## Opinion essay

Как удовлетворть критериям К1 и К2 при написании эссе с выражением собственного мнения в формате ЕГЭ

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## Типичные ошибки при написании эссе

- подмена одного жанра письменного высказывания другим;
- отход от темы (часто через включение заученных наизусть «топиков»);
- отсутствие развернутой аргументации;
- неумение сформулировать проблему в начале высказывания (простой повтор формулировки задания) и сделать вывод в конце;
- неправильное деление текста на абзацы;
- отсутствие использования или неправильное использование средств логической связи;
- лексико-грамматические и орфографические ошибки;
- несоблюдение требуемого объема (200-250 для С2)

#### Решение коммуникативной задачи К1 (C2) - содержание

- К1 = 3 Задание выполнено полностью: содержание отражает все аспекты, указанные в задании; стилевое оформление речи выбрано правильно (м.б.1 недочет, например, во вступлении изложена только одна точка зрения на проблему).
- К1=2 Задание выполнено: некоторые аспекты, указанные в задании, раскрыты не полностью; имеются отдельные нарушения стилевого оформления речи (м.б.недочеты по 2-3 параграфам).

#### Решение коммуникативной задачи К1 (C2) - содержание

- К1=1 Задание выполнено не полностью: содержание отражает не все аспекты, указанные в задании; нарушения стилевого оформления речи встречаются достаточно часто ( нет 1 параграфа, сочинение for/against, недочеты в 4-5 параграфах).
- К1=0 Задание не выполнено: содержание не отражает тех аспектов, которые указаны в задании или/и не соответствую требуемому объему (меньше 180 слов), или/и 30%ответаимеет непродуктивный характер (т.е.текстуально совпадает с опубликованным источником или другими экзаменационными работами (если нет полностью 3 параграфов)

#### Организация текста К2(С2)

- K2=3 Высказывание логично: структура текста соответствует предложенному плану, средства логической связи использованы правильно; текст разделен на абзацы.
- K2=2 Высказывание в основном логично; имеются отдельные отклонения от плана в структуре высказывания (4 параграфа вместо 5), имеются отдельные недостатки при использовании средств логической связи или делении текста на абзацы.

#### Организация текста К2(С2)

- K2=1 Высказывание логично: есть значительные отклонения от предложенного плана, имеются многочисленные ошибки в использовании средств логической связи, их выбор ограничен; деление текста на абзацы отсутствует.
- K2= 0 Отсутствует логика в построении высказывания; предложенный план ответа не соблюдается (если содержание K1=1, то организация K2>0).

 Try to paraphrase background information, using synonyms and different grammatical structures.

## Highlight the key words

- School classmates make the best friends.
   What is your opinion? Do you agree with this statement?
- classmates form-mates, messmates
- best friends most devoted and faithful friends
- School form-mates make the most devoted and faithful friends.

# Arrange the following items of the plan

- Express your personal opinion (2 or 3 reasons for it).
- Make an introduction (state the problem).
- Make a conclusion, restating your opinion.
- Express an opposing opinion (1-2 reasons for it). Some people think that...
- Explain why you don't agree with opposing opinion.

## Use the following plan

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- Explain why you don't agree with opposing opinion.
- Make a conclusion, restating your opinion.

#### Phrases for introduction

- According to ...
- It is often said that ...
- There is no doubt that ...
- Recently people have become concerned...
- These days, it seems that...
- Nowadays, the problem of...has become a popular topic for...
- It is often argued that...

#### Introduction

 There is no doubt that many people met their best friends while studying at school. Others claim that their most devoted and faithful friends were met after their leaving school. Whose opinion is right?

 (34 words)

## The body of the essay(paragraph2)

- Write arguments and count- arguments for the topic.
- Choose your point of view.

### The body of the essay(example1)

- My opinion:
- While growing up, people change their opinions who they consider to be their best friends. Gaining some life experience, they realize that a friend in need is a friend indeed.
- Thinking that school friends are the closest ones is only force of a habit. Old habits die hard, though.

## Count-arguments example2

- People who have affection for their schoolmates could have vivid recollection of their school time.
- Chatting with their former classmates, they cannot do without a retrospect to the former.

### Phrases to introduce arguments

- I believe that...
- Personally , I feel that...
- It seems to me that
- I must say that...
- I feel strongly that...
- I am convinced that...
- I am greatly in favour of...
- I see no reason why...

#### Linking words to introduce arguments

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- Firstly, secondly...
- Moreover,...
- Furthermore,....
- In addition,...
- Besides...
- additionally...
- What is more,...
- More than that,...

# Phrases to expand your arguments

- As a result,....
- Therefore,...
- For this reason,....
- That is why...
- As a consequence,...
- Because of it,...
- But, And, So, Also, Because-нельзя в начале предложения!

## Paragraph 2

 Personally, I am convinced that while growing up, people change their opinions who they consider to be their best friends. A primary pupil, for example, needs a mate to play or to have friendly relationship with. A secondary or high school student wants his friend to help him to cope with tests or exams ,though. In addition, gaining some life experience, people realize that a friend in need is a friend indeed.

(72 words)

#### Transition between paragraphs(2/3)

- However,...
- Nevertheless,...
- Nonetheless...
- Although,...
- Even though,...
- On the other hand,
- Never use 'secondly' if no 'firstly'

## Paragraph 3

 Nevertheless, there are some people who have affection for their classmates .They like chatting via the internet or on the phone. They claim that they have much in common and enjoy vivid recollection of their school time. As a rule, chatting with their former classmates, they cannot do without a retrospect to the former. Moreover, they are convinced that only old friends are reliable. (47 words)

# Phrases to introduce counter-arguments (paragraph 3)

- I completely disagree...
- I object to what has been said...
- I do not go along with these arguments...
- I am strongly...
- Nonetheless,...

## Paragraph 4

• I do not go along with the opinion of the people above as I strongly believe that the statement that school friends are the closest ones is only force of a habit. Old habits die hard, though.

(37 words)

#### Phrases to conclude

- To sum up,...
- In conclusion,...
- To conclude,....
- Summarising,...
- To summarise,....
- All in all,...

#### Conclusion

 To sum up, although some people think that the most devoted and faithful friends can be met while studying at school, I believe that gaining some life experience, you can meet real friends during your future life.

(34+72+64+37+37=244 words)