

Recent IELTS Writing Questions

Essay Questions (February/March)

◆ When asked to choose between a life without work and working most of the time, most people would choose not to work. **To what extent do you agree or disagree?**

◆ Some people think mobile phones should be banned in public places such as libraries, shops and public transport. **To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement?**

◆ Some people think that the news media has become much more influential in people's lives today and it is a negative development. **Do you agree or disagree?**

◆ Some people believe that children's leisure activities must be educational; otherwise they are a complete waste of time. **Do you agree or disagree?**

◆ Some people believe that violence on television and in computer games has a damaging effect on the society. Others deny that these factors have any significant influence on people's behavior. **What is your opinion?**

◆ Some people see sports only as a leisure activity, while others believe sports play a more important role. **Discuss both views and give your option.**

◆ Some people think that students should study in their own city, however, many students prefer to study far away from their home. **Do the advantages of studying away from home outweigh the disadvantages?**

- ◆ The world has many towns and cities constructed in previous centuries that were more suitable and livable for people in those times than they are now. **What problems will this cause? What can be done to solve these problems?**

- ◆ Competitiveness is a positive quality for people in most societies. **How does competitiveness affect individuals? Is it a positive or a negative trend?**

- ◆ Some think that ambition is a good quality. **Is it important to be ambitious? Is it a positive or negative characteristic?**

- ◆ The youth crime rate is rising rapidly in many countries. **What are the reasons for this trend? What can parents and teachers do to solve it?**

Essay Questions (March/April)

- ◆ Most employers nowadays put an increasing emphasis on social skills. Some people believe that social skills are essential in addition to good qualifications for job success. **To what extent do you agree or disagree?**

- ◆ Some people think that a good diet and exercise are not necessary for a healthy and long life. **To what extent do you agree or disagree?**

- ◆ Some people think that the increasing use of computers and mobile phones for communicate had has a negative effect on young people's reading and writing skills. **To what extent do you agree with this statement?**

◆ Some people say that the main aim of advertising is to improve sales of products that people do not really need. [To what extent do you agree or disagree?](#)

◆ Some people believe that the typical teaching situation of a teacher and students in the class will not exist by the year 2050. [To what extent do you agree or disagree?](#)

◆ Some people believe that local news is more important than international news, while others argue that news from around the world has more significance. [Discuss both views and give your own opinion.](#)

◆ Some people think that the success of life is based on hard work and determination. Others, however, believe that there are more important factors, such as having money or a good appearance. [Discuss both views and give your own opinion.](#)

◆ Some people say that parents have the most important role in a child's development. However, others argue that other things like television or friends have the most significant influence. [Discuss both views and give your own opinion.](#)

◆ In this technological era, personal information is stored on computers by many companies and organisations. [Do you think the advantages outweigh the disadvantages?](#)

◆ Some cities have vehicle-free days when private cars, trucks, and motorcycles are banned from the city center. Public transportation like buses, taxis, and metros are advised. [To what extent do you think the advantages of this policy outweigh the disadvantages?](#)

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- ◆ Doctors in many countries are saying that people are not getting enough physical exercise. [What are the causes of this and how it can be addressed?](#)

- ◆ Nowadays, not enough students choose science subjects at universities in many countries. [What are the reasons for this problem? What are the effects on society?](#)

- ◆ Nowadays, people travel to other countries for holidays. [Why do people want to do so? Is it a negative or positive trend for the countries they travel to?](#)

- ◆ Many young people do not know how to manage their money when graduating high school. [What do you think are the reasons? What can be done to teach them this important skill?](#)

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