

How to write essay in English

Рекомендации по написанию сочинения с элементами рассуждения

Формат и правила написания сочинения “expressing opinion”

1. Сочинение “expressing opinion” пишется в формальном (деловом) стиле.
2. В данном типе сочинения требуется выразить свою точку зрения на заданную тему, а так же привести противоположные вашей точки зрения других людей и объяснить, почему вы с ними не согласны. Ваше мнение должно быть четко сформулировано и подкреплено примерами или доказательствами.
3. Объем сочинения 200-250 слов (слова использовать из словаря состоящего из 100 слов, можно взять меньше, если не подходит по смыслу)
4. В сочинении должны активно использоваться конструкции типа «In my opinion», «I think», «I believe», вводных слов и конструкций типа “On the one hand, on the other hand”..., слов - связок (Nevertheless, Moreover, Despite...)
5. Запрещается использование сокращения, типа “I’m”, “they’re” “don’t”, “can’t” (иначе будет снижен балл)
6. Сочинение “expressing opinion” имеет строгую структуру, изменение которой при написании сочинения приведет к снижению балла. Сочинение “expressing opinion” состоит из 2-4-х абзацев в основной части.

Тема абзаца (вступление)

Во вступлении необходимо четко сформулировать тему-проблему, указав, что существуют две противоположные точки зрения на проблему (Some people claim that mobile phones are very useful devices while others argue that life could be less stressful without them.) и высказать свое мнение, не используя слишком много личных конструкций

Рекомендуемое окончание первого абзаца: Now I would like to express my point of view on the problem of ...

2) Основная часть

1 абзац. Привести 2-3 аргумента, подтверждающих вашу точку зрения, подкрепляя их примерами или доказательствами.

Во втором абзаце вы должны придерживаться только **ОДНОЙ** точки зрения, например: Mobile phones in my opinion are very useful devices. ИЛИ I consider the mobile phone to be a harmful and useless invention.

2 абзац. Привести противоположные точки зрения (1-2), и объяснить, почему вы с ними **НЕ** согласны. Пример: However, some people think that mobile phones not only keep you in touch with your relatives and friends but also provide you with a great number of facilities. I can't agree with this statement because...

3) Conclusion (заключение)

Необходимо сделать вывод, обратившись к заданной в 1-м параграфе теме, что существуют 2 точки зрения на проблему, а также подтвердить собственную точку зрения.

Например: «There are different points of view on this problem. I think that...» или «Taking everything into consideration, there are two different points of view on this problem. I believe that...»

Useful vocabulary for composition "expressing opinion"

1 абзац Вводные фразы

It is popularly believed that..../People often claim that... Some people argue that...

A lot of people think that.../It is often suggested /believed that...

Many people are in favour of idea that... Many people are convinced that...

Some people are against...

2 абзац. Фразы, выражающие свою точку зрения:

I would like to explain my point of view on this situation.

I would like to express my opinion on this problem.

Фразы, характеризующие преимущества обсуждаемой проблемы:

As already stated I'm in favor of... for a number of reasons...

There are many things to be said in favour of.../The best/ thing about..... is...

Фразы, перечисляющие точки зрения:

Firstly, /First of all..../In the first place

To start with, / To begin with,/Secondly, Thirdly, Finally,

Last but not least,

Фразы, добавляющие новые аргументы:

Furthermore, /Moreover, /What is more,/As well as.... /In addition to this/that...

Besides, /.....also..../Not only....., but..... as well.

Apart from this/that..../not to mention the fact that

3 абзац.

Some people believe that... however they fail to understand that...
they fail to consider that... they forget that...

Some people argue that I can not agree with it as ...

I disagree with this point of view (statement, opinion) because ...

It has become fashionable for some people to argue that...

Contrary to what most people believe, I think that...

As opposed to the above ideas...I believe that...

4 абзац. Заключительные фразы:

In conclusion,/On the whole,/To conclude,/To sum up,/All in all,

All things considered/Finally,/Lastly,

Taking everything into account,

Taking everything into consideration

Выражение личного мнения:

In my opinion this subject is very controversial

In my view.../To my mind.../To my way of thinking...

Personally I believe that.../I feel strongly that...

It seems to me that.../As far as I am concerned...

My summer holidays

Introduction:

After my hard and busy school year my summer holidays began. Some people claim that spending summer holidays in the country is very useful for children's health, far away from noise and fuss of big cities while others argue that it is better to save some money and to go to abroad. However, we live in XXI century with developed high-tech technology. So, it would be better to spend holidays abroad. I fully agree with kind of opinion. I would like to explain my point of view on it and **describe** my holidays.

My summer holidays

Main part:

1 passage – one opinion (yours)

Going abroad in my opinion is very useful and exciting. It is popularly believed that going abroad is very expensive. I do not think so.

I **was looking forward to** visiting Great Britain. So, I had to finish school year very well in order to go abroad as a bonus. There were different kinds of sightseeing and entertainments there **to describe**. I was **good at** swimming but **bad at** baseball. It was very useful experience for us, because we had to get up very early, to study English lessons and in the afternoon we had a lot of activities. The lessons were **amazing**. Most of us had bad **handwriting** but it didn't matter because we speak in English, **answer** the questions best of all and we **were proud of it**. Many people are convinced that it is unsafe to travel by plane and stay in foreign country with unknown people. To my mind, it is not true.

For example, our cottage was **next to** Italian students. In our cottage we had a nice **carpet** and soft **pillows**. During my staying in Laughborough I made new friends from 7 countries and **different** nationalities, knew many useful things. For example, if somebody **was absent** at the lesson or something **was wrong with** some of students we altogether help each other at once. I **suppose**, it is very good. I wanted to tell **briefly** my staying in England but I can't because there were so many events. We **travelled** in 8 cities – Nottingham, Cambridge, Coventry and many others. What about the weather it was always raining and somewhere it was **thunder** and the roads were **muddy**.

My summer holidays

2 passage – 2 opinions

Some people think that if you are abroad it is very expensive to get in touch with your relatives and friends who stayed in your Motherland. I cannot agree with this statement because everybody has any kind of gadgets. It is so simple to type a message by using internet and What'sApp.

There should not be any **fear** because nowadays every child is very **smart** and can use all the possibilities of high-tech technologies. I consider, every kid should be **brought up** open-minded, **clever** and **brave**.

Conclusion:

There are different points of view on this problem. I think that all of them are right because every person has his own opinion and should be respected. As for me, I believe that in order to get a good education and to have a high salary everyone should think about his future in advance.

Moreover, every teenager **is eager to** become a **wealthy** person and to **reach** his goal. Nowadays, I am **convinced** everybody can **travel** just want it. It's up to you! So, I was glad to meet my school friends and teachers now. I was very happy to return home and to spend several days in my summer cottage.