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Lecture 6 Outstanding Structures for Task2 Questions
Type 5 (Two-Part Question Essays)

Sample Question

Increasing the price of petrol is the best way to solve growing traffic and pollution problems. **To what extent do you agree or disagree?**

What other measures do you think might be effective?

Most people agree that money cannot buy happiness. **Why is happiness difficult to define? How can people achieve happiness?**

In some parts of the world it is becoming popular to research the history of one's own family. **Why might people want to do this? Is it a positive or negative development?**

Increasing the price of petrol is the best way to solve growing traffic and pollution problems. **To what extent do you agree or disagree? What other measures do you think might be effective?**

There is no doubt that traffic and pollution from vehicles have become huge problems, both in cities and on motorways everywhere. **Solving these problems is likely to need more than a simple rise in the price of petrol.**

While it is undeniable that private car use is one of the main causes of the increase in traffic and pollution, higher fuel costs are unlikely to limit the number of drivers for long. As this policy would also affect the cost of public transport, it would be very unpopular with everyone who needs to travel on the roads. But there are various other measures that could be implemented that would have a huge effect on these problems.

I think to tackle the problem of pollution, cleaner fuels need to be developed. The technology is already available to produce electric cars that would be both quieter and cleaner to use. Persuading manufacturers and travellers to adopt this new technology would be a more effective strategy for improving air quality, especially in cities.

However, traffic congestion will not be solved by changing the type of private vehicle people can use. To do this, we need to improve the choice of public transport services available to travellers. For example, if sufficient sky trains and underground train systems were built and effectively maintained in our major cities, then traffic on the roads would be dramatically reduced. Long—distance train and coach services should be made attractive and affordable alternatives to driving your own car for long journeys.

In conclusion, I think that long-term traffic and pollution reductions would depend on educating the public to use public transport more, and on governments using public money to construct and run efficient systems.

Most people agree that money cannot buy happiness. Why is happiness difficult to define? How can people achieve happiness?

Many people agree with the idea that happiness cannot be bought. Happiness is difficult to define because everyone has a different concept of it. I think people can become happier by changing their mindset, spending time in nature and working on themselves more.

The concept of happiness is a very difficult thing to define because many people have different ideas as to what contributes happiness. Some feel that money is key, others would say that family is the main factor and yet others believe that freedom and self-expression contribute to a happy existence. To illustrate this, a study carried out by leading psychologists in the USA in 2007 over a two year period, which polled over ninety thousand people, showed that opinions varied greatly. A vast majority said that freedom and creativity were paramount while many others cited a multitude of other reasons for happiness, one of those being financial gain.

In my view, people can become much happier by introspection and meditation. When an individual works on themselves and reflects on their inner feelings it leads to emotional maturity. All too often it is easy to focus on the outside world and materialism, this can lead to a shallow existence where success can become a hollow pursuit. I believe that by spending time in nature, such as walking in the forest, meditation and working on inner feelings, a person can achieve far greater happiness than if they focus on material success such as making lots of money or pursuing fame and recognition.

To sum up, although happiness is hard to clearly define due to many differing views, I think that through meditation, introspection and time in nature an individual can develop a greater sense of well being.

In some parts of the world it is becoming popular to research the history of one's own family. **Why might people want to do this? Is it a positive or negative development?**

Exploring one's family background and history is becoming increasingly popular in numerous countries around the world. **In my opinion, through research and knowing more about one's family, people can see common trends passed through generations and useful information which can only be seen as beneficial for people's future.**

Firstly, some people look into their family history in order to discover any common trends with family members of a previous generation. This can be especially so with people who have particular skills, gifts or interests in uncommon fields. In other words, as some gifts and skills are hereditary, it can be interesting for people to learn how many others in their family shared these talents from previous generations.

Another reason for the popularity of finding out about one's family history is often due to general curiosity of one's geographical origins. That is to say, some families moved abroad, away from their own country, generations ago which resulted in them losing their original culture and adopting the culture of the country they moved to. Therefore, through research, people can learn more about their country of origin and understand more about the culture that their family originally came from.

Finally, the trend of researching family history is certainly beneficial and can help people find their place in the world. Some people feel a lack of direction in life or are dislocated from others but by learning more about their past family history, it can help them relate to the world and feel more comfortable about who they are. Take, for example, a person who feels nervous about making a certain choice in life, they may feel comforted by knowing that others in their family made the same choice many generations ago.

In conclusion, it can be advantageous for people to learn more about the family's background and origins. It would be useful for children to learn about their own family history, if this was incorporated into the school curriculum.

Writing Task ELEVEN

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Some parents buy their children whatever they ask for, and allow their children to do whatever they want.

Is this a good way to raise children? What consequences could this style of parenting have for children as they get older? (250 Words)

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