

## 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.*