

Writing task 2

Sample text + Comment + Plan Analysis

This pamphlet is compiled by Khaki Academy R & D team. It aims to expose you to some standard and well written samples. There are two parts (rounds) including different types of tasks.

You are required to read them, analyze and derive the plan (brain storm) which the author (writer) has had to create such texts.

The samples are at first given as a whole so you can extract useful information for further use and for expanding your conscience regarding developing a well-formed written text. Then, gradually the provided information will decrease and you will have to take the responsibility of taking out the crucial information within each text. Finally, you are expected to be able to develop ideas of your own and write well-thought texts.

First Round

Content list

ESSAY 1 (#10) Agree / Disagree

ESSAY 2 (#14) Advantages & Disadvantages

ESSAY 3 (#4) Causes & Effects

ESSAY 4 (#24) Causes & Solutions

ESSAY 5 (#2) Discuss both views & your opinion

ESSAY 6 (#1) To What extent do you agree or disagree?

ESSAY 7 (#0) Answer two questions.

Instruction

For the vertical box (next to texts)

- Write the key words of every sentence to see its mind map

For the vertical box next to texts

- Write the strategy of each paragraph to see the flow of ideas

ESSAY 1 (#10)

Agree or Disagree

Work, Business

Question

It is sometimes said that a high salary is the most important factor in choosing a job.

Do you agree [or disagree]?

Answer

It is, of course, important for people to earn a sufficiently high salary to support their lifestyle. This does not mean, however, that the salary is the only point to be taken into consideration when choosing a job. Indeed, I would argue that there are a number of other factors that are equally significant.

The first point to consider is why it may be a mistake to place too much emphasis on the salary. One reason why this is so is that you may select a job that is well-paid but ultimately unsatisfying. In this case, you may spend 8 hours a day being unhappy. Something else to be taken into account is that highly-paid jobs tend to be stressful and involve long working hours. For instance, many doctors have a 60 hour working week and they often suffer from burn-out early in their careers and wish they had chosen a less stressful profession.

The other point to be taken into account is how other factors may matter more than the salary when deciding on a job. Indeed, most people would accept that the work environment is key to job satisfaction. If you are working alongside people you like and the atmosphere in the office is positive, you are much more likely to be satisfied in your work. Likewise, it is also critical that you actually enjoy what you do. For example, someone who is artistic is much more likely to be happy working for a low salary teaching art than earning a fortune as a merchant banker.

In conclusion, I would say that the salary should be only one consideration in choosing a job and that other factors such as job satisfaction and work environment are just as important.

Extract key words

Idea (side):

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B.P1 Main idea:

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Support:

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B.P2 Main idea:

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Support:

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Conclusion:

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Your turn

Extract the mind map.

<i>Topic your own paraphrase:</i>
<i>Body 1 strategy: Agree >>></i>
<i>Body 2 strategy: disagree >>></i>
Cohesive devices (Connectors):
<i>Grammar Range:</i>
<i>Collocations:</i>
Less common words & expressions:

Your own plan

(Body 1)

Main idea:

Support:

(Body 2)

Main idea:

Support: