Some people argue that it is more important to have an enjoyable job than to earn a lot of money. Others disagree and think that a good salary leads to a better life.

Discuss both these views and give your own opinion.

### discussion question

I believe that although this has increased the communication around the world in positive ways, it has also led to negative effects on the day-to-day social interaction of human beings.

## Introduction structure

- Paraphrase question
- Thesis statement
- Outline statement

Some people think children in secondary school should study international news as part of the curriculum. Others think that this would be a waste of time as there are already too many subjects for children to concentrate on.

Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

#### Sample IELTS essay introduction:

While some people are of the opinion that it would be useful to include international news as a subject in the school curriculum, others believe that this is a waste of students time because they are already overloaded with subjects to study. This essay will examine both sides of the issue.

- Computers are being used more and more in education. Some people say that this is a positive trend, while others argue that it is leading to negative consequences.
- Discuss both sides of this argument and then give your own opinion.

- There is an ever increasing use of technology, such as tablets and laptops, in the classroom. It is often argued that this is a positive development, whilst others disagree and think it will lead to adverse ramifications.
- This essay agrees that an increase in technology is beneficial to students and teachers. This essay will discuss both points of view.

• In conclusion, while the benefits of technology, particularly the internet, allow students to tap in to limitless sources of information, some still feel that people should be wary of this new phenomenon and not allow it to curb face to face interaction. **However**, as long as we are careful to keep in mind the importance of human interaction in education, the educational benefits are clearly positive.

- Discuss both views and give your own opinion.
- 1. Introduction (2 sentences):
- First introduce the topic. "People have different views about...".
- In the second sentence, mention both views *and* your own opinion.
- Although there are good arguments in favour of..., I personally believe that...
- 2. The first view
  - 3. The second view (Make it clear that you agree with this view)
  - 4. Conclusion: summarise both views and your own opinion

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# **Basic Structure for Both Sides Essay:**

Introduction	First sentence to introduce the general topic
	Rephrase question
	Your thesis (This essay discusses [both sides + opinion])
Body	Side 1 advantages
paragraphs	Side 2 advantages
Conclusion	Opinion
	State that both are important/has merits
	State which one is more important/better

 Advantages and disadvantages: this essay will first discuss the (main advantage(s)) followed by an analysis of the (main disadvantage(s)).

- Question: There is a good deal of evidence that increasing car use is contributing to global warming and having other undesirable effects on people's health and well-being.
- To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement?

### Good Introduction

 Rising global temperatures and human health and fitness issues are often viewed as being caused by the expanding use of automobiles. This essay agrees that increasing use of motor vehicles is contributing to rising global temperatures and certain health issues. Firstly, this essay will discuss the production of greenhouse gases by vehicles and secondly, it will discuss other toxic chemicals released by internal combustion engines.

#### Bad Introduction

 Nowadays, cars are a very popular way of getting around. Day by day many more people drive cars around but others feel that they cause global warming. Global warming is one of the most serious issues in modern life. They also affect people's health and well-being which is also a serious issue.

- Question: There is a good deal of evidence that increasing car use is contributing to global warming and having other undesirable effects on people's health and well-being.
- **Paraphrase**: Rising global temperatures and human health and fitness issues are often viewed as being caused by the expanding use of automobiles.
- The synonyms used are:
- Increasing- expanding
- Car use use of automobiles
- Global warming rising global temperatures
- People's health and well-being human health and fitness