

Presenting both sides of an argument Writing Guide 4-6 and 10

8. Today you will be writing two paragraphs about the advantages and disadvantages of certain situations. The essays should address the following questions:

✔ **Essay 1:** What are the advantages and disadvantages of going on holiday with your family?

✔ **Essay 2:** What are the advantages and disadvantages of living in the city?

9. Think of at least three ideas for each of the two essays. Use these questions and ideas to form your essays.

✔ **Essay 1**

- How will you present the topic?
- What are the advantages of going on holiday with the whole family?
- What are the disadvantages?
- What is your opinion about this particular topic? (Choose a side and give a reason for your choice)

✔ **Essay 2**

- How will you present the topic?
- What are the advantages of living in the city?
- What are the disadvantages?
- What is your opinion about this particular topic? (Choose a side and give a reason for your choice)

10. Remember that you can only write a maximum of 100 words, so choose two advantages and two disadvantages to include for each topic. Plan your composition and make notes under the following headings for each topic:

✔ **Introduction:** Write general information about your topic and your position with it. How will you treat the paragraph?

✔ **Advantages and Disadvantages:** Write two paragraphs, one about the main points.

✔ **Conclusion:** Summarize your ideas. Include your own comments.

11. After you have finished, check grammar, spelling and punctuation and read carefully, and your essay through to introduce your arguments and ideas.

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