

Writing Model Questions

Team work

Group projects are often part of studying at university. (Source: Oxford International)

In your experience, what are the pros and cons of working in groups when studying?

Digital detox

People sometimes decide not to use digital tools, like phones or apps, for a few days.
(Source: Oxford International)

In your experience, what are the advantages and disadvantages of taking a short break from digital technology?

Post vs email

The Danish post service has announced it will stop letter services at the end of the year. Instead, it will concentrate on its parcel business. (Source: bbc.com)

In your experience, what are the advantages and disadvantages of sending and receiving mail through the post instead of electronic mail?

Daily Journal

Journaling or writing in a diary for just a few minutes every day can help turn it into a stress-relieving, sustainable habit. (Source: healthline.com)

What are the advantages and disadvantages of keeping a daily journal or diary? Discuss both sides and give your own opinion.

Keeping clothes

Some people prefer to keep their clothes for a long time and take them for repairs when they are damaged. (Source: The Guardian)

In your opinion, what are the advantages and disadvantages of keeping old, well-worn clothes instead of buying new ones? Discuss both sides and give your opinion.

Strict routines

Many people like to follow a strict routine every day and are not comfortable changing these habits. (Source: LA Times)

In your opinion, what are the advantages and disadvantages of following the same daily routine? Discuss both sides and give your opinion.

Time alone

Some people enjoy spending time by themselves, while others prefer doing things with other people. (Source: Oxford International)

In your experience, what are the pros and cons of spending time alone?

Pet presents

According to a recent survey, 59% of people said they'd given their pet a birthday present, with the average spend for birthday parties being £121. (Source: independent.co.uk)

Should people spend money to celebrate their pets' birthdays or is it just a waste of money? Discuss both sides of the argument and conclude with your own opinion.

4-day week

“Almost 1,000 UK workers are keeping the shorter work week after trials showed less burnout, better well-being, and no loss in productivity.” (Source: theguardian.com)

In your opinion, what are some advantages and disadvantages of having a four-day work week? Discuss both sides and use what you’ve seen or know to support your own opinion.

Part-time jobs

“Some people think part-time jobs are good because they help teenagers learn life skills, like talking to new people and being responsible. However, part-time jobs can take time away from studying” (Source: The Guardian)

What are the advantages and disadvantages of working while studying? Use your own experience to explain.

Second Language

“Learning a second language gives young people more chances for good jobs and helps them in a global world. If fewer students study languages, schools will offer fewer choices, and it will be harder to find language teachers in the future” (Source: The Guardian)

What are the pros and cons of learning a second language? Use what you’ve seen or know to explain.

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