

Argumentative Writing Topics (P3/P4)

1 Governments should limit the use of social media for young people.

FOR	AGAINST
mental health protection · reduced screen time · misinformation control · improved academic focus · online risk reduction	freedom of choice · access to information · social connection · digital skill development · entertainment value

USEFUL WORDS, COLLOCATIONS & PHRASES

limit social media use · impose restrictions on platforms · reduce excessive screen time · prevent exposure to harmful content · control the spread of misinformation · affect mental health negatively · online safety risks · exposure to harmful content · digital communication platforms · unrestricted access to information · social interaction online · responsible social media use · balance between online and offline life · individual freedom of choice

2 University education should be free for all students.

FOR	AGAINST
equal educational access · reduced financial burden · social mobility · workforce development · educational equality	public cost burden · higher taxation · overcrowded institutions · reduced quality · lack of responsibility

USEFUL WORDS, COLLOCATIONS & PHRASES

provide free university education · ensure equal access to education · reduce financial barriers · support students from low-income backgrounds · promote social mobility · invest in human capital · higher education access · financial burden on students · public budget pressure · increased taxation · university overcrowding · reduced education quality · shared financial responsibility · sustainable education systems

3 Governments should introduce a four-day working week.

FOR	AGAINST
work-life balance · reduced burnout · increased productivity · mental wellbeing · increased leisure time	reduced output · business efficiency loss · service disruption · operational costs · unequal sector impact

USEFUL WORDS, COLLOCATIONS & PHRASES

introduce a four-day working week · reduce working hours · improve work-life balance · increase employee satisfaction · reduce workplace burnout · boost productivity levels · mental wellbeing at work · business efficiency loss · increased operational costs · scheduling challenges · service disruption risks · uneven sector impact · employer-employee balance

4 It is better to be self-employed than to work for a company.

FOR	AGAINST
work flexibility · personal independence · higher earning potential · self-control · job satisfaction	income instability · lack of job security · absence of benefits · high responsibility · irregular earnings

USEFUL WORDS, COLLOCATIONS & PHRASES

be self-employed · run a business · manage your own schedule · increase earning potential · pursue personal goals · achieve job satisfaction · personal independence at work · stable income security · irregular income patterns · financial uncertainty · business expense management · employee benefits package · risk-reward balance

5 Taking risks is essential for success.

FOR	AGAINST
new opportunities · personal growth · learning from failure · competitive advantage · innovation	risk of failure · financial loss · emotional pressure · uncertainty · safer alternatives

USEFUL WORDS, COLLOCATIONS & PHRASES

take calculated risks · step out of comfort zone · create new opportunities · achieve long-term success · learn from failure · develop resilience · drive innovation · competitive advantage · risk of failure · financial loss exposure · emotional pressure · uncertain outcomes · cautious decision-making · risk-benefit analysis

6 Having too many choices in modern life makes people less satisfied.

FOR	AGAINST
decision fatigue · choice overload · regret · overthinking · fear of missing out	freedom of choice · better opportunities · personal control · customized decisions · variety of options

USEFUL WORDS, COLLOCATIONS & PHRASES

have too many options · feel overwhelmed by choices · experience decision fatigue · struggle to make decisions · overthink available options · regret past decisions · compare multiple alternatives · choice overload · freedom of choice · informed decision-making · personal preference selection · opportunity variety · customized choices · satisfaction levels

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Failure is a more valuable teacher than success.

FOR	AGAINST
learning from mistakes · resilience building · self-reflection · skill improvement · long-term growth	confidence building · motivation through success · discouragement risk · positive reinforcement · achievement focus

USEFUL WORDS, COLLOCATIONS & PHRASES

learn from failure · make mistakes and improve · gain valuable experience · build resilience · identify weaknesses · reflect on past actions · grow through challenges · confidence development · positive outcomes · motivational success · discouragement effects · reinforcement of success · achievement-oriented mindset

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People should limit the amount of time they spend consuming news.

FOR	AGAINST
information overload · negative exposure · stress increase · news fatigue · constant updates	global awareness · informed decisions · civic responsibility · information access · critical thinking

USEFUL WORDS, COLLOCATIONS & PHRASES

consume news regularly · follow daily news updates · feel overwhelmed by information · experience news fatigue · exposure to negative news · increase stress levels · information overload · limit media consumption · protect mental wellbeing · global awareness · informed decision-making · reliable news sources · critical thinking skills · balanced media consumption

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It is better to specialize in one skill than to develop many different skills.

FOR	AGAINST
deep expertise · competitive advantage · efficiency · professional identity · specialization	adaptability · diverse skills · career flexibility · multiple opportunities · lifelong learning

USEFUL WORDS, COLLOCATIONS & PHRASES

develop deep expertise · specialize in a field · master a skill · gain competitive advantage · build professional identity · focused skill development · broad skill set · career flexibility · diverse experience · lifelong learning · multi-skill development · adaptability in the job market

10 There should be limits to freedom of expression.

FOR	AGAINST
hate speech prevention · public order · misinformation control · individual protection · social responsibility	freedom of speech · fundamental rights · censorship risk · power abuse · democratic values

USEFUL WORDS, COLLOCATIONS & PHRASES

limit freedom of expression · impose speech restrictions · regulate public discourse · prevent hate speech · protect individuals · maintain public order · control harmful content · freedom of speech · fundamental human rights · open public debate · censorship risk · abuse of power · democratic principles

11 Individual privacy should be prioritized over government security concerns.

FOR	AGAINST
privacy protection · civil liberties · personal autonomy · surveillance limits · data protection	national security · crime prevention · public safety · threat monitoring · surveillance systems

USEFUL WORDS, COLLOCATIONS & PHRASES

protect individual privacy · safeguard personal data · limit surveillance · monitor citizens · raise privacy concerns · protect civil liberties · national security measures · crime prevention strategies · public safety concerns · threat monitoring systems · surveillance practices · security-privacy balance

12 Artificial intelligence will do more harm than good in the long term.

FOR	AGAINST
job displacement · skill loss · ethical concerns · dependency · lack of control	productivity growth · innovation · automation benefits · service improvement · economic growth

USEFUL WORDS, COLLOCATIONS & PHRASES

replace human jobs · reduce labor demand · depend on AI systems · create ethical risks · lose control over technology · technological innovation · productivity increase · automation benefits · economic growth · improved efficiency · risk-benefit balance

13 Social media does more harm than good to society.

FOR	AGAINST
mental health issues · misinformation spread · addiction · superficial relationships · privacy risks	global communication · information access · social awareness · business use · community building

USEFUL WORDS, COLLOCATIONS & PHRASES

affect mental health negatively · spread misinformation · create addiction · compare lifestyles · reduce real interaction · expose personal data · global communication networks · information access · social awareness campaigns · online communities · digital interaction · responsible usage

14 Individuals are more responsible than governments for protecting the environment.

FOR	AGAINST
personal responsibility · daily habits · lifestyle choices · waste reduction · collective impact	government policy · industrial pollution · large-scale action · regulation · systemic change

USEFUL WORDS, COLLOCATIONS & PHRASES

reduce carbon footprint · adopt eco-friendly habits · change consumption patterns · recycle waste · contribute to environmental protection · environmental policies · industrial regulation · emission control · large-scale solutions · government responsibility · sustainability strategies

15 Artificial intelligence is making people less able to think independently.

FOR	AGAINST
AI dependence · reduced thinking · instant answers · passive learning · problem-solving decline	learning support · knowledge access · efficiency · decision support · digital skills

USEFUL WORDS, COLLOCATIONS & PHRASES

rely on AI tools · reduce critical thinking · accept ready-made solutions · avoid deep thinking · overuse AI systems · learning tools · knowledge access · decision-making support · digital literacy · balanced AI use · human-AI interaction