leading causes of this lack of neighbourly connection is the fast pace of life and busy schedules in urban areas, which can make it difficult for people to find the time to socialise and get to know one another.

Additionally, the anonymity of living in large apartment buildings and high-rise developments can also contribute to this problem.

To address this issue, a few things can be done. One solution is to create opportunities for people to come together and interact, such as through

community events and gatherings. This can include block parties, neighbourhood clean-ups, and more structured activities like book clubs and sports teams. Another solution is to encourage more active and inclusive community engagement by building shared spaces, such as community gardens, parks, and play areas that can be used by all residents, fostering social interactions and neighbourly connections.

Additionally, the use of technology, such as online community forums and social media groups, can also be leveraged to connect people living in the same area and help them to get to know one another.

Overall, addressing the problem of not knowing one's neighbours in large cities requires a multifaceted approach that includes creating opportunities for social interaction, building shared spaces, and using technology to facilitate communication and connection.

Topic 23

Despite the advances made in agriculture, many people still go hungry. Why is this the case? What can be done about this problem?

Despite the advances made in agriculture, many people still go hungry. There are several reasons why this is the case, including poverty, lack of access to land, and lack of infrastructure and resources to grow food. In addition, political instability and conflict, as well as natural disasters, can also contribute to food insecurity.

Another reason is the unequal distribution of wealth and resources, which means that many of the people who produce food cannot access it themselves. This is particularly true in developing countries where small-scale farmers often lack the resources and support to improve their yields.

To address this problem, there are several things that can be done. One solution is to invest in infrastructure to help farmers get their products to buyers.

small-scale farmers and rural communities by providing them with access to resources such as credit, land, and training. This can help to improve their yields and increase their income.

Another solution is to improve infrastructure and transportation systems to make it easier for farmers to get their products to market. This can be achieved by investing in roads, storage facilities, and other infrastructure that can help to connect small-scale farm.

Additionally, it is essential to address the underlying causes of poverty and inequality, such as lack of education and opportunities, which can contribute to food insecurity.

Overall, addressing the problem of hunger requires a multifaceted approach that includes investing in small-scale farmers, improving infrastructure and transportation systems, and addressing underlying causes of poverty and inequality.

Topic 24

Nowadays, many students have the opportunity to study some or all of their courses in a foreign country. Do the advantages outweigh the disadvantages?

Nowadays, a lot of students have the option of taking some or all of their classes abroad, which has both benefits and drawbacks.

On the one hand, studying abroad can be an excellent opportunity for students to experience a different culture, learn a new language, and gain a global perspective on their studies. It can also help students to become more independent, self-reliant, and open-minded. Studying abroad can also be an excellent opportunity to network and connect with people from different backgrounds.

On the other hand, studying abroad can also have its disadvantages. For example, it can be expensive in terms of tuition and living expenses. It can also be challenging to adjust to a new

environment and culture, and students may experience feelings of homesickness and isolation. Furthermore, it may be challenging to maintain relationships with friends and family back home.

Furthermore, students may face academic challenges such as language barriers, different teaching styles, and a lack of support systems.

Overall, a student's unique situation and circumstances will determine if the benefits of studying abroad outweigh the drawbacks. Before selecting to study abroad, students must carefully weigh the advantages and disadvantages.

Topic 25

Fewer schools require school children to learn and improve their handwriting skills. Do the advantages outweigh the disadvantages of this trend?

There has been a decline in the number of schools requiring kids to learn and practise handwriting in recent years. Both benefits and drawbacks apply to this tendency.

On the one hand, technology has made it easier for students to communicate and complete assignments through typing on computers and other digital devices. This can save time and make it more efficient for students to complete their work. Additionally, some argue that handwriting may not be as vital as it once was in the digital age and that focusing on computer skills and typing may be more beneficial for students in the long run.

On the other hand, there are also several disadvantages to this trend. Research has shown that handwriting helps with cognitive development and fine motor skills, which are essential for a child's overall development.

Additionally, the script can help improve memory and learning, and it may be more beneficial for children to balance handwriting and technology skills.

Furthermore, handwriting is an essential skill for personal and professional use. It is still necessary for specific jobs and situations, such as writing personal notes, signing a document, and taking notes by hand.

Overall, it depends on your point of view whether the benefits of this trend exceed the drawbacks. Although technology has made it simpler to communicate and finish tasks, it is important to take into account the advantages of handwriting skills for a child's general development and chances.

Topic 26

Some people believe that the best way to increase road safety is to increase the minimum legal age for driving cars and motorbikes . To what extent do you agree or disagree?

The issue of road safety is a significant concern, and there are various ways to approach it. Some argue that increasing the minimum legal age for driving cars and motorbikes is the best way to improve road safety. However, I can't entirely agree with this viewpoint.

On the one hand, it can be argued that increasing the minimum legal driving age could reduce the accidents caused by inexperienced drivers. Young drivers, especially teenagers, tend to be more reckless and impulsive, which can lead to accidents on the road. By raising the minimum legal age, fewer teenagers would be allowed to drive, which could decrease accidents caused by inexperienced drivers.

However, on the other hand, increasing the legal age for driving is not the most effective solution for road safety.

It could lead to a lack of mobility for those who can legally drive but cannot afford a car or other means of transportation. Additionally, raising the age limit might lead to more young people driving illegally or without proper training, which could lead to more accidents.

Furthermore, other ways to increase road safety should be considered, such as improving the road infrastructure, enforcing traffic laws, and providing driver education and training. This could include creating more dedicated bike lanes, installing speed cameras, and providing mandatory pre-licensing and ongoing training for drivers of all ages.

In conclusion, increasing the minimum legal age for driving cars and motorbikes is not the best way to improve road safety. While it could reduce the number of accidents caused by inexperienced drivers, it would not address the root causes of road accidents, and there are other more effective ways to improve road safety.

Topic 27

Many people who live in urban areas are suffering increasingly from stress. What do you think are the causes of this problem and what measures could be taken to reduce it ?

Many people who live in urban areas are suffering increasingly from stress, and this problem has several causes. One of the leading causes is the fast pace of life in urban areas, which can make it difficult for people to find time to relax and unwind. The noise and pollution associated with urban living can also contribute to stress.

Another cause is the sense of isolation and loneliness that can come with living in a crowded and anonymous city. People in urban areas may have less social support and fewer opportunities to connect with others, which can lead to feelings of isolation and stress.

Furthermore, urban areas tend to have a more intense work and study culture, which can also cause stress. This can include long working hours,

high-pressure jobs, and high competition in the job market.

To reduce stress in urban areas, there are a few things that can be done. One solution is to create more green spaces and parks in urban areas, which can provide a place for people to relax and unwind. Additionally, providing more opportunities for social interaction, such as community events and gatherings, can help to reduce feelings of isolation and loneliness.

Furthermore, employers and educational institutions should also consider providing support systems for employees and students to reduce stress and promote mental well-being. This can include counselling services, flexible work hours, and stress management workshops.

It is also essential to raise awareness about the causes and effects of stress and the importance of self-care and mental well-being. This could be done through public education campaigns and by encouraging individuals to seek help when needed.

Overall, reducing stress in urban areas requires a multifaceted approach that includes creating more green spaces and opportunities for social interaction, providing support systems, promoting mental well-being, and raising awareness about the causes and effects of stress.



Topic 28

Some shops are open 24 hours a day and 7 days a week. Do you think it is a good thing for the customers, shop staff and company as a whole?

The trend of shops being open 24 hours a day and seven days a week has both advantages and disadvantages.

From the customer's perspective, having shops open around the clock can be convenient as it allows them to shop at any time that suits them, whether late at night or early in the morning. This can be especially beneficial for people with busy schedules or those who cannot shop during regular business hours.

From the staff's perspective, working in a 24/7 shop can be challenging, as it may require working unsociable hours and may not align with their schedule. This can lead to a lack of work-life balance and burnout, negatively impacting their mental and physical health. Furthermore, it can also be challenging to recruit and retain staff to work in these conditions.

From the company's perspective, having a 24/7 operation can increase sales and customer satisfaction and provide a competitive advantage over other companies that are closed during certain hours. However, it also may lead to increased costs such as electricity, security, and staffing.

Overall, whether or not having shops open 24/7 is a good thing depends on the perspective. From the customer's point of view, it may be convenient, but from the staff's point of view, it may have negative impacts on their well-being, and from the company's point of view, it may have both benefits and drawbacks. Companies must weigh the pros and cons and consider the impact on their staff and customers before operating on a 24/7 schedule.

Topic 28

Fossil fuels are the main source of energy around the world. However, people are being encouraged to use alternative energy sources such as wind energy ,solar energy and so on. Do you think it is a positive or negative development? Why?

Alternative energy utilisation, like the use of wind and solar energy, is a development with both advantages and disadvantages.

On the positive side, using alternative energy sources can reduce the dependence on fossil fuels, which are finite resources and significant contributors to climate change. Alternative energy sources are considered renewable and have a lower carbon footprint, which can help reduce climate change's negative impacts. Additionally, using alternative energy sources can create jobs and stimulate economic growth in the renewable energy sector.

On the negative side, developing and implementing alternative energy sources can be costly and require significant investment. Additionally, the technology for alternative energy sources is not always as developed as that for fossil fuels, and it may not meet the energy demands of some regions. Furthermore, alternative energy storage and distribution can also be challenging.

Overall, while using alternative energy sources can have some negative aspects, such as cost and technological challenges, the benefits of reducing dependence on fossil fuels and decreasing the negative impacts of climate change outweigh the drawbacks. Governments and private sectors need to invest in the research and development of alternative energy sources and infrastructure to support them. It will not only help to address environmental concerns but also create new jobs and stimulate economic growth.

Topic 29

In a number of countries, some people think it is necessary to spend large sums of money on constructing new railway lines for every fast train between cities. Others believe the money should be spent on improving existing public transport. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

The use of alternative energy sources, such as wind and solar energy, is a development that has both positive and negative aspects.

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Topic 30

It is often said that governments spend too much money on projects to protect wildlife, while there are other problems. What is more important? Do you agree or disagree?

The debate about whether governments should spend money on protecting wildlife or addressing other problems is complex, and both sides have valid arguments.

On the one hand, it can be argued that protecting wildlife is crucial because it is essential for maintaining biodiversity and preserving ecosystems. Wildlife plays a critical role in maintaining the balance of nature, and the loss of species can have a domino effect on other parts of the ecosystem. Additionally, wildlife tourism can bring significant economic benefits to communities and countries.

On the other hand, other pressing problems require government funding, such as poverty, education,

and healthcare. These problems can directly impact people's well-being, and addressing them should be a priority for governments. Both protecting wildlife and addressing other problems are essential, and the government should balance its funding accordingly. Governments should prioritize spending on issues that have the most immediate and direct impact on the well-being of citizens, such as poverty, education, and healthcare. However, it is also important to recognize that protecting wildlife is essential for maintaining biodiversity and preserving ecosystems, which are critical to the planet's long-term sustainability.

In conclusion, protecting wildlife and addressing other problems are both essential, and governments should find a balance in allocating their funding accordingly. It is important to prioritize spending on issues that have the most immediate and direct impact on the well-being of citizens while also recognizing the importance of protecting wildlife to maintain biodiversity and preserve ecosystems.

Topic 30

The use of social media is replacing face-to-face interaction among many people in society. Do you think that the advantages outweigh the disadvantages?

The use of social media has revolutionised the way we interact with others, but it has also resulted in a reduction in face-to-face interactions. The question of whether the advantages of social media outweigh its disadvantages is a subject of much debate.

On the one hand, social media has many advantages. It allows people to connect with others from all over the world, making it easier to stay in touch with friends and family members who live far away. It also provides a platform for individuals to express their opinions, share information, and engage in virtual communities. Additionally, social media can be a useful tool for businesses to reach a wider audience and increase their online presence.

On the other hand, there are also several disadvantages to the use of social media. One major concern is the impact on face-to-face interactions, as many people are becoming more reliant on digital communication and less likely to engage in in-person conversations. Another issue is the negative effect that social media can have on mental health, as constant comparison to others' lives and constant exposure to negativity can lead to feelings of anxiety, depression, and low self-esteem.

In conclusion, while social media has many advantages, it is important to consider the disadvantages as well. Balancing the use of social media with face-to-face interactions, and using it in a responsible and mindful manner, can help to mitigate its negative impacts.

Topic 31

Some people believe that music should be taught in school, while others think it is best to focus on computers and science. What is your opinion?

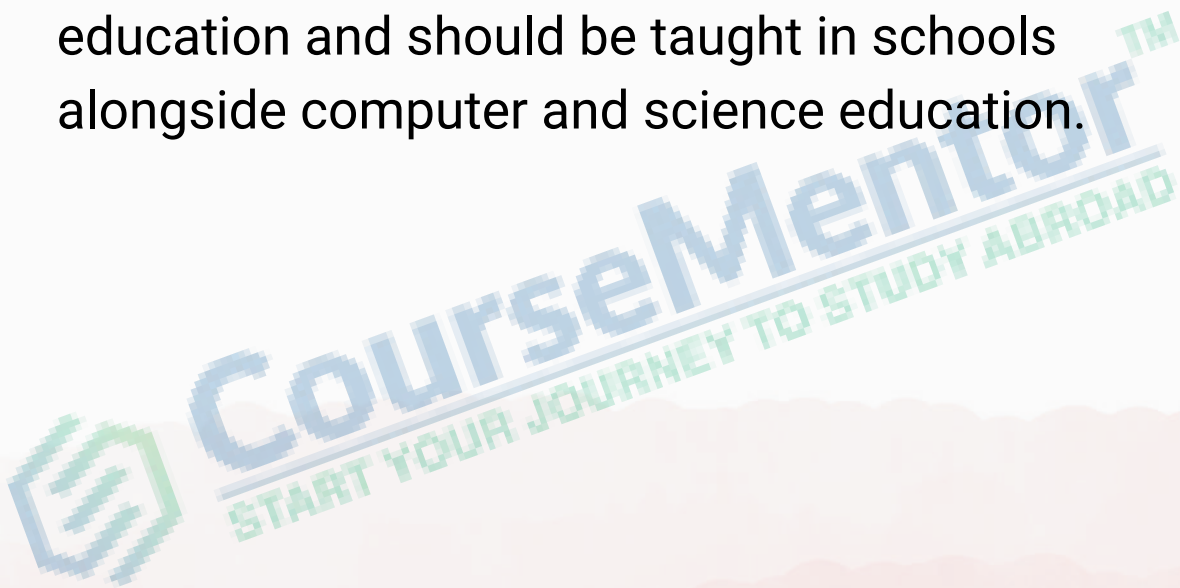
In my view, music instruction needs to coexist in schools with computer and science classes.

Music education has numerous benefits for students, including creativity, self-expression, and emotional intelligence. It also improves memory and cognitive function and can increase overall academic performance. Furthermore, music education can foster a sense of belonging and community among students and can effectively engage students who may not be as interested in traditional academic subjects.

Computer and science education, of course, are also essential subjects that provide students with the skills they need to succeed in today's technology-driven world. However, this doesn't mean that one subject should be prioritised over

the other. Instead, a well-rounded education that includes music and computer/science education can benefit students.

In short, I believe that music education should be considered an essential part of a student's education and should be taught in schools alongside computer and science education.



Topic 32

Some people believe that exams are an inappropriate way of measuring a student's performance and should be replaced by continuous assessments. Do you agree or disagree with this view?

Exams as a performance indicator for students have both benefits and drawbacks, and I think the optimal strategy may be to use both exams and continual assessments.

One of the main advantages of exams is that they provide a clear and objective measure of a student's performance. They also test students' ability to recall and apply knowledge under pressure, an essential skill in many real-world situations. Additionally, exams can fairly compare students across a large group, allowing for accurate ranking and selection.

On the other hand, some contend that tests are a flawed method of evaluating a student's performance since they do not take into account

their capacity for critical thought or problem-solving. Exams can often be difficult and may not fairly represent a student's overall ability.

Continuous assessments, such as projects, essays, and class participation, can provide a more comprehensive and nuanced view of a student's performance. They can also be less stressful than exams and may better reflect a student's ability to think critically and solve problems.

In conclusion, a combination of exams and continuous assessments may best measure a student's performance. Exams can objectively measure a student's performance, while endless reviews can give a more comprehensive view of a student's ability to think critically and solve problems.

Topic 33

Some think newspapers are the best method for reading the news while others think other media is better. Discuss both sides and give your own opinion.

The debate on the best method for reading the news is a longstanding one, with newspapers and other media each having their own advantages and disadvantages.

Newspapers, for example, are a convenient source of comprehensive information that is updated daily, and they often include in-depth coverage of important issues. They are also an excellent source of local news, providing coverage of events happening in the community. Additionally, reading newspapers helps improve vocabulary and writing skills.

On the other hand, other media, such as online news websites, television, and radio, offer the advantage of immediacy. News can be accessed and updated in real-time, and breaking news can

be reported as it happens. Other media also offer a wider range of news sources, enabling individuals to choose the information they want to receive.

In my opinion, the best method for reading the news is a combination of both newspapers and other media. This combination offers the best of both worlds, providing the depth and detail of newspapers, as well as the immediacy and variety of other media.

Ultimately, the choice between newspapers and other media will depend on individual preferences, needs, and circumstances. What is important is that people stay informed about what is happening in the world, and seek out reliable sources of news and information.

Topic 34

Some believe that new science related to criminal forensics should be used to look at old cases. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

There is substantial discussion about the use of new criminal forensics science to examine historical cases. On the one hand, cutting-edge methods and tools might offer new perspectives on situations that were previously believed to be unsolvable, bringing victims' families closer to understanding and providing them with closure.

On the other hand, there are reservations regarding the veracity of new scientific discoveries as well as their propensity to resurrect old wounds and add to existing suffering.

I agree that new criminal forensics research should be applied to old cases, but only after much thought and deliberation. It should be used to review historical evidence if the new ted.

technology has undergone extensive testing and has proven to be reliable and accurate. Families may find some solace in this, and it may also assist law enforcement understand earlier crimes better so they may prevent them from happening again in the future.

However, if there is any doubt about the accuracy of the new science, it should not be used to reopen old cases. False convictions or reopenings of old cases can cause significant harm and distress to those affected, and can erode trust in the criminal justice system.

In conclusion, while new science related to criminal forensics can provide important insights into old cases, it is essential that the technology is used responsibly and that the potential consequences are thoroughly considered. The ultimate goal should always be to ensure that justice is served and that the rights and well-being of all those involved are protected.

Topic 35

Car ownership has increased so rapidly over the past thirty years that in many cities around the world there are constant traffic jams.

- **How true do you think this statement is?**
- **What measures can governments take to discourage people from owning cars?**

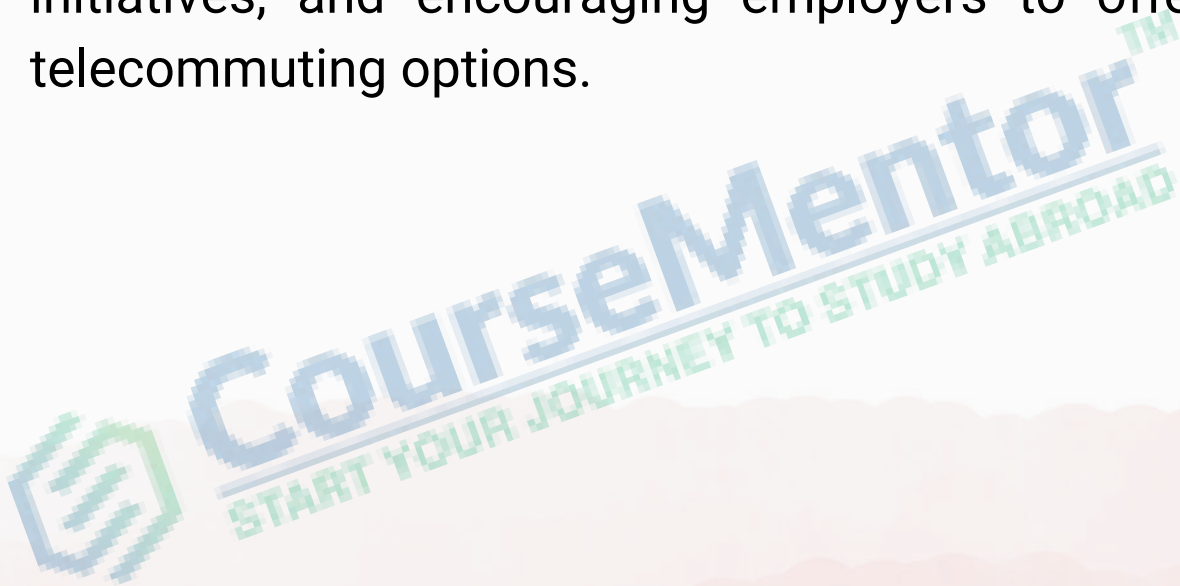
The statement that the number of people owning cars has grown quickly over the past thirty years, causing perpetual traffic jams in many places throughout the world, is essentially accurate. The number of people who possess an automobile has significantly increased, especially in urban areas, as a result of the expansion of the global economy and the development of the middle class. Due to this, transportation networks are under tremendous strain, and many cities are experiencing major traffic jams.

To discourage people from owning cars, governments can take a number of measures.

Firstly, they can invest in alternative modes of transportation, such as public transportation systems, bike lanes, and pedestrian walkways. This will make it easier for people to get around without relying on cars. Secondly, they can implement policies such as congestion charges, parking taxes, and high vehicle registration fees, which will increase the cost of car ownership and make alternative modes of transportation more attractive.

Governments can also encourage carpooling and carsharing programmes, which can assist reduce the number of vehicles on the road and ease traffic congestion. They can also urge firms to provide flexible work schedules and telecommuting choices, which will lessen the number of people who commute during rush hours.

In conclusion, the rapid increase in car ownership has indeed led to traffic jams in many cities around the world. Governments can take measures to discourage car ownership, including investing in alternative modes of transportation, implementing policies to increase the cost of car ownership, promoting car sharing and carpooling initiatives, and encouraging employers to offer telecommuting options.



Topic 36

Some countries have legal ages at which people can drink. Other countries believe not having strict laws is a better policy. Discuss both sides and give your own opinion.

There are reasons for and against both sides of the legal drinking age debate, which is a complicated topic.

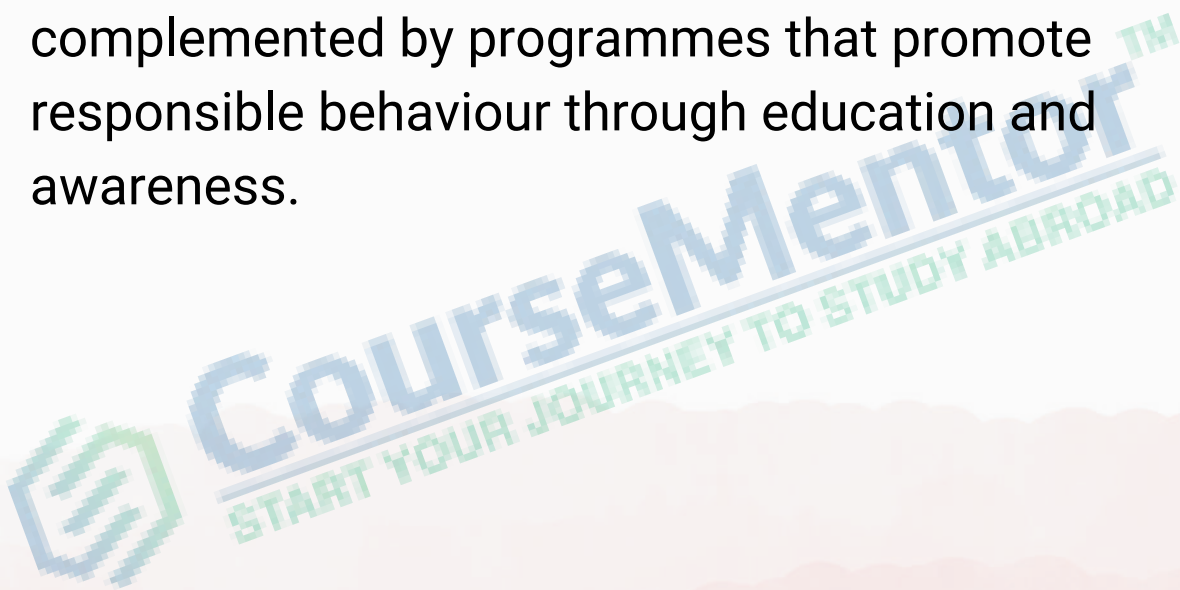
On the one hand, establishing a legal drinking age is viewed as a means of defending children against the harmful social and health repercussions of excessive drinking.

Governments hope to lower the number of young people's alcohol-related accidents and fatalities by raising the drinking age. A legal drinking age can also aid in lowering kids' access to alcohol, which can lower binge drinking and other dangerous behaviours.

On the other side, some nations contend that a policy of lax alcohol regulations is preferable. This strategy is predicated on the notion of personal accountability and the conviction that everyone has the freedom to make their own decisions, so long as they don't hurt other people. People who support this strategy contend that people need to be trusted to make wise choices regarding their own conduct and that a legal drinking age can be considered as an example of government overreach.

The optimal strategy, in my opinion, achieves a compromise between individual accountability and public security. Even though everyone has the right to their own opinions, there should still be measures in place to protect young people from the harmful effects of binge drinking. Campaigns for education and awareness, for instance, might be used to inform young people about the dangers of binge drinking and motivate them to make wise choices.

In conclusion, the argument over the legal drinking age is a complicated one that necessitates a fair strategy that considers both individual responsibility and public safety. A legal drinking age may assist to lessen the harmful effects of excessive drinking, but it should also be complemented by programmes that promote responsible behaviour through education and awareness.



Topic 37

Some people think that social networking sites have a huge negative impact on both individuals and society. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

There is substantial disagreement over the effect that social networking sites have on people and society. Some people think that the influence is overwhelmingly favourable, while others think that it is overwhelmingly bad.

On the one hand, social networking websites can benefit people by giving them a platform for networking with other professionals and advancing their careers as well as for communication and connection with friends and family. They can also help people connect with others who have similar interests and experiences, which can be a source of support and encouragement.

Social networking services do have certain drawbacks, too, like the propagation of incorrect

information, addiction, and cyberbullying. An increase in worry and tension as well as a loss of productivity might result from the frequent urge to check for updates and notifications.

Additionally, especially among young individuals, the temptation to portray a perfect picture on social media can result in concerns with body image and low self-esteem.

I think there are a variety of effects that social networking sites have on people and society. These websites may have beneficial benefits, such as offering a forum for discussion and connection, but they may also have detrimental effects, such as encouraging cyberbullying and the dissemination of false information. While utilizing the many advantages these websites have to offer, it is crucial for users to utilise them properly and to be aware of any potential drawbacks.

In conclusion, social networking sites can have a negative impact on people and society, but how these sites are used is largely what determines this impact. People can profit from the many advantages these websites offer while avoiding their drawbacks by utilising them properly and being aware of any potential adverse effects.



Topic 38

Online currencies have become more common in recent years.

- **Why is this?**
- **Is this a positive or negative development?**

Online currencies have gained significant popularity in recent years due to several reasons such as convenience, security, and quick transaction times. With the widespread use of the internet and smartphones, people can easily access and make transactions through digital currencies such as Bitcoin, Ethereum, and others. This has made it possible for individuals to store, send and receive money without relying on traditional banking systems.

Moreover, the use of online currencies can provide increased security compared to traditional methods as they use encryption technology to protect transactions from hacking or theft. Additionally, transactions made through online currencies are often processed faster and at lower fees compared to traditional banking methods.

On the one hand, this development can be seen as positive, as it offers numerous benefits to individuals and businesses. It provides greater financial freedom and privacy, as well as reducing the risk of fraud and other malicious activities associated with traditional banking methods.

On the other hand, the use of online currencies is still a relatively new concept and is not yet fully regulated. This can lead to potential risks such as high volatility in value, increased potential for fraud, and lack of protection for the consumer.

In conclusion, the increasing popularity of online currencies is a mixed development. While it offers several advantages, it also presents potential risks that need to be addressed before it can be fully embraced.

Topic 39

As the number of cars increases, more money has to be spent on road systems. Some people think the government should pay for this. Others, however, think that drivers should cover the costs. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

The issue of who should pay for the expansion and maintenance of road systems is a subject of debate. Some believe that the government should bear the cost because roads are a public good and it is the government's responsibility to provide infrastructure for its citizens. Additionally, they argue that roads benefit the economy as a whole and not just individual drivers, so the government should pay for it.

On the other hand, others argue that drivers should cover the costs of road systems as they are the primary users. They believe that drivers should pay through taxes on fuel or vehicle registration fees as this would directly link the cost to the use of the roads.

In my opinion, the cost of road systems should be shared between the government and drivers. The government can provide the necessary funds for basic infrastructure, while drivers can contribute through taxes or fees based on the amount of use. This would ensure that road systems are maintained to a high standard and provide a fair solution that takes into account the benefits to both drivers and society as a whole.



Topic 40

Many people today would argue that cinemas are becoming irrelevant due to new streaming services. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

With so many people choosing to view movies and TV episodes at home, the growth of streaming services has undoubtedly had an influence on the movie and television business. However, there is disagreement over how much theatres are losing relevance.

On the one hand, streaming services provide accessibility and convenience because users may watch their preferred shows at home. They also provide a big collection of on-demand movies and TV series.

On the other hand, there are a number of things that keep movies in theatres relevant even in the streaming era. People can watch movies together and share the experience, for instance, which

fosters a sense of community. The watching experience can be improved by the large screen and excellent sound system that cinemas provide. Additionally, going to the movies with friends or family may be a fun night out, which gives folks a social outlet.

In conclusion, despite the fact that streaming services have undoubtedly had an effect on the movie business, theatres are still important. They continue to offer a social outlet and a sense of community while offering an exceptional experience that cannot be duplicated at home. Whether or not cinemas are able to adjust to evolving technologies and shifting consumer preferences will determine whether or not they remain relevant.

Topic 41

Some people say that to prevent illness and disease, governments should focus more on reducing environmental pollution and housing problems. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

It is unquestionably true that both poor housing conditions and environmental pollutants can cause illness and disease. Governments have a responsibility to prevent these issues and safeguard the health of their people.

On the one hand, reducing environmental pollution can have a significant impact on public health. Air pollution, for example, can cause respiratory problems, while water pollution can lead to the spread of waterborne diseases. By taking steps to reduce pollution, governments can help to reduce the incidence of these illnesses.

Inadequate housing can also have an impact on health. For example, overcrowded and poorly-

ventilated homes can lead to the spread of infectious diseases, while poor living conditions can contribute to stress and mental health problems. Governments can help to address these issues by providing affordable and well-maintained housing for all citizens.

However, it is important to recognize that reducing environmental pollution and improving housing are complex issues that require multi-faceted solutions. While governments can play a role, individuals, businesses, and non-profit organizations also have a part to play.

In order to prevent illness and disease, I agree that governments should place more of an emphasis on lowering environmental pollution and housing issues. However, it's crucial to understand that these are complicated problems that call for cooperation from numerous parties.

Topic 42

Some people believe that children of all ages should have extra responsibilities (for example, helping at home or at work). Others believe that, outside of school, children should be free to enjoy their lives.

Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

The issue of whether children should have extra responsibilities outside of school is a matter of debate. On one hand, some argue that children should have additional responsibilities in order to help them develop a strong work ethic, become more responsible and gain a sense of pride in their accomplishments.

On the other hand, Others think that kids should be allowed to enjoy their life without having to take on more obligations until they are older. They contend that young children shouldn't be assigned extra responsibilities that can interfere with their ability to play and explore throughout their formative years.

In my opinion, both viewpoints have merit. Children can benefit from having extra responsibilities, as long as these tasks are age-appropriate and do not interfere with their overall well-being. For example, helping with chores around the house or doing volunteer work can help children develop important life skills and a strong sense of civic responsibility.

However, it is also important to ensure that children have adequate free time to play, explore, and simply be children. This time is essential for their overall development and can have a positive impact on their well-being.

In conclusion, it's necessary to balance work and play for kids who should have some additional obligations. The secret is to strike a balance that enables kids to enjoy their childhood while also allowing them to gain crucial life skills.

Topic 43

In recent years, there has been growing interest in the relationship between equality and personal achievement. Some people believe that individuals can achieve more in egalitarian societies. Others believe that high levels of personal achievement are possible only if individuals are free to succeed or fail according to their individual merits. Discuss both sides and give your own opinion.

The connection between equality and individual success is a hotly contested issue. On the one hand, some think that people can do more in an egalitarian society where everyone has an equal chance to thrive.

In these societies, everyone has access to the same resources and support systems, regardless of their background or circumstances. This level playing field can help to eliminate the barriers that might otherwise prevent individuals from reaching their full potential.

Furthermore, an equal society can provide a more supportive and encouraging environment, where people feel that they have a sense of purpose and can achieve their goals.

Others, on the other hand, think that great levels of personal performance can only be attained when people are allowed to succeed or fail based on their own merits. They contend that prizes, promotions, and bonuses act as incentives to motivate employees to put in more effort and pursue success. If everyone has the same opportunities and support, there will be less incentive for people to put in more effort and accomplish more.

In conclusion, both views have some validity. A society that promotes equality and provides equal opportunities for all can help to level the playing field and eliminate barriers to success. However, a certain level of competition and the ability to succeed or fail based on individual merit can also be motivating factors for personal achievement.

It is important to find a balance between these two perspectives, in order to create a society that promotes both equality and high levels of personal achievement.



Topic 44

Doing an enjoyable activity with a child can be better for their overall skills development and creativity than reading. To what extent do you agree?

It is debatable if engaging in fun activities with a child is more beneficial to their general skill development and creativity than reading. While all activities have advantages for children's development, each has particular advantages of its own.

On the one hand, engaging in fun activities with a child, such as playing games or working on crafts, can help them develop a variety of skills. Children can learn problem-solving and critical thinking abilities through playing games, while their imagination and creativity can grow through engaging in creative activities. Additionally, taking part in fun activities helps deepen the connection between the child and the adult, providing an environment that is supportive and encouraging for growth and development.

On the other hand, reading is also a crucial activity for children's development. Reading provides children with the opportunity to learn new words, concepts, and ideas, and can help to improve their literacy and language skills. It can also stimulate their imagination and expand their understanding of the world around them. In fact, some studies have shown that reading to children can have a positive impact on their overall cognitive development and academic success.

In conclusion, both doing enjoyable activities and reading have their benefits for children's development. While engaging in enjoyable activities can promote a range of skills and strengthen the bond between the child and adult, reading is also crucial for children's cognitive development and literacy skills. It is important to strike a balance between these two activities and encourage children to engage in both in order to maximize their potential for growth and development.

Topic 45

Learning at university would be more effective if men and women were educated separately. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

There is debate about the proposition that men and women should get higher education in separate institutions. Separate schooling, according to some, would result in more effective learning, while according to others, it would have detrimental effects.

On one hand, proponents of separate education argue that it would create a more focused learning environment, as students would not be distracted by the opposite gender. This could allow students to concentrate better on their studies and improve their academic performance. Separate education could also create an environment where students feel more comfortable discussing sensitive or controversial topics, as they would not feel judged by the opposite gender.

On the other hand, separate education could also have negative consequences. By segregating men and women, it would limit the opportunity for interaction and collaboration between the genders. This could lead to misunderstandings and missed opportunities for learning from different perspectives. Furthermore, separate education could perpetuate gender stereotypes and reinforce societal biases, leading to a lack of gender equality.

In conclusion, the idea that learning at university would be more effective if men and women were educated separately is a controversial topic.

While there may be some advantages to separate education, the limitations and potential negative consequences outweigh the benefits. It is important for universities to provide a diverse and inclusive learning environment, where students from all genders have the opportunity to learn and interact with each other.

Topic 46

Some people believe more actions can be taken to prevent crime, while others think that little can be done. Discuss both sides and give your own opinion.

There is disagreement on the subject of crime prevention; some individuals think more can be done to stop crime, while others think not much can be done. This debate has legitimate points on both sides that should be taken into account.

On the one hand, those who think more can be done to deter crime contend that a proactive strategy is required. This may entail a combination of tactics, including stepping up police presence in high-crime areas, putting in place community-based initiatives, and tackling the underlying causes of crime, such as unemployment, poverty, and a lack of education. Additionally, they think that by making investments in crime prevention, long-term expenditures associated with dealing with crime can be decreased.

On the other hand, those who believe that little can be done to prevent crime argue that the underlying causes of crime are deeply ingrained in society and difficult to address. They believe that the best that can be done is to increase punishment for those who commit crimes and to improve the criminal justice system to ensure that justice is served. They also argue that certain types of crime, such as those committed by individuals with mental health problems or those motivated by greed or addiction, cannot be effectively prevented.

In my opinion, both sides have valid arguments. It is true that some types of crime may be difficult to prevent, but it is also true that a proactive approach to crime prevention can be effective. By taking a multi-faceted approach that addresses both the root causes of crime and improves the criminal justice system, it may be possible to reduce the incidence of crime.

However, it is also important to recognize that the solution to crime is not solely the responsibility of the government, but also of the community as a whole. The community must work together to create safe and supportive environments that discourage criminal behavior and provide opportunities for individuals to lead positive and productive lives.



Topic 47

Some argue that patriotism is the primary cause of wars globally. Others feel that it serves to prevent less ethical politicians from running a country and starting wars. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Patriotism, the love and loyalty to one's country, has been the subject of much debate and discussion. Some argue that patriotism is the primary cause of wars globally, while others believe that it serves to prevent less ethical politicians from running a country and starting wars.

On one hand, those who argue that patriotism is the cause of wars globally point to instances where nationalism and excessive pride in one's country have led to conflicts between nations. They believe that the blind devotion to one's country can create an environment of distrust and animosity between different nations, leading to wars and other forms of violence.

On the other hand, those who feel that patriotism serves to prevent less ethical politicians from running a country and starting wars argue that it can act as a check on those in power. By instilling a sense of national pride and loyalty, patriotism can encourage citizens to hold their leaders accountable and prevent them from engaging in unethical or dangerous behavior. They also argue that patriotism can bring people together, promoting unity and stability in society and helping to prevent conflicts.

In conclusion, patriotism can have both positive and negative effects. While excessive patriotism can lead to conflicts and wars, a healthy and balanced form of patriotism can help to prevent unethical or dangerous behavior by those in power. It is important to promote patriotism in a way that encourages national unity and stability, while avoiding the excessive nationalism and blind devotion that can lead to conflict.

Additionally, it is important for citizens to be informed and critical, and to hold their leaders accountable for their actions, regardless of their level of patriotism.



Topic 48

Some feel that punishment should focus more on rehabilitation instead of long prison terms. Others feel prison terms are important for social stability. Discuss both sides and give your opinion.

For many years, the subject of punishing illegal activity has been up for discussion, with many viewpoints on the most effective course of action. Long prison terms are not necessary for social stability, according to some, who believe that punishment should instead emphasise rehabilitation.

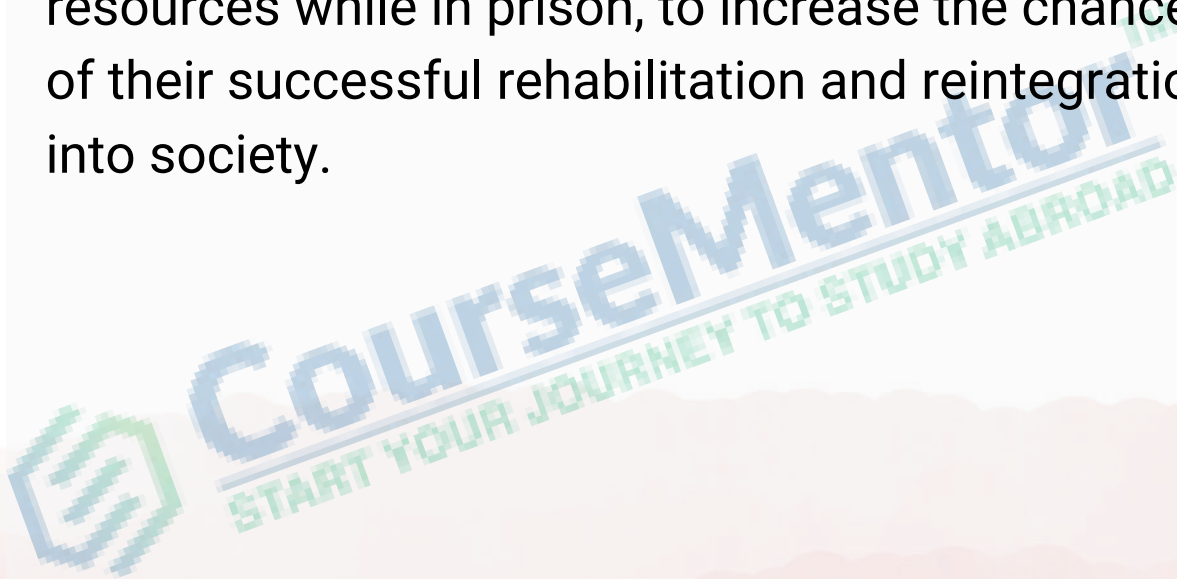
On one hand, those who believe that punishment should focus on rehabilitation argue that this approach will have a more positive impact on reducing crime and recidivism. They believe that by helping individuals to address the root causes of their criminal behavior and providing them with the necessary skills and resources to reintegrate into society, they are less likely to reoffend in the future.

This approach is also seen as more cost-effective, as it is less expensive than long-term incarceration.

On the other hand, those who believe that prison terms are important for social stability argue that they serve as a deterrent to crime and protect society from dangerous individuals. They believe that long prison terms send a clear message that certain behaviors will not be tolerated, and that individuals who engage in criminal behavior will face serious consequences. They also argue that by removing dangerous individuals from society, prisons help to maintain social stability and prevent further crime.

In conclusion, a balance between both approaches is necessary. While rehabilitation is important for reducing recidivism and reintegrating individuals into society, it should be complemented by a system of punishment that includes both prison terms and other forms of sanctions when necessary.

This approach would send a clear message that criminal behavior will not be tolerated, while also providing individuals with the necessary resources to address the root causes of their behavior and reintegrate into society. Additionally, it is important to ensure that individuals who engage in criminal behavior receive adequate support and resources while in prison, to increase the chances of their successful rehabilitation and reintegration into society.



Topic 49

Some young people like to copy the behaviour and clothes of famous people today.

- **Why might this be the case?**
- **What problems can it cause?**

Young people today often emulate the behavior and clothing of famous people for a variety of reasons. One reason may be the desire to fit in with their peers or to be seen as cool or fashionable. They may also believe that by copying the behavior and clothing of celebrities, they can attain some level of prestige or status. Additionally, they may look up to famous people as role models and aspire to be like them.

However, this trend can also cause a number of problems. For example, young people who emulate celebrities may ignore their own unique interests and personalities in favor of trying to be like someone else. This can lead to a loss of individuality and a lack of personal identity.

Additionally, they may find themselves imitating negative or harmful behaviors, such as substance abuse or reckless behavior, that are often glorified in the media. Furthermore, the cost of copying celebrities' expensive clothing and accessories can put financial strain on young people and their families.

In conclusion, while young people may emulate famous people for various reasons, it is important to encourage them to develop their own interests, personalities, and values, and to discourage them from engaging in negative or harmful behaviors. By doing so, they can avoid the potential problems associated with copying the behavior and clothing of famous people.

Topic 50

Today, many people use the internet and smartphones to transfer money to friends, family, and businesses. Is this a positive or negative development?

The practise of sending money to friends, family, and businesses via the internet and smartphones is hotly contested and has both advantages and disadvantages.

On the positive side, online money transfers have made it easier and faster for people to send and receive money, regardless of their location. This has facilitated global commerce and reduced the time and cost of transactions, making it easier for people to conduct business or support their loved ones financially. Additionally, online money transfers can be more secure and convenient than traditional methods, such as writing checks or carrying cash.

However, on the negative side, the increased use of online money transfers has also increased the risk of fraud and financial cyberattacks, putting individuals' and businesses' financial information at risk. Additionally, the technology behind online money transfers can be complex, making it difficult for some people to use it, particularly those who are less tech-savvy or who live in areas without reliable internet access.

In conclusion, the use of the internet and smartphones for money transfers is both a positive and negative development. While it has made financial transactions easier and more convenient, it has also increased the risk of fraud and cyberattacks, and not everyone has equal access to the technology. It is important to find a balance that maximizes the benefits while minimizing the risks.

Topic 51

Some feel that individuals should try to assimilate completely to the country where they live while others feel it is more important to preserve their native culture. Discuss both sides and give your opinion.

The question of whether individuals should assimilate completely to the country where they live or preserve their native culture is a highly debated topic with valid arguments on both sides.

On one hand, proponents of assimilation argue that it helps individuals to integrate into society, form strong bonds with the community, and participate in the cultural life of their new country. This can lead to a sense of belonging and improved quality of life, as well as breaking down cultural barriers and promoting greater understanding between different groups.

On the other hand, those who believe in preserving one's native culture argue that it is an important part of an individual's identity and provides a connection to their heritage and history. Retaining one's culture can also help to maintain a sense of community among members of the same cultural group, particularly in a new and potentially unfamiliar country.

In my opinion, both assimilation and preservation of native culture are important in different ways. While it is important for individuals to assimilate to a certain extent and participate in the cultural life of their new country, preserving their native culture can also enrich the cultural landscape of the new country and provide a sense of connection to their roots. A balance between the two can help individuals feel comfortable in their new environment, participate in their new community, and still maintain a sense of their cultural heritage.

Topic 52

In some parts of the world traditional festivals and celebrations have disappeared or are disappearing.

- **What problems is this causing?**
- **What measures could be taken to counter this situation?**

The disappearance of traditional festivals and celebrations in some parts of the world can cause a number of problems.

Firstly, it can lead to a loss of cultural heritage and history. Traditional festivals and celebrations often reflect the unique cultural beliefs, values, and customs of a community and help to pass on cultural knowledge from one generation to the next. When these festivals disappear, so too does a part of the cultural heritage and history of the community.

Secondly, the disappearance of traditional festivals and celebrations can also lead to a decline in community cohesion and social connections.

Festivals and celebrations bring people together, create a sense of community, and provide opportunities for social interaction and bonding. When these events disappear, it can result in a decline in social connections and community cohesion.

Finally, the disappearance of traditional festivals and celebrations can also have a negative impact on the local economy. Many traditional festivals and celebrations are supported by local businesses, and their disappearance can result in a decline in tourism and revenue for the local area.

There are several measures that can be taken to counter the situation. Firstly, governments and local communities can work together to preserve and revitalize traditional festivals and celebrations. This can involve supporting local cultural groups, organizing cultural events and festivals, and encouraging community involvement in these activities.

Secondly, educational institutions can contribute to raising awareness of the value of customary holidays and celebrations. This can be achieved by including cultural education in the curriculum, inspiring students to learn about and take part in customary holidays, and supporting cultural groups and activities.

Finally, the media can also play a role in raising awareness about the importance of traditional festivals and celebrations. This can involve reporting on cultural events and festivals, promoting cultural awareness, and encouraging people to participate in and support cultural activities.

Topic 53

Some people today have argued that countries should interfere less in the affairs of other nations. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

In this task, you are asked to discuss the view that countries should interfere less in the affairs of other nations. There are two sides to this issue: those who believe that countries should interfere less and those who disagree.

On one hand, supporters of this view argue that interfering in other countries' affairs can have negative consequences, such as increased tensions and conflict, decreased sovereignty and self-determination, and a lack of accountability for one's own actions. Interference can also undermine the legitimacy of other countries' governments and institutions, making it difficult for them to maintain stability and improve their economies.

On the other hand, opponents argue that in some cases, intervention may be necessary to address major global problems, such as human rights violations, terrorism, and the spread of disease. They also argue that some countries may need outside help to develop and grow, and that interference can be a way to promote positive change and promote stability.

In conclusion, it is important to strike a balance between respecting the sovereignty and independence of other nations and addressing important global issues. Ultimately, the decision of whether or not to interfere should be based on careful consideration of the potential consequences and the urgency of the problem being addressed.

Topic 54

Advanced technology has brought many beneficial changes to the world. However, some old people today struggle with the use of technologies such as mobile phones and the Internet.

- **How can the elderly benefit from using advanced technologies?**
- **How can the elderly be encouraged to use consumer electronics more often?**

This can help to reduce feelings of loneliness and isolation, and can also help to maintain important relationships.

Another benefit is access to information and knowledge. The Internet provides a wealth of information and resources that can be used for learning, education, and personal growth. This can be particularly beneficial for the elderly, who may have more free time for self-improvement and lifelong learning.

In order to encourage the elderly to use consumer electronics more often, several steps can be taken. One approach is to provide training and support, such as classes, workshops, or one-on-one sessions. This can help to build the elderly's confidence and provide them with the skills and knowledge they need to use advanced technologies effectively.

Another approach is to make technology more accessible and user-friendly. For example, many consumer electronics are now designed with large buttons, clear displays, and intuitive interfaces, making them easier for the elderly to use. Additionally, the availability of assistive technologies, such as speech-to-text software, can help to make technology more accessible to those with disabilities or visual impairments.

In conclusion, there are ways to encourage older people to use modern technologies because they

can profit from them substantially. We can ensure that everyone, regardless of age, can benefit from technology's many advantages by providing support and resources, making equipment user-friendly, encouraging social engagement, and publicising the advantages. The world has undergone many positive changes thanks to advanced technology, yet some elderly people find it difficult to use modern tools like cell phones and the Internet. Despite this, there are a number of ways that adopting these cutting-edge technologies might help the elderly.

The improvement of communication and social connections is one advantage of employing cutting-edge technologies. The elderly may easily stay in touch with friends and family, both nearby and far away, with the aid of smartphones and the Internet.

Topic 55

The use of social media is replacing face to face interaction among many people in society. Do you think that the advantages outweigh the disadvantages?

The use of social media has revolutionised the way we interact with others, but it has also resulted in a reduction in face-to-face interactions. The question of whether the advantages of social media outweigh its disadvantages is a subject of much debate.

On the one hand, social media has many advantages. It allows people to connect with others from all over the world, making it easier to stay in touch with friends and family members who live far away. It also provides a platform for individuals to express their opinions, share information, and engage in virtual communities. Additionally, social media can be a useful tool for businesses to reach a wider audience and increase their online presence.

On the other hand, there are also several disadvantages to the use of social media. One major concern is the impact on face-to-face interactions, as many people are becoming more reliant on digital communication and less likely to engage in in-person conversations. Another issue is the negative effect that social media can have on mental health, as constant comparison to others' lives and constant exposure to negativity can lead to feelings of anxiety, depression, and low self-esteem.

In conclusion, while social media has many advantages, it is important to consider the disadvantages as well. Balancing the use of social media with face-to-face interactions, and using it in a responsible and mindful manner, can help to mitigate its negative impacts.

Vocabulary

Amazing

Answer

Awful

Bad

Beautiful

Begin

Big

Break

Calm

Dangerous

Delicious

Destroy

Dull

Explain

End

Fall

Famous

Fast

Astonishing

Respond

Abominable

Dismal

Exquisite

Commence

Gigantic

Fracture

Serene

Precarious

Titbit

Demolish

Monotonous

Interpret

Cessation

Renowned

Snappy

Humorous

Vocabulary

Funny

Get

Good

Great

Happy

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Vocabulary

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Certain

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Bulky

Veil

Peek

Ancient

