

Writing essays

Introduction and tips (Writing essays)

- ANSWER THE QUESTION
- PLAN your essay
- REVISE your essay to correct mistakes.
- 4 or 5 PARAGRAPHS, with Introduction and Conclusion
- The first paragraph should be a general introduction to the subject
- Develop your arguments in the middle paragraphs
- Give reasons to support your argument
- Use a variety of discussive words and phrases
- Give examples where possible
- Use formal language
- Don't use contractions (we're, I've etc.)
- Sum up your argument in the final paragraph
- The final paragraph is the best place to express your opinion clearly.

Useful Phrases (Writing articles)

Presenting two advantages or disadvantages together:

- *not only ... but ... also*
- *not only ... but also*

Presenting two opposing views:

- *on the one hand, on the other hand*

Expressing Contrast:

- *nevertheless*
- *even so*
- *even though*
- *however*
- *in spite of*
- *despite*
- *but*
- *although*

Expressing results:

- *because of this*
- *therefore*
- *thus*
- *as a result*
- *for this reason*
- *consequently*

Giving examples:

- *such as*
- *like*

- *for example*

- *for instance*

Expressing the opinion of someone else:

- *some people say*

- *some people say that*

- *many people say*

- *many people say that*

- *people often say*

- *it is said*

- *it is said that*

- *according to*

Prak 3 – Nov 2023 – Writing Task – short essay

Write your **essay in approximately 300 words** in an appropriate style.

1. You have done a project on transport in your English class. Your teacher has asked you to write an essay giving your opinions on the following statement.

Because public transport is so convenient cars have no future.