



IELTS WRITING TASK 2 RECENT QUESTIONS-2020

1. Some people say that protecting the environment is the government's responsibility. Others believe that every individual should be responsible for it. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.
2. In some countries the quality of life in larger cities is declining. Why do you think this is happening? What measures can be taken to stop it?
3. Some people say the government should spend money on providing faster public transport while others believe the government should give priority to other factors such as cost and the effect on environment. Do you agree or disagree with this statement?
4. More people today prefer to live alone in comparison to the past. Do you think it is a positive or negative development? Give your opinion and relevant examples to support your view.



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5. Many people believe that in order to have clean and tidy streets in their neighbourhood, this should be the residents' responsibility, while others think it should be the government's duty. What is your opinion?

6. Nowadays consumer goods have become the most important part of people's lives. Do the advantages of this outweigh the disadvantages?

7. Some people say that a country should produce food locally, while others believe that it is good to import food. To what extent do you agree or disagree? Give your opinion and relevant examples.

8. It is often said that to become a successful businessman a tertiary education is not at all necessary. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement? Give your opinion and relevant examples.

9. Many people believe that family has a greater influence on a child's life and development compared to other factors, such as friends, TV, music and so on. Do you agree or disagree with this statement?

10. Certain personal qualities cannot be achieved through university studies. Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Give your opinion and relevant examples.

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11. Nowadays shopping has become a new favourite pastime for young people. What are the reasons for this? Should they be encouraged to develop other hobbies? How?

12. Science gives people life expectancy of close to one hundred years or even more. Some people view it in a positive light, but others believe it creates some problems. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

13. Some people believe that to become successful in sports one should have a natural talent. Others think that perseverance and practice are a crucial part to success. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

14. Some people believe that modern technology has enhanced sociable behaviour, but others think it has reduced social interactions. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

15. When new towns are planned, it is important to build more public parks and sports facilities, rather than shopping centres for people to spend their free time. To what extent do you agree or disagree?



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- 16.** Nowadays larger distances are travelled by people to work and study on a daily basis. Some consider it to be a negative development, while others disagree. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.
- 17.** Nowadays media should include more good news in their publications. Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.
- 18.** Some people believe that elderly employees are more useful to a company, while others believe that young employees are better. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.
- 19.** Television Sport shows such as the Olympics are a good source of motivation for our youths who do not like to exercise much. Do you agree or disagree? Include relevant examples in your answer and provide your own opinion.
- 20.** Nowadays many people want to buy famous brands of clothes, cars and other items. What are the reasons for this? Do you think it is a positive or a negative development?



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- 21.** It is important for all towns and cities to have large outdoors spaces such as squares and parks. Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Give reasons for your answer and include relevant examples from your knowledge or experience.
- 22.** School and university students learn lessons far better from their teachers than from other sources, such as the Internet and television. To what extent do you agree or disagree?
- 23.** Nowadays we can see definite signs of surplus production in almost every industry sector, and this is leading to environmental damage. What are some possible solutions to this situation?
- 24.** Some people believe that adults get motivated to exercise and play sports because of the major sports events on TV such as the Olympic Games and Football World Cup. Others say that there are many ways apart from TV to encourage them to exercise. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.
- 25.** Nowadays many students live with their families while others go to another city to study at a university. Discuss advantages and disadvantages of both scenarios. Include relevant examples in your answer.



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- 26.** Some people believe the media should be allowed to publish private information about people, while others are against it. Discuss both views and give your own opinion and relevant examples.
- 27.** Many studies have shown that most criminals have a low level of education. Some people say that to reduce the crime rate, criminals must be educated within prisons. It will improve their prospects of employment when they are released. To what extent do you agree or disagree? Give your opinion and relevant examples.
- 28.** Students from disadvantaged families and rural areas are finding it difficult to get a university education. Some people believe that universities should help them. To what extent do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer and include examples from your experience.
- 29.** Some think that developing a successful career is more important than spending time with family and friends, while others disagree. Discuss both views and give our own opinion.
- 30.** The trend of increasing tourism causes environmental problems in many parts of the world. What are the main causes of pollution it creates? What can be done to reduce it?



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- 31.** Many people find it difficult to speak in front of and to present to an audience. It is believed that this skill should be taught in school. Why is this important? To what extent do you agree or disagree with it?
- 32.** Some people believe that face to face communication is always more powerful than written communication. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement? Give your own opinion and include relevant examples.

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