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## Lecture 3 Outstanding Structures for Task2 Questions Type 2 (Discussion Essays)

## Sample Question

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Whilst a number of government officials underscore the importance of economic growth as their main objective, others advocate that attention should be equally apportioned among all types of development. **There are rational arguments on both sides of this contentious topic which will be discussed in detail, followed by my own take on the matter.**

**On the one hand, there are those reasoning that economy is the cornerstone of a flourishing nation and therefore any development in this respect has far-reaching effects on other areas as well.** That is to say, inextricably intertwined with other aspects of life, economy is believed to be of central importance. This is amply illustrated by the fact that economic vitality will automatically give rise to employment opportunities on the job market. Moreover, another justification is that economy is the sole criterion for measuring success when a regime's achievements are concerned. This is mainly because of the masses' raised materialistic aspirations and the significance they attach to materialism.

**On the other hand, the opposing view asserts that making headway towards other accomplishments of equal value is just as necessary.** The most compelling reason for their assertion is that failure in handling other equally pressing matters will cause a ripple effect, thereby impinging on national economy. Take international crippling sanctions imposed on politically isolated countries for example. Failing to launch international commerce, such nations are liable to witness a significant drop in their export revenues. Apart from that, national infrastructures may simply cease to function normally if shortcomings of the whole system are not addressed properly. In other words, a booming economy is by no means the only key factor defining a successful and accomplished nation.

**To conclude, there are valid arguments on both sides of the controversy; on balance, however it is my firm conviction that attention should be paid to the improvement of all fields including politics since political chaos can have deleterious effects on a country's economic status as well. (326 words)**

Some people believe that school children should not be given homework by their teachers, whereas others argue that homework plays an important role in the education of children. **Discuss both views and give your own opinion.**

Some people would argue that it is not a good idea for teachers to assign home study tasks to school children. Others say it is an essential part of a child's educational development. **I agree with this because home study tasks help pupils achieve better exam results which give them a good chance at entering higher education.**

**On the one hand, some people hold the view that too many home assignments are not beneficial and become a burden to school children.** This is because pupils spend their whole day studying at school and they feel tired after returning home, then they have the added stress of finishing their homework. To illustrate this, in Japan the majority of 12 to 15-year-olds are under huge pressure to complete lots of homework. If they fail to finish their home assignments, they will not be able to pass their high school entrance exams. I think that pupils ought to be given home assignments but should not be put under this kind of pressure.

**On the other hand, others hold the opinion that homework plays a vital role in the development of knowledge for children.** They believe this because it helps pupils understand the topic better which then helps them get higher grades. For example, if a pupil regularly does mathematics exercise at home, they will definitely expand on their knowledge which could not be gained from solely studying at school. **I agree with this view as it improves youngsters chances of getting into college or tertiary education, therefore benefiting their job prospects.**

**To conclude, although views differ about whether homework should be given to youngsters, I believe that these assignments are necessary to help pupils get good grades which allows them to secure a place at university and improves their career prospects.**

Completing university education is thought by some to be the best way to get a good job. On the other hand, other people think that getting experience and developing soft skills is more important. **Discuss both sides and give your opinion.**

It is considered by some that being a university graduate is the key to securing a good job, while there are others who think that it is better to have experience and soft skills. **I believe that having university education is essential for academic jobs while soft skills and experience are more useful in business.**

**On the one hand, many think it is easier for most people to find a good job if they are university graduates with a good degree.** In other words, having tertiary education puts people one step ahead of others who do not and this can be the deciding factor in getting a good job. The competition to get in to universities and the increasing number of graduates show just how significant this level of education is for people's future work opportunities.

**On the other hand, having work experience and soft skills, such as leadership skills and other interpersonal skills, can also throw the balance in favour of the applicant, according to some.** For many positions there are an overwhelming number of applicants and, therefore, it is often thought that having relevant experience in that line of work or having acquired useful soft skills that can be valuable to a company, can put one ahead of the game when applying for a position.

**Finally, in my opinion, whether needing high level education or skills and experience, depends on the position being applied for.** Take for example law, medicine or teaching, it is impossible to be considered for a position without the required educational background. In contrast, in business, it would be more important for a candidate to have soft skills and experience in that line of business so they can step into a position without further training and be of immediate benefit to the company.

**In conclusion, getting a good job requires a relevant background either in experience or education depending on the type of work and field.** People should make sure they attain the necessary skills or degrees before applying for a job in order to be sure of success.

# Writing Task FIVE

Some people think that the government should be responsible for crime prevention, while others believe that it is the responsibility of the individual to protect themselves.

Discuss both sides and give your opinion. (250 Words)

# Writing Task SIX

11. Account for: **to be the reason why something happens.**

توضیح دادن دلیل چیزی، دلیل چیزی بودن  
۱۱. عوامل گوناگونی وجود دارد که دلیل گرایش‌ها به خشونت زیاد و جرم در بچه‌ها است.

12. Culprit: **the person who is guilty of a crime or doing something wrong**

مقصر، مجرم  
۱۲. زندگی پر مشغله‌ترین **مقصر** است، که شانس ارتباط بین پدر و مادرها و کودکان را کاهش داده و نمی‌گذارد کودکان به حالت عادی زندگی کرده و درس بخوانند.

13. Upsurge in/of: **a sudden increase**

افزایش ناگهانی  
۱۳. **افزایش** در میزان خشونت در رسانه‌ها ارتباط نزدیکی به رفتار خشن جوانان دارد.



# Writing Task SIX

14. Offender: **someone who is guilty of a crime**

مجرم

۱۴. همچنین، حبس اثرات بازدارنده ای داشته و می تواند **مجرمین** (بالقوه) جوان را از اینکه مجرم واقعی شوند باز دارد.

15. Imprisonment: **the state of being in prison, or the time someone spends there.**

حبس

۱۵. يك نگرانی رو به افزایش در این سالها وجود دارد که **حبس** نوع کم اثرتری از مجازات است.

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