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Nowadays, most people try to balance between work and other parts of their 104 lives. Unfortunately, not many achieve this balance. What are the problems with this? Suggest some solutions to solve the problems.

In the modern world, it is possible to shop, work and communicate with people 105 via the internet and live without any face-to-face contact with others. Is it a positive or negative development?

Employers should give their staff at least a 4-week holiday a year to make 106 employees better at their jobs. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Today news plays an important role in people's lives and news media are more107influential than ever before. Why is it this case? Is it positive or negative?

### August

There are several factors that motivate people to stay in the workforce, and 108 money is the most important reason/factor. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Some scientists think that there are intelligent life forms on other planets and 109 messages should be sent to contact them. Other scientists think it is a bad idea and would be dangerous. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

Technology has changed the way children spend their free time. Do the 110 advantages outweigh the disadvantages?

In recent years, tourists have paid attention to preserving both the culture and 111 environment of the places they visit. However, some people think that it is impossible to be a responsible tourist. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this opinion?

Many people believe that good planning is the key factor to success in life, 112 while others believe that other factors like hard work or luck are important. Discuss both views and give your opinion. Research indicates that some consumers nowadays are less influenced by 113 advertising than in the past. What are the reasons for this? Do you think this is a positive or negative development?

Full-time university students spend a lot of time studying. Some say they should 114 do other activities too. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Some people think that museums should be enjoyable places to entertain115young people, while others believe that the purpose of museums is to educate.Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

In many parts of the world children and teenagers are committing more crimes. 116 Why is this happening? How should children or teenagers be punished?

Nowadays most people choose to throw away broken things instead of 117 repairing them, and replace them with new ones. Why is this happening? What problems may it lead to?

As transport and accommodation problems are increasing in many cities, 118 governments are encouraging businesses to move to rural areas. Do you think the advantages outweigh the disadvantages?

Many people think that interviews are not the best way to assess the suitability 119 of a candidate for a position. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Many people think that women should be given the same roles to male in the 120 military and police forces. Many people think that women are not suitable for this job. Discuss both views and give opinions.

### September

Giving detailed descriptions of crimes in newspapers and on TV can have 121 negative consequences, so this kind of information should be restricted in the media. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

More and more people these days work harder and longer hours and have no 122 time for family life and friends. What are the causes in your opinion for this? How is it affecting family life and society as a whole?

Some people believe that technology causes more problems for modern society 123 than it solves. Do you agree or disagree?

Nowadays people use bicycles less as a form of transport. Why is that? What 124

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Studies show that many criminals have a low level of education. For this reason, people believe that the best way to reduce crime is to educate people in prison	130

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Advanced technology has brought many beneficial changes to the world.131However, some old people today struggle with the use of technologies such as<br/>mobile phones and the Internet. How can the elderly benefit from using<br/>advanced technologies? How can the elderly be encouraged to use consumer<br/>electronics more often?

so they can get a job when leaving prison. Do you agree or disagree?

In some parts of the world traditional festivals and celebrations have 132 disappeared or are disappearing. What problems is this causing? What measures could be taken to counter this situation?

Today, many people use the internet and smartphones to transfer money to133friends, family, and businesses. Is this a positive or negative development?

### November

Some argue that patriotism is the primary cause of wars globally. Others feel 134 that it serves to prevent less ethical politicians from running a country and starting wars. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Learning at university would be more effective if men and women were	135
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### December

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Many people today would argue that cinemas are becoming irrelevant due to 138 new streaming services. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

As the number of cars increases, more money has to be spent on road systems. 139 Some people think the government should pay for this. Others, however, think that drivers should cover the costs. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Online currencies have become more common in recent years. Why is this? Is 140 this a positive or negative development?

January 2022

# Young people who commit crimes should be treated the same way as adults. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	2/1/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The issue of whether young people who commit crimes should be treated as adults as opposed to being placed in juvenile facilities is an important one. On the one hand, young offenders should be held accountable to the same extent as adults, but on the other hand, there are many factors to consider.

To begin with, young people who commit crimes deserve to be punished. If they break the law, they must be held accountable for their actions. At the same time, they are also still children. While this is the same for most people, there are special considerations for these young people. First of all, children have not fully developed their reasoning and logical skills. They don't always make good decisions. They also do not have the ability to foresee the consequences of their actions. They don't yet understand boundaries and typically place very little value on others' property. If they are not given a second chance in juvenile court, their future could be irrevocably damaged.

On the other hand, young people must understand that their actions have consequences. If they commit crimes, they must face the punishment, even if it means being incarcerated with adults. If they do not face the consequences, they will continue to break the law as they grow older. It's important for young offenders to understand that their actions have an impact on the wider society, not only on themselves.

In conclusion, while it is important to consider the age of the young offenders in question, these young people must be held accountable for their actions to the same extent as adults. At the same time, a second chance might give them the opportunity to become productive members of society, rather than criminals who harm others.

# Society is based on rules and laws. It could not function if individuals were free to do whatever they wanted. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	3/1/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In recent years, some urban areas have been grappling with the question of whether it should be permitted for people to drink beer in public places. The main problem with this is that it leads to a great deal of litter, particularly plastic glass containers. In my view, an absolute ban on drinking beer in public places is not the answer. Instead, authorities should focus on imposing stricter laws and increasing penalties to deter this problem.

In cities in which a complete ban on drinking in public places is in effect, there are still numerous people seen drinking beer in public parks, on streets and beaches. In this case, the law is not being obeyed, which means the issue is not being addressed. In order to solve this, authorities need to increase the amount of fines. They should also impose additional penalties, including community service, and create a special hotline through which people could alert the police if they catch someone drinking on the street. The benefits of such an approach are many. First, it would increase the level of law abidance in society. Second, it would create a safer, more pleasant environment for people to enjoy. Third, it would reduce the amount of pollution and plastic waste that is left on the streets after parties.

It is true that some amount of plastic litter is caused by plastic bags, plastic bottles and other plastic packaging. The answer to this is to impose higher taxes on those products. However, the amount of plastic glass beer containers on the street is so high that a complete ban on drinking beer in public places would not be worth the effort involved.

In conclusion, drinking beer in public places is indeed harmful to the environment and society in general. However, an absolute ban on drinking beer is not the answer. Instead, authorities should focus on imposing stricter laws and penalties and on raising taxes on beer, to a level that would deter people from drinking beer on the street.

# Despite the increased access to education, a significant number of people cannot read or write. What are the disadvantages and what action should the government take?

Question Type	Two-Part
Month	January
Test Date	5/1/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The ability to read and write is considered by many as a basic human right. Nevertheless, all too often, we see that the ability to read and write is not possible for a large proportion of the world's population. This is a serious problem in today's world of the knowledge economy. If we want to ensure growth, we must equip our citizens with the tools they need.

There are many consequences of illiteracy. The most obvious is limited access to information. Reading is the most efficient way to obtain information for personal or professional development and advancement. An illiterate person is unable to reach his or her full potential. The second consequence is a lack of understanding of the world. Illiterate people have no way to understand the news they hear on the radio or television. The third consequence is reduced self-esteem. An inability to read and write can lead to feelings of inadequacy and low self-esteem. Finally, illiteracy impairs a person's ability to contribute to society. A person who can't read or write is unable to fully participate in society. A person who lacks the ability to read and write is at a great disadvantage in a literate society.

To solve the problem, governments around the world must take action. The most crucial thing to remember is that there is no one-size-fits-all fix. Each country must come up with its own solutions for the problem. The good news is that there are many potential solutions. One possible solution is to offer more scholarships and financial support for students. Another possible solution is to invest in education. This could include building more schools or providing more training for teachers. The important thing is that governments should act now to solve the problem.

In conclusion, the inability to read and write is a serious problem. It impairs a person's ability to learn, grow and contribute to society. This is a problem that no country can afford to ignore.

In many countries, more and more young people are leaving school and unable to find jobs after graduation. What problems do you think youth unemployment will cause to the individual and society? Give reasons and make some suggestions.

Question Type	Problems & Solutions
Month	January
Test Date	7/1/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Youth unemployment is a growing concern in many countries and has serious implications for both the individual and society. Unemployment among young people can cause a number of problems, including financial instability, reduced self-esteem, and decreased motivation.

Financial instability is one of the biggest problems facing young people who are unemployed. Without a steady income, they are unable to pay their bills, rent, or buy food. This can result in debt, poverty, and homelessness. Reduced self-esteem is another problem associated with youth unemployment. When young people are unable to find work, they may feel like failures and their confidence can be severely damaged. This can lead to feelings of worthlessness, frustration, and hopelessness, which can impact their mental health and well-being. Decreased motivation is also a common issue for young people who are unemployed. When they are unable to find work, they may become demotivated and lose their drive to succeed. In addition to the problems faced by individuals, youth unemployment can also lead to a decrease in economic productivity and a rise in crime and social unrest. This can impact the overall stability of a country and its ability to progress and develop.

To tackle the problem of youth unemployment, there are several solutions that could be implemented. Firstly, governments could invest in education and training programs to help young people gain the skills they need to find work. Additionally, incentives could be provided to encourage employers to hire young people, such as tax breaks or subsidies. Furthermore, job creation programs could be established to create new job opportunities for young people.

In conclusion, youth unemployment is a major concern that can cause a number of problems for both individuals and society. It is important to address this issue and take action to help young people find work. By investing in education and training programs, providing incentives to employers, and creating job opportunities, we can help to reduce youth unemployment and ensure a brighter future for all.

# Some believe that people are naturally born leaders while others feel that leadership skills can develop. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	January
Test Date	8/1/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Some people are born leaders, while others become leaders through hard work and determination. The debate about whether leadership is an innate quality or a skill that can be learned has been a popular one. This essay will examine both arguments.

Leadership is an attribute that people have been born with for thousands of years. The courage, strength and perseverance of great leaders, such as Napoleon Bonaparte, were recognized by their followers. Such leaders did not become leaders simply because they had access to opportunities. They proved themselves by working hard and taking risks. Nevertheless, leadership is also a skill that can be learned. Some professionals, such as teachers or social workers, are placed in leadership positions through their work. In these occupations, leaders are trained and educated on how to do their work effectively. They are given guidance and feedback on their performance constantly. They learn how to motivate, encourage and guide others, and in this way, they become good leaders.

In my view, leadership is a combination of natural ability and skills that can be learned. The great leaders of history may have had innate leadership skills, but they also had to work hard to build on them. Today, there are many examples of people who are natural leaders but do not know how to use their skills to their full potential. They may not know how to communicate effectively with others or to promote themselves. In contrast, people who lack natural leadership ability can learn these skills. They can become good leaders by working to harness their natural abilities with new skills that they learn.

In summary, the debate about whether leadership is innate or a learned skill is difficult to resolve. I think leadership includes an innate element, but it also requires hard work and understanding from the leader.

## Every day, millions of tons of food are wasted all over the world. Why do you think this is happening? And how can we solve this problem?

Question Type	Causes & Solutions
Month	January
Test Date	9/1/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Food waste has become a major issue in today's world, with millions of tons of food being wasted every day. There are a number of reasons why this is happening, including overproduction, poor distribution systems, and a lack of understanding about the value of food.

One of the main causes of food waste is overproduction. In many countries, farmers produce more food than they can sell, and the surplus is often left to rot. This is due to a variety of factors, including an over-reliance on monoculture farming, which is vulnerable to disease and pests, as well as the lack of a proper market system to match supply and demand. Another major factor contributing to food waste is poor distribution systems. In many countries, food is transported long distances, which can result in spoilage and waste. Additionally, the lack of refrigeration and storage facilities in some areas means that food can go bad before it reaches its intended destination. A lack of understanding about the value of food is also a major contributing factor to food waste. In some cultures, food is seen as a symbol of wealth and excess, and people are more likely to waste food if they have more than enough. Additionally, people often buy more food than they need and then throw it away, due to a lack of awareness about how to store and use leftovers.

To solve the problem of food waste, a number of solutions can be implemented. Firstly, governments can encourage farmers to adopt sustainable farming practices and provide support for the development of local food systems. Secondly, they can invest in the improvement of distribution systems, such as the construction of refrigeration and storage facilities, to reduce spoilage and waste. Additionally, education and awareness campaigns can be launched to encourage people to reduce food waste by purchasing only what they need, and by storing and using leftovers properly. Finally, food waste reduction programs can be introduced in schools, hospitals, and other institutions to reduce waste and promote sustainability.

In conclusion, food waste is a major issue that has serious environmental and social impacts. By addressing the root causes of food waste and implementing effective solutions, we can help to reduce the amount of food that is wasted and ensure a more sustainable future for all.

# Some people think that the best way to solve global environmental problems is to increase the cost of fuel. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	12/1/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Global environmental problems are not disappearing. In fact, they are increasing. There are many people who believe that the high cost of fuel is the key to environmental protection. I completely agree with the idea, but, of course, there are other practical solutions to consider.

To begin with, increasing the cost of fuel would encourage people to reduce their energy consumption and switch from using private cars to public transport. This would lead to less air pollution and fewer greenhouse gas emissions. To add to this, more people would walk and ride bicycles. This would lead to better physical health, and, generally, assist in creating an environmentally friendly and sustainable society.

However, there are other ways to help the environment. First, governments could urge citizens to recycle household materials, such as plastics or metals. Second, it is important to educate people about the importance of reducing, reusing and recycling waste. Finally, governments could provide tax breaks and financial incentives to companies that produce energy-efficient products. These companies could also be encouraged to promote energy-saving technologies, such as the Internet or video conferencing.

In conclusion, although the high cost of fuel is one of the solutions to environmental problems, I do not believe that it is the only solution. Governments should consider other options to protect the environment.

## The crime rate nowadays is decreasing compared to the past due to advanced technology which can prevent and solve the crime. Do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	13/1/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Our world is increasingly safer from crime than it was in the past. Although the reduction in crime rates can be attributed to a host of factors, I would argue that the decrease in crime is primarily due to advanced technology.

Advanced technology has made our world a safer one. This is apparent in two main areas. First, the surveillance cameras are being installed everywhere. These cameras, combined with the widespread availability of Smartphone cameras, mean that people can be photographed and their actions videoed easily. Second, when a crime does occur, law enforcement agencies can use extensive forensic techniques to solve the crime. This helps to deter anyone contemplating a criminal act.

There are, of course, other explanations for the decrease in crime. Some people believe that there are more criminals now than in the past. This could be due to the fact that more people are living together in crowded environments. Crime is also said to be committed by groups of criminals, rather than individuals. This is largely true of cybercrime, which is a growing problem.

All in all, I think the main reason for the decrease in crime is advanced technology. There are still many criminals, but they operate in fear of being caught and prosecuted due to the presence of modern surveillance cameras and forensic techniques.

Some people believe that no one should do the same job for all their working life. Others argue that doing the same job brings advantages for individuals, companies, and society. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	January
Test Date	15/1/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Considered by some to be the cornerstone of a happy and productive work life, the idea of having a single, lifelong profession has been challenged recently. In fact, some individuals argue that doing the same job for an entire career is not necessarily a good idea. In this essay, I will give my personal perspective in this debate.

On the one hand, some people believe that doing the same job for an entire career is not necessarily a bad thing. For example, some jobs, such as doctors and lawyers, require years of study and practice to master. If a person is lucky enough to find a career they love, doing the same job for life could bring great joy and satisfaction. Others argue that doing the same job brings contentment and peace of mind, allowing workers to focus on other aspects of life, such as friends, family, and hobbies. Having one's job mastered is also a great source of confidence for workers, which enhances their performance and benefits society as a whole.

One the other hand, I believe that there are more benefits to doing different jobs throughout one's life. One benefit is the opportunity to gain a diverse set of skills and knowledge. Another is that workers are able to avoid getting stuck in a rut or hitting a career plateau. Being able to continuously learn and grow through new and varied experiences keeps workers engaged and motivated. For example, a computer programmer who has been in the same job for over twenty years may become bored and restless, leading to a drop in workplace performance. By changing careers and moving into a managerial position, for instance, this same computer programmer may feel rejuvenated and reenergized, which is good for both the worker and the company.

In conclusion, there are certainly advantages to doing the same job for a lifetime. However, in my opinion, changing jobs throughout one's career is more desirable. Not only does it bring personal growth and new adventures, it also provides opportunities to gain skills and knowledge that would otherwise remain untapped.

## Some people think it is more important to spend money on roads and motorways than on public transport systems. To what extent do you agree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	16/1/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In many countries, there is a debate over how to allocate public funds between transportation infrastructure, specifically roads and motorways versus public transport systems. While some argue that spending money on roads and motorways is more important, others believe that public transport systems should be prioritized. I personally believe that both modes of transportation are important and should be given equal consideration.

On the one hand, roads and motorways play a crucial role in facilitating the movement of people and goods. They are essential for economic growth and are a key factor in driving regional development. In addition, wellmaintained roads and motorways can reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety, making them a priority for investment. On the other hand, public transport systems are also important, especially in large cities, where the cost of owning and maintaining a personal vehicle is becoming increasingly unaffordable for many people. In addition, public transport systems are more environmentally sustainable than cars, and they can help to reduce air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions.

Despite the importance of both modes of transportation, I believe that spending money on public transport systems is more important in the long-term. This is because public transport systems provide a more efficient and sustainable mode of transportation that can help to reduce traffic congestion and improve air quality in urban areas. Additionally, public transport systems can be more accessible for people with disabilities, elderly individuals, and low-income families, making them a more equitable mode of transportation.

In conclusion, while both roads and motorways and public transport systems are important, I believe that public transport systems should be given greater consideration. This is because public transport systems provide a more sustainable, efficient, and equitable mode of transportation that can help to improve the quality of life for all people, regardless of their income or ability.

Some people say advertising has positive economic effects. Others think it has negative social effects because it will make people dissatisfied with who they are and what they have. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	January
Test Date	17/1/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Advertising has been a contentious issue for many years, with some people viewing it as having positive economic effects, while others believe that it has negative social effects. In this essay, I will discuss both views and provide my own opinion on the matter.

On one hand, those who believe that advertising has positive economic effects argue that it creates jobs and drives economic growth by promoting products and services. Advertising also stimulates demand for products, leading to increased production and sales. Moreover, advertising helps to increase competition and innovation in the market, which benefits consumers by providing them with more choices and better quality products.

On the other hand, those who think that advertising has negative social effects argue that it can lead to dissatisfaction with one's life and create unrealistic expectations. They believe that advertising often promotes unrealistic images and lifestyles that are unattainable for the majority of people, leading to feelings of inadequacy and low self-esteem. Furthermore, advertising can also lead to consumerism and materialism, which can have negative effects on the environment and society as a whole.

In my opinion, both views have some validity. Advertising does have economic benefits, but it also has the potential to have negative social effects. However, I believe that the negative effects of advertising can be mitigated by regulating the content and messages that are being promoted. Governments can enforce laws that regulate the representation of images and lifestyles in advertisements, ensuring that they are realistic and attainable. Additionally, media literacy programs can be implemented to educate people about how advertisements are created and the messages they convey.

In conclusion, while advertising has both positive and negative effects, I believe that the negative effects can be mitigated through regulation and education. By ensuring that advertisements promote realistic and attainable images and lifestyles, and by educating people about the messages being conveyed, we can ensure that advertising continues to have positive economic effects, while avoiding negative social consequences.

## The increase in the production of consumer goods results in damage to the natural environment. What is the cause of this? What can be done to solve this problem?

Question Type	Causes & Solutions
Month	January
Test Date	19/1/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The increase in the production of consumer goods has had a significant impact on the natural environment, causing damage to ecosystems and wildlife habitats. This problem is caused by a number of factors, including the use of finite natural resources, the production of waste and pollutants, and the emission of greenhouse gases.

The main cause of the damage to the environment caused by the production of consumer goods is the reliance on finite natural resources, such as oil, gas, and minerals. The extraction and processing of these resources not only consumes large amounts of energy, but also produces significant amounts of waste and pollution. This leads to the degradation of ecosystems, deforestation, and the loss of biodiversity. Another cause of environmental damage is the production of waste and pollutants. The production and disposal of consumer goods results in the generation of a significant amount of waste, including plastics, electronics, and packaging materials. This waste often ends up in landfills, where it can leach harmful chemicals into the soil and groundwater, polluting the environment and posing a risk to human health.

To solve this problem, a number of measures can be taken. Firstly, governments can implement policies that encourage the use of renewable energy and the reduction of waste and pollution. This could include tax incentives for companies that adopt sustainable practices, as well as regulations that limit the use of finite natural resources. Secondly, consumers can also play a role in reducing the environmental impact of consumer goods. This can be done by choosing products that are made from sustainable materials, and by reducing waste by reusing and recycling. Finally, companies can also take responsibility for their impact on the environment by implementing sustainable practices throughout their supply chains. This could include reducing energy consumption, reducing waste and pollution, and sourcing materials from sustainable sources.

In conclusion, the increase in the production of consumer goods is a major contributor to environmental damage. To solve this problem, a combination of government policies, consumer choices, and corporate responsibility is required. By taking action now, we can help to protect the natural environment for future generations.



Many people argue that in order to improve educational quality, high school students are encouraged to make comments or even criticism of their teachers. Others think it will lead to a loss of respect and discipline in the classroom. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	January
Test Date	20/1/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The relationship between teachers and students is an important one. Those who argue that students should be able to evaluate their teachers often do so from a high-minded perspective – that students should be able to express their opinions. Others simply want to maintain teachers on their toes.

There are many benefits to the to-and-fro between teachers and students. If students feel they have a voice, they may be more engaged in learning. They may seek out additional information or resources to reinforce or challenge their learning. This sense of engagement can lead to greater commitment to the educational process. Teachers can also benefit from this exchange. They can receive feedback which helps them modify their teaching approach and methodology.

On the other hand, there can be pitfalls to this approach. The decorum of a classroom can be easily damaged by students who feel they can behave any way they like. Discipline problems can escalate and the noise level in a classroom can become excessive and distracting, making learning harder. Further, some students may use these evaluations unfairly to vent their emotions or frustrations. This can cause tension and genuinely help no one.

In my view, teachers and students can and should have open and constructive communication. This can help to cultivate trust and mutual respect in the classroom. Students should be able to evaluate their teachers and express their opinions freely, but this should be done in a respectful way, with the other person's dignity maintained.

Some people think the main benefit of international cooperation is in the protection of the environment, while others think that the main benefits are in the world business. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	January
Test Date	23/1/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

International cooperation is the process in which countries work together toward a shared goal. Some people think that the key benefit of international cooperation is in the protection of the environment. Others think that the main benefits are in the world business. In this essay, I shall discuss the benefits of both, and give my own opinion of the matter.

On the one hand, environmentalists point out that international cooperation can protect the environment. They believe that countries which cooperate in this way can share information about new discoveries in the field of renewable energy, better ways to reduce pollution, more efficient ways to recycle waste, and other strategies to preserve the environment. They also suggest that governments can offer each other economic incentives to reach their environmental goals.

On the other hand, proponents of business work argue that international cooperation can boost the global economy. They claim that countries which cooperate in international business can 3 create more jobs, make more profits, increase tax revenues, and improve standards of living. They also suggest that international cooperation in business can help to reduce the likelihood of trade wars, create more business opportunities, and foster peace between countries.

In my opinion, the main benefit of international cooperation is in the protection of the environment. I believe that it is critical for countries to cooperate in this way to address the global pollution crisis. The future of our planet depends upon what we do today.



Many countries spend large amounts of money on preparing competitors in major world sporting events such as the Olympic Games and football World Cup. Instead, this money can be spent on encouraging children to take up sports at a young age. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	24/1/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

There is no denying that many countries spend large amounts of money on preparing their athletes for major sporting events such as the Olympic Games and the World Cup. However, the question of whether this money could be better spent on encouraging children to take up sports is a complex one. On one hand, investing in young people can have a long-term positive impact on the health and well-being of the population, and can help to build a stronger sporting culture in the country. On the other hand, preparing competitors for major sporting events can have a number of benefits, both for the athletes themselves and for the country as a whole.

One of the main arguments in favor of investing in young people is that it can help to build a healthy and active society. By encouraging children to take up sports at a young age, they can develop a lifelong love of physical activity and develop healthy habits that will serve them well throughout their lives. This can help to reduce the burden of chronic diseases and improve overall health outcomes, which can be a significant benefit for the country as a whole.

On the other hand, investing in major sporting events can also have a number of positive benefits. For athletes, participating in these events can provide them with opportunities to showcase their skills and compete at the highest level. This can help to boost their careers and provide them with exposure to new opportunities.

For the country, hosting or participating in major sporting events can have a number of positive impacts. These events can provide a boost to the economy, generate tourism, and improve the country's international reputation. Furthermore, preparing for these events can also help to develop infrastructure and facilities, which can have lasting benefits for the country and its citizens.

In conclusion, while investing in young people and encouraging them to take up sports can have long-term benefits, preparing for major sporting events can also provide a number of positive outcomes. Ultimately, the best approach may be to find a balance between these two priorities, so that the country can benefit from both. By investing in young people and encouraging a love of physical activity, while also preparing for major sporting events, countries can reap the benefits of both approaches and build a stronger, healthier, and more active society.

## In the past, people stored knowledge in books. Nowadays people store knowledge on the internet. Do you think the advantages outweigh the disadvantages?

Question Type	Advantages & Disadvantages
Month	January
Test Date	26/1/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The last few decades have witnessed the dawn of the digital age. Every day, millions of people around the world go online, seeking information and completing a vast range of tasks. This reliance on the internet has triggered a revolution in the way we live, work and communicate, with both advantages and disadvantages.

As technology continues to change and grow, the internet has become the 'modern' library. Instead of going to a library and looking for information in a book, people type keywords into search engines. Instead of spending valuable time writing letters, people send emails. Instead of driving to a bank, people access their accounts online. The internet has become an integral part of our daily lives and it seems that, for some people, the internet has become a substitute for face-to-face communication and interaction with others.

The main advantage of the internet is that it saves time and effort. Not only does it save people time, it also offers them the opportunity to do things that would otherwise have been impossible. For instance, it has allowed people to work from home or to run their own small businesses. Similarly, the internet has simplified many tasks. Instead of having to go to a shop, for example, people can order whatever they need online. All this means that, instead of spending their time doing chores, people can spend more time with their friends and family.

While the internet has brought many benefits, it has also created a number of problems. The internet has allowed people to share all kinds of information, including good and bad things. For example, it has given people the opportunity to cheat on their school or university exams. There have been instances, for example, where people have posted the exam questions online and then shared the answers with students in a particular class. As a result, many institutions have banned the use of mobile phones and other electronic devices during exams.

In conclusion, the internet has created numerous opportunities and made life more convenient for people. However, it has also created a number of problems. I personally believe that the advantages outweigh the disadvantages, but at the same time, we should be careful about how we use the Internet. Some people feel that the government should regulate the level of violence for films of television and cinema. Others feel that violent films should not be released. Discuss both views and give your opinion?

Question Type	Discussion
Month	January
Test Date	29/1/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Violence is a pervasive phenomenon in our society. It seems that it can be found everywhere, from the ways people interact with one another, to the news reports we hear on the radio and the stories that fill our books. Despite so much violence in the world, there is a debate as to whether we should regulate what we watch in the media.

The case against regulating violence in the media is that in a democratic society, people should have the freedom to express themselves. If the government is allowed to censor what we watch, it can be the first step toward much more restrictive controls. Violence is part of life and it is unrealistic to expect that it would be completely absent from films and television. Some people actually enjoy violent films and would be annoyed if they were regulated or censored.

On the other hand, there is strong argument in favour of regulating violent films. Some people are strongly affected by what they watch. Children, in particular, may not be able to tell the difference between fantasy and reality. Children may model their behavior on characters that they see in films. If a child sees a violent film, he or she could begin to act out the violence in real life. The result could be violent actions against friends, family members or other children. Many of the violent films that are available on the market today are rated for adults. Children can see these films in the homes of their friends or by renting or illegally downloading them. Parents may not even be aware of what their children are watching.

In conclusion, whether or not to regulate violent films raises important issues about freedom of expression. While there is certainly a case for freedom of expression, it is also clear that violence in films can have a negative effect on children. There is, therefore, a strong case for regulating the amount of violence that is depicted in films shown to children. At the same time, censorship of films for adults would be going too far. A balance should be found so that people can enjoy films without feeling concerned about the effects of violence on other members of society, especially on children. Many people depend on their cars for everyday domestic, social, and working needs. However, unlimited use of cars causes a number of problems. What are some of these problems? What can be done to reduce the use of cars?

Question Type	Problems & Solutions
Month	January
Test Date	1/10/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The automobile has become a basic necessity in today's society. It was first invented in the mid-1800s, and today it is used all over the globe, especially in big cities. Unfortunately, it has taken a heavy toll on our planet.

Excessive automobile use causes numerous problems. First, it causes air pollution. The main culprits are the exhaust chemicals of gasoline. They react with sunlight to form smog, and they also cause the formation of clouds of tiny particles of pollution. Smog irritates the eyes and lungs of people and even creates short-term health problems. Some of this pollution is caused by the fact that Americans drive millions of unnecessary trips each year. Another problem caused by excessive car use is traffic congestion. This leads to a considerable waste of time and fuel. Finally, cars are responsible for a significant percentage of the greenhouse gases that lead to climate change. People use cars to get to work, school, stores, friends' houses, and restaurants, even when they are just a few blocks from their destination. Car exhausts emit carbon dioxide and other gases that contribute to the greenhouse effect. Climate change has already caused noticeable problems, and more are expected. Over time, it will affect every aspect of life on this planet.

One solution is to promote the use of mass transit, an environmentally friendly and efficient form of transportation. Public transportation benefits local communities socially, economically, and environmentally. It's also affordable, since automobile expenses such as insurance, gasoline, maintenance, and repairs are reduced or eliminated.

In conclusion, many people cannot imagine their lives without a car. However, there is no question that cars cause many problems. We need to do everything in our power to reduce the use of cars in cities around the world.

# Intelligence is the most important quality of leaders. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	2/10/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Some individuals are of the opinion that intelligence is the most important quality of leaders. I, however, tend to disagree. In my opinion, both intelligence and honesty are integral to be an effective leader.

To begin with, intelligence is essential for leaders. Without a certain level of intelligence, it is difficult to lead a team. A leader has to be intelligent enough to make the right decisions. Successful leaders, such as Bill Gates, Mark Zuckerberg, and Jack Ma, all have extremely sharp minds.

However, this does not mean that honesty is not important. After all, leaders are trustworthy and they need to be fair in spite of the circumstances. In order to make good decisions, these leaders need to have all the information. To get this information, they need to have an open line of communication with their employees. If their employees are not honest, then the leaders will not be able to make the best possible decisions. The leaders could end up making a wrong decision which could affect the company badly. Therefore, I believe that honesty is also an important quality of a leader.

In conclusion, intelligence and honesty are both integral to be an effective leader. However, I still believe that honesty is slightly more important as without it, decisions can be misleading.

## Many employees may work at home with the modern technology. Some people claim that it can benefit only workers, not employers. Do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	6/10/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The rise of modern technology has led to an increase in the number of employees working from home, and the debate over the benefits and drawbacks of this trend continues. While some people claim that telecommuting is beneficial only for workers and not for employers, I disagree. In my opinion, both employees and employers can benefit from remote work arrangements, and the impact on each group will depend on the specific circumstances.

One of the main benefits of telecommuting for employees is the increased flexibility and autonomy it provides. By working from home, employees can create their own schedules, set their own work pace, and enjoy a more relaxed and comfortable working environment. This can help to reduce stress and increase overall job satisfaction, which can lead to improved performance and greater productivity.

Employers can also benefit from telecommuting arrangements, particularly when it comes to reducing costs. By eliminating the need for a physical office space, employers can save money on rent, utilities, and other overhead costs. Additionally, telecommuting can help to increase the pool of potential employees, as remote work arrangements can make it possible for people who live far away or have other commitments to participate in the workforce.

However, it's important to note that telecommuting is not a solution that will work for every employer and employee. Some workers may find it difficult to stay focused and motivated while working from home, while others may struggle to balance their work and personal life. Additionally, remote work arrangements may not be suitable for all types of jobs, such as those that require frequent interaction with colleagues or close supervision.

In conclusion, the benefits of telecommuting for both employees and employers can depend on a variety of factors, including the type of work being performed and the personal circumstances of the workers. While telecommuting may not be a perfect solution for every worker or employer, it can be an effective way to increase flexibility, reduce costs, and improve job satisfaction for both parties.

# The most important function of music is that it helps people reduce stress. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	8/10/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Music is a powerful and universal form of art that has a significant impact on the lives of people around the world. Some people argue that the most important function of music is to help reduce stress, and that it plays a critical role in mental and emotional health. While I agree that music can be an effective tool for managing stress, I believe that it serves many other important functions as well.

One of the reasons why music is so effective at reducing stress is because it has the ability to evoke strong emotions and memories. Listening to music can trigger the release of feel-good chemicals like dopamine in the brain, which can help to alleviate feelings of anxiety, depression, and stress. Furthermore, music can provide a form of distraction and serve as a form of escapism from the pressures of daily life.

In addition to its ability to reduce stress, music also serves many other important functions in society. It has the power to bring people together, promoting social cohesion and community building. Music can also be used as a means of self-expression, as well as a tool for promoting political and social change. It can also be a source of inspiration, a medium for exploring complex ideas, and a means of preserving cultural heritage.

However, it is important to recognize that music is not a panacea for stress and emotional distress, and that it is not effective for everyone in the same way. Some people may find that music exacerbates feelings of anxiety or depression, while others may simply not enjoy listening to it. Additionally, the effectiveness of music as a stress-reliever may depend on factors like personal taste and cultural background.

In conclusion, while I agree that music has the ability to help people reduce stress, I believe that it serves many other important functions as well. Whether used as a tool for emotional healing, a means of self-expression, or a medium for cultural preservation, music has the power to enrich our lives in countless ways.

# Everyone should stay at school until 18. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	9/10/2022

# Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The idea of mandating that everyone stays in school until they are 18 years old has been the subject of much debate. On one hand, proponents of this idea argue that staying in school for an extra two years can provide students with valuable opportunities to gain knowledge, skills, and experience that will serve them well throughout their lives. On the other hand, opponents argue that such a mandate would be unfair and unproductive.

In my opinion, while I agree that staying in school can be beneficial, I do not believe that everyone should be required to stay until the age of 18. Instead, the decision to stay in school or not should be left to the individual student, based on their own interests, abilities, and goals.

One of the main arguments in favor of requiring everyone to stay in school until the age of 18 is that it would help to reduce the number of young people who are not prepared for the workforce. By providing additional time for students to develop their skills and knowledge, they would be better equipped to succeed in the job market. Additionally, staying in school for an extra two years could help students to develop better study habits, and to build strong relationships with teachers and classmates.

However, I believe that mandating that everyone stay in school until they are 18 is unfair and unproductive. For one thing, it ignores the fact that different students have different needs and abilities. Some students may be ready to leave school at the age of 16, while others may need to stay until they are 18 or older. Forcing all students to stay in school until they are 18 may result in students who are bored and disengaged, leading to low morale, poor academic performance, and a lack of motivation.

In conclusion, while staying in school can be beneficial for many students, I do not believe that everyone should be required to stay until the age of 18. Instead, the decision to stay in school or not should be based on individual needs, abilities, and goals, and should be made with the guidance and support of parents, teachers, and guidance counselors.

# Many people use written language in a less formal way and in a relaxed way than in the past. Why is that so? Does this development have more advantages or disadvantages?

Question Type	Two-Part
Month	January
Test Date	13/10/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In recent times, the use of written language has undergone a shift from a more formal tone to a more relaxed one. This change is due to several reasons, but the rise of digital communication and the prevalence of informal settings have played the largest role. In this essay, I will discuss the reasons for this change and whether it has more advantages or disadvantages.

One reason for this shift is the widespread use of digital communication, such as instant messaging, texting, and social media. These forms of communication allow for a more relaxed and informal approach to writing, as people feel a sense of distance and anonymity. This relaxed tone can be seen in the use of slang, abbreviations, and emojis, all of which are now considered acceptable in these digital contexts.

Another reason is the prevalence of informal settings, such as online forums and discussion groups, where participants are more likely to use a casual tone in their writing. In these forums, people feel a sense of community and friendship that encourages them to be more relaxed and informal in their writing style.

On the one hand, this relaxed tone in written language can have advantages. It can make communication more approachable and friendly, and can also help to break down barriers and promote understanding between people. This can lead to a greater sense of community and connectedness, especially in online forums and discussion groups.

On the other hand, this shift towards a more relaxed tone can also have disadvantages. For example, it can lead to a lack of precision and clarity in communication, which can make it difficult to convey important information accurately. Additionally, it can also be difficult to determine the tone and intent of a message when it is written in an informal way, leading to confusion or misunderstanding.

In conclusion, the shift towards a more relaxed and informal tone in written language can be attributed to the rise of digital communication and the prevalence of informal settings. While it has some advantages, such as promoting a sense of community, it also has disadvantages, such as a lack of precision and clarity. Ultimately, the best approach to written language will depend on the context and purpose of the communication.

# The unlimited use of cars may cause many problems. What are those problems? In order to reduce this problem, should we discourage people from using cars?

Question Type	Two-Part
Month	January
Test Date	14/10/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Cars were first invented roughly 130 years ago, but it wasn't until the 20th century that car usage grew exponentially. Most drivers will agree that automobiles have made life easier, but it is also true that cars have greatly increased problems for the world, including environmental degradation, pollution, road accidents, and congestion.

The most serious problem is that cars create air pollution. Burning petrol and diesel causes smog, which contributes to global warming and harms the ozone layer. Many city roads are frequently choked with traffic. Drivers stuck in such "jams" often inhale dangerous levels of air pollution, which can lead to serious health problems. A second problem is related to the first—heavy traffic causes road accidents. When cars drive too close together at high speeds, the likelihood of misjudgements and mistakes increases. Many individuals, families and communities have suffered the consequences of car accidents. A third problem is that car use leads to an increase in parking problems. Many drivers work far away from home and spend hours each day looking for a parking space close to their office. Around the world, parking lots are taking over land that could be dedicated to other land uses, such as parks, gardens and playgrounds.

To mitigate these problems, it is imperative that governments discourage car usage and encourage the use of public transit systems. This can be achieved by increasing the cost of car fuel through taxes and surcharges, which will provide the necessary funding to improve and expand public transit systems. Ultimately, reducing our dependence on cars and promoting more sustainable modes of transportation is essential to ensure a healthy and livable future for generations to come.

In conclusion, the widespread use of cars has brought numerous benefits to society, but it has also created numerous problems, and restricting the use of cars is the key solution.

# The best way to solve the world's environmental problems is to increase the cost of fuel for cars and other vehicles. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	22/10/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Environmental problems such as smog, climate change and air pollution continue to plague the world. Whilst there is no simple or singular solution, a number of measures can be taken to help ameliorate the situation. One such solution is to raise the cost of fuel for cars.

Raising the cost of gas for cars and other vehicles would have both positive and negative effects. It would be positive in that it would discourage people from using their cars as often. This would result in less traffic and fewer carbon emissions, thereby decreasing overall pollution. On the other hand, an increase in fuel price would be negative for individuals and families who are already struggling to make ends meet.

An increase in fuel cost might also result in a lack of available fuel. This would pose an obvious problem for individuals and families who rely on cars to transport them to and from work, school or anywhere else they need to go. Unless they live in a city with a good public transportation system, they could be severely limited in their choices.

In conclusion, raising the cost of fuel would have both advantages and disadvantages. Fuel would become a scarce commodity and people would be encouraged to drive their cars less. At the same time many people would be seriously inconvenienced by the limited access to fuel. Therefore, this is not the best way to solve the world's environmental problems.

Directors of large organizations earn much higher salaries than ordinary employees do. Some people think it is necessary, but others hold that it is unfair. Discuss both views and give your own opinions.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	January
Test Date	23/10/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

A disparity exists between the salaries of ordinary employees and senior executives in organizations. Some people believe that this gap is necessary in order to motivate executives to do their absolute best for the company. Others feel that the huge disparity is unfair and socially damaging.

On the one hand, many business owners and executives believe they must pay their senior personnel huge salaries, in order to keep them. Without a significant incentive, senior executives claim that they would not be motivated to maintain the company's sales and earnings. These individuals feel that they receive the lowest salaries in the organization, relative to their responsibilities. As a result, they are under a great deal of stress and pressure.

On the other hand, many people feel that senior executives are already well compensated for their work. Fine restaurants and luxurious holidays, for example, are usually given to executives as incentives and rewards. In addition, they receive a raft of extra benefits not provided to ordinary employees. These include bonuses, stock options and retirement packages.

In my view, the gap between executive and ordinary employee salaries is unnecessary. The pressure put on executives to increase productivity can be just as well applied to ordinary employees, who would in turn, strive to put in extra effort. At the same time, the high salaries paid to executives do not make life better for ordinary staff, who often feel disgruntled and resentful. Perhaps the most important point is that paying ordinary employees more would enable them to enjoy a better quality of life.

In conclusion, many senior executives deserve the high salaries and special benefits they receive. However, there exists a vast gap between them and ordinary employees, which is out of balance. This gap not only creates social inequity, but also causes a great deal of dissatisfaction and unrest in organizations.

# Solving environmental problems should be the responsibility of one international organization rather than each national government. Do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	26/10/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The planet is experiencing a number of pressing environmental problems, such as global warming, weather changes, and pollution. The question is which agency is best equipped to deal with these issues: government or international agencies. In my opinion, the latter play a crucial role.

The main reason for this is that many environmental issues do not recognize political boundaries. They are not limited to a single country or region. For example, the problem of carbon emissions does not start or finish in one particular country. It is produced by factories and vehicles across the globe. Therefore, a single international body that has the power to regulate the environment worldwide is the best solution. Another reason why this is the case is that governments are often pre-occupied with their own political and economic problems. They are slow to react to new issues that arise. By contrast, international agencies are more nimble and can take action more quickly. A third reason is that environmental problems require international cooperation. No country can successfully tackle the issue of global warming on its own. What is required is global agreement on how to reduce emissions, how to check the levels of carbon and so on. International agencies are the best way to achieve such cooperation.

Despite these reasons, there are also good reasons to believe that governments should be the first port of call for dealing with environmental issues. One reason is that governments are closer to the issues than international agencies. They have an intimate knowledge of the local environment and are in touch with the people who live in a particular country. Governments are often more responsive to the needs and wishes of their citizens. A second reason is that governments are responsible for the well-being of their citizens. They have more power than international agencies and can take action more quickly. For example, they can ban dangerous products or mandate new technologies. A final reason is that it is more democratic for governments to deal with environmental issues. Citizens can vote in or out governments, whereas international agencies are not elected.

In conclusion, environmental problems are critical issues for the future well-being of humanity. As such, they need to be tackled by the most appropriate agency, which is neither governments nor international agencies. The real solution will be a combination of both.

Interviews form the basic selecting criteria for most large companies. However, some people think that the interview is not a reliable method of choosing whom to employ and that there are other better methods. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	27/10/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Interviews are the most common way of selecting employees in job applications. However, I believe that this is not the best way.

To begin with, the interview is a short way of assessing the qualifications of a candidate. The interview is a direct way of evaluating the characteristics, skills and knowledge of the candidate. This is a simple mechanism for selecting employees.

Nevertheless, I suppose the interview is not necessarily reliable. Some of the questions are standardized and some of the answers are rehearsed and not genuine. Interviewers usually only choose candidates who are good at responding to these standard questions and know how to script good responses. Additionally, human interactions are uncertain and could result in misjudgments. The interviewer may consider that a candidate who is nervous or looks nervous is not a good fit, when in fact the opposite may be true. On the other hand, a candidate may consider that an interviewer who seems friendly is an easy-going person, when in fact he or she is a very demanding boss. In these situations, good candidates can be overlooked.

In conclusion, the interview is a simple but unreliable way of selecting employees. There are more reliable ways to assess the qualifications of candidates, such as organizing a competition, or providing a test that accurately measures a candidate's abilities.

# As well as making money, businesses also have social responsibilities. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	29/10/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The same businesses that drive the global economy are also responsible for environmental problems, including global warming and the depletion of non-renewable resources. For this reason, it is important to assess the social responsibilities of companies.

On the one hand, profits are essential for businesses to survive. They are needed to pay salaries, suppliers, rent and other expenses. Furthermore, business profits drive economic growth. However, businesses also have a need to respect the environment. Only by taking care of the environment can businesses ensure that they have ongoing operations. For instance, oil companies must strive to minimize oil spills that could destroy marine and coastal ecosystems. Mining companies must ensure that they do not exploit forests and nature trails in their search for resources. Construction companies must make efforts to mitigate noise and pollution in the vicinity of their building sites.

On the other hand, all people, including businesses, must recognize that the world does not belong to them. They must share it with other humans, as well as with animals and plants. The environmental damage caused by humans of all types and backgrounds is staggering. Only by taking responsibility and care of nature can we be sure that future generations will have a world to live in. Alone, no business can provide the capital or the technology to solve the world's environmental problems. But with the collaboration of governments, NGOs and individuals, businesses can play an important role. Their place in the world is unique. Without them, there would be no economy. At the same time, they have the opportunity to set and follow the highest standards of environmental responsibility.

In brief, it is not enough for businesses to focus purely on making money. They must also take care of the world in which they operate. Only then can they be considered socially responsible.

# There have been many inventions in the human history, such as the wheel. Some people think the most important thing is the internet. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this opinion?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	5/11/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

I completely agree with the statement that the internet is the most important invention in human history. The internet has revolutionized the way we live, work and communicate with each other. It has opened up a world of opportunities and has made information accessible to all.

The internet has changed the way we work by providing us with a platform for remote work, allowing people to work from anywhere in the world. It has made communication faster, cheaper and more accessible. People can now connect with each other from any part of the world, with just a few clicks. This has helped to break down barriers and bring people closer together.

In addition, the internet has revolutionized the way we access information. With just a few clicks, we can find information on any topic imaginable. This has made learning easier and more accessible. The internet has also made it possible for people to share their knowledge and ideas with others. This has led to an explosion of creativity and innovation, which has had a positive impact on all aspects of our lives.

The internet has also had a profound impact on the global economy. It has opened up new markets and created new jobs, while making it easier for businesses to reach customers all over the world. The internet has made it possible for small businesses to compete with large corporations, giving people greater choice and helping to drive innovation.

In conclusion, the internet is without a doubt the most important invention in human history. It has changed the way we live, work, communicate and access information, and has had a profound impact on the global economy. Its continued development will continue to shape the future and will play an increasingly important role in our lives.

# Nowadays young people are admiring media and sports stars, even though they do not set a good example. Do you think this is a positive or negative development?

Question Type	Positive/Negative
Month	January
Test Date	8/11/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

It is undoubtedly a negative development that young people are admiring media and sports stars who do not set a good example. This trend has far-reaching implications for the future of society, as young people are influenced by the behavior and attitudes of those they admire.

Media and sports stars have a powerful platform and a large audience, which makes it essential that they set a positive example for young people. Unfortunately, many media and sports stars are known for their negative behavior, such as drug use, criminal activity, and poor attitude towards others. This sends a message to young people that these behaviors are acceptable, which can lead to a breakdown in moral values and a lack of respect for others.

Furthermore, admiring media and sports stars who do not set a good example can have a negative impact on young people's self-esteem and confidence. When young people see media and sports stars who are famous for their negative behavior, it can make them feel that they cannot measure up, which can lead to feelings of inadequacy and low self-esteem.

In addition, this trend also perpetuates a culture of celebrity worship, where people are more concerned with the lives of celebrities than with their own lives. This can lead to a lack of focus on personal development and a neglect of important responsibilities and relationships.

In conclusion, the trend of admiring media and sports stars who do not set a good example is a negative development that has far-reaching implications for society and the future. It is essential that media and sports stars set a positive example for young people, so that they can grow up to be responsible and respectful members of society.

# Some people think history has nothing or little to tell us, but others think that studying the past history can help us better understand the present. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	January
Test Date	19/11/2022

# Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

History has always been of interest to people. Some believe that it has little to teach us about the present, arguing that we should focus on the challenges of the modern world; other believe that we can learn a lot from studying history. I believe that there are lessons to learn from history as well as from the present and that both are important for us to understand the world we live in.

On the one hand, there are those who argue that history is outdated and has no bearing on the present. They point out that we live in a completely different world from the past and that studying history can only make us live in the past. They argue that it is important for people to concentrate on the present as there are many challenges that need to be solved and that we should not be distracted by irrelevant issues.

On the other hand, others argue that studying the past can teach us lessons and help us prepare for the future. They point out that even if we live in a different world, there are many people who are still living in various stages of history. They argue that the past teaches us about the problems we face, what has been done to resolve them and how well those solutions work. They also argue that history teaches us about human nature and that we can use this knowledge to better understand people today.

In my opinion, history can teach us many lessons about the present and should not be ignored. It also has its own value, which is independent of its usefulness in the present. We should learn both from history and the present, as each has a lot to offer.

# Some people think that the best way to improve road safety is to increase the minimum legal age for driving a car or motorbike. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	27/11/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

There have been many debates about the best ways to improve road safety. One suggestion is to raise the minimum legal age for driving a car or motorbike. This approach is aimed at reducing the frequency of road accidents by keeping inexperienced drivers off the road.

Raising the legal age is an effective way to improve road safety. First and foremost, it would prevent many fatal accidents. Many drivers are not fully aware of the risks that they face on the road every day. For example, speeding, texting or drink driving are common factors that cause fatalities. Young drivers are prone to indulge in such risky behaviors, especially when they have friends in the car. Most young drivers do not have the experience to make informed choices and avoid taking dangerous risks. Raising the legal age would give them the opportunity to mature and only when they are in a better position to make sound decisions should they be allowed to drive.

In addition to reducing fatalities, raising the legal driving age would also mean that there would be fewer injuries. Most injuries occur as a result of high speeds. Young people are less likely to have a clear understanding of the dangers of driving at high speeds, and are thus, more likely to be involved in high speed accidents. As they grow older, drivers develop more skill and experience, and are less likely to be involved in accidents. This is one reason why many insurance companies offer discounted rates to experienced drivers.

Finally, driving can also be a stressful activity. Teenagers face tremendous social and academic pressure. They may be tempted to take risks when they are in a car with their friends. For this reason, a minimum driving age of about 25 would reduce the stress that many teenagers feel.

In conclusion, I believe that raising the minimum driving age would significantly reduce the number of accidents and fatalities on the roads. This would greatly increase the safety of everyone who travels on the roads.

# Some people find advertisements amusing or annoying and they are not influenced by this when they shop. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	30/11/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

I partially agree that some people find advertisements amusing or annoying and are not influenced by them when they shop. While it is true that some people have a strong enough sense of self and are not swayed by advertising messages, the vast majority of people are influenced by advertising in some way.

Advertising is a powerful tool that has the ability to influence people's attitudes and behaviors. Companies invest billions of dollars into advertising campaigns in the hopes of reaching their target audience and convincing them to purchase their products. Advertisements are designed to be appealing and memorable, which makes them difficult to ignore, even for those who find them annoying.

For many people, advertisements can have a subliminal effect, influencing their thoughts and behaviors without them realizing it. For example, an advertisement for a particular product may create a need for it, even if the person did not previously think they needed it. This can lead people to make purchases that they would not have otherwise made.

Moreover, advertisements can also play on people's emotions, appealing to their desires and fears in order to influence their purchasing decisions. For example, an advertisement for a weight loss product may appeal to people's fears of being overweight, while an advertisement for a luxury car may appeal to their desire for status and success.

In conclusion, while it is true that some people find advertisements amusing or annoying and are not influenced by them when they shop, the majority of people are influenced by advertising in some way. Advertisements are designed to be appealing and memorable, and they play on people's emotions and desires, which makes them difficult to ignore.

# Nations should spend more money on skills and vocational training for practical work, rather than on university education. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	1/12/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The question of whether nations should spend more money on practical skills and vocational training in place of university education is the topic of much heated debate around the world. This is of concern to many governments, who need to find ways to sustainably manage the costs of the aging population, while providing adequately for the rising demand for education. It is also a concern to individuals, who are faced with the challenge of choosing the most appropriate education path for their future. In my view, it is important for governments to strike a balance, where both university education and skills and vocational training are adequately funded.

On the one hand, when governments spend money on vocational training, they ensure that individuals have the ability to contribute to the workforce immediately. This alleviates some of the burden on governments to provide for the unemployed. It also reduces the unemployment rate, allowing individuals to be self-reliant and increasing their country's economic productivity. Individuals who receive this training are also able to work much more quickly than those who need extensive university education.

On the other hand, university education provides individuals with the skills they need to progress up the corporate ladder, take leadership roles and become change agents in their societies. Those who graduate from university are also able to quickly adapt to technological changes in their industries, either by learning the new skills themselves or by working with those who already possess the skills. As a result, they are able to sustain their employability for a longer time and contribute more meaningfully to their countries.

In my opinion, both university education and vocational training are critical to the success of nations and individuals. It is therefore important for governments to fund both types of education adequately.



Some people think that it is a waste of money for countries to host big sporting events like the world cup, and that the money would be better spent on other things. However, others think that hosting large sporting events has a clear, positive impact on a country. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	January
Test Date	5/12/2022

# Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

There is a heated debate over whether or not hosting major sporting events is a good or bad thing for a country. Clearly, every event is different and the impact on a host country will vary accordingly. However, in general, I would argue that the benefits a country receives from such events far outweigh the potential drawbacks.

Firstly, the economic impact of such events is significant and should not be understated. The World Cup, for example, draws huge numbers of fans from all over the world. They need to buy air tickets, book accommodation, buy souvenirs and so on. The host country will enjoy a great influx of cash because of the event, and this money will benefit businesses, governments and consumers alike. Secondly, hosting sporting events tends to inspire a feel-good countrywide spirit that attracts the attention and admiration of the world. For example, the World Cup in Russia in 2018 saw citizens and visitors from around the world come together to cheer on their teams and enjoy football matches in a spirit of kindness and mutual respect. This is a truly priceless outcome, and one that will undoubtedly encourage more visitors to the country in the future.

There are nevertheless some potential pitfalls to any such event, and these should not be ignored. For example, construction costs will be high, and the country could end up with a huge debt after the event has ended. Local businesses might suffer from raised prices and fewer customers due to the influx of fans. As for the fans themselves, they could bring crime as well as money into the country, and the locals might not appreciate the intrusion. Nevertheless, overall, the benefits appear to outweigh the drawbacks.

In conclusion, hosting a major sporting event is a complex matter, and the impact of each such event will most likely be different. However, in general, I believe that the positive impact on a host country far outweighs any possible negative outcomes.

# Advertisements are becoming more and more common in our everyday life. Is it a positive or negative development?

Question Type	Positive/Negative
Month	January
Test Date	8/12/2022

# Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Advertising is everywhere. In today's world, advertisements bombard us through television, radio, the Internet and even on the streets. For many people, this may be a source of irritation. However, I believe the rise of advertising in general is a positive development.

The first and most obvious benefit of advertising is economic. Advertising generates sales for companies and creates a demand for products. When people see or hear an advertisement, they often want to buy the product, even if they don't really need it. This creates jobs in many different sectors: from production and distribution to sales and marketing. As a result, the economy grows, companies thrive, and governments collect higher taxes.

Another major benefit of advertising is that it informs people about a product. It educates the public about new products, ideas, and options they might not have known about otherwise. For instance, food companies that advertise their latest products can help create interest in a healthy, balanced diet. As a result, the whole society stands to gain from the information in advertisements.

On the other hand, many people consider advertising to be a nuisance, a distraction and an invasion of privacy. They regard advertising as overly manipulative and deceptive. Most advertisements are designed to convince us to buy a product, even if we don't really need it. As a consequence, many people waste their money on unnecessary products, which leads to debt and financial problems.

In my opinion, the advantages still outweigh the disadvantages. When advertisements are used in a responsible way, and when people exercise self-control, the benefits of advertising are significant. In this way, advertising contributes to a healthier economy and a better-informed society.

# Some people think technology development decreases crime, while others believe it actually encourages crimes. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	January
Test Date	9/12/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

There is a widespread belief that technology has a tremendous impact on crime. One set of people in this debate argues that new technologies help fight crime and make the world a safer place. Another set believes that technology has made crime easier to commit. This essay will discuss both arguments before weighing in on which side has the strongest case.

On the one hand, technology can help law enforcement to find criminals and prevent crime. Police can use global positioning satellites to track the location of stolen vehicles or surgically implanted tracking devices to monitor the whereabouts of convicted criminals. Various apps exist to help people report crime anonymously.

On the other hand, technological advancements have also made crime easier to commit. Online shopping has led to a high incidence of cybercrime, and related scams are also on the rise. Computer hacking is widespread, and most people have heard of identity theft, a form of theft which involves illegally obtaining and using someone else's data for illicit purposes. Some people even spread malicious rumors or post fake pictures of others on social media to defame or blackmail them.

In my opinion, both sides in this debate have a point. Every positive technological development has a corresponding negative aspect, and both good and bad sides exist in all of our actions. All of us, therefore, must be cautious in our use of technology and vigilant in our efforts to fight crime.

# Some people say that the government should stop TV and newspapers from showing crimes because media coverage of violent crimes is frightening people and encouraging criminals. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	11/12/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The media is widely seen as a powerful force in society. It shapes public opinion, highlights public issues and provides general entertainment. However, exposure to explicit and graphic portrayals of violent crimes can be disturbing and may also be glorifying crimes. Many people therefore believe that the media should stop covering crimes altogether.

On the one hand, some people do believe that the media is encouraging criminals. The National Crime Prevention Council in America claimed that watching a lot of movies and television shows about crimes may make people think that crime is more common than it actually is. Furthermore, some people think that crimes, especially violent crimes, are a social problem, which may lead to more.

On the other hand, media exposure to crimes is also necessary for the public to be aware about the news. People can also get to know about the current situation of a country or city they are living in. The media can also be a powerful tool for law enforcement agencies to track down the criminals. For example, in 2008, a man who was suspected of being one of the Boston Marathon bombers was caught after he was identified through cameras near the finish line.

In my opinion, the media should not stop covering crimes. I feel that we are mature enough to understand the pros and cons of media exposures and it is up to us to decide how we use the information it provides. The media can play a part in educating society about the consequences of crime and ways to prevent it and it can also help the law enforcement agencies in catching criminals.

In many countries, the governments like to spend more money on the arts. Some people agree with this. However, others think the governments should spend more on health and education. Discuss both sides and give your opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	January
Test Date	12/12/2022

# Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The allocation of government funds is a highly debated topic, particularly when it comes to spending on the arts versus spending on health and education. Both sides have valid arguments and it is important to consider both perspectives before coming to a conclusion.

On one hand, those who believe the government should spend more on the arts argue that the arts play a vital role in shaping the cultural identity of a nation. They believe that investment in the arts is necessary to preserve cultural heritage and to encourage artistic expression, which can lead to a more vibrant and culturally rich society. In addition, supporters of arts funding also argue that the arts can bring economic benefits to a community, as they can attract tourism and provide job opportunities in the creative industries.

On the other hand, those who believe the government should prioritize spending on health and education argue that these two areas are essential for the well-being and future success of a nation's citizens. They believe that the government has a responsibility to provide quality health care and education to all, as these are the foundation of a healthy and productive society. Investment in health and education can also lead to a more equitable society, as it provides everyone with the opportunity to achieve their full potential, regardless of their background or financial situation.

In my opinion, while the arts are an important part of our cultural heritage and play a valuable role in shaping the identity of a nation, the government should prioritize spending on health and education. These two areas have a direct impact on the well-being and future success of citizens, and the government has a responsibility to ensure that everyone has access to quality health care and education.

However, this does not mean that the government should completely eliminate funding for the arts. Rather, a balance should be struck between funding for the arts, health, and education, so that all important areas of society receive the resources they need to thrive. A balanced approach to government spending will ensure that a nation's cultural heritage is preserved and that its citizens have the opportunity to achieve their full potential.

# People should follow customs and traditions when they start living in a new country. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagr
Month	January
Test Date	13/12/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

As a person living in an increasingly interconnected and globalized world, it is not uncommon to find oneself living in a foreign country. When this happens, it is natural to be faced with the question of whether or not to follow the customs and traditions of the new country. In my opinion, while it is important to respect the cultural norms of a new country, it is not necessary to completely embrace its customs and traditions.

On one hand, following the customs and traditions of a new country can help to build relationships and establish a sense of belonging. By adopting the cultural norms of the new country, a person can show respect for the people and their way of life, which can lead to greater understanding and acceptance. Furthermore, participating in local customs and traditions can be a fun and enriching experience, as it provides an opportunity to learn about new cultures and ways of life.

On the other hand, it is also important for a person to maintain their own cultural identity and beliefs, even when living in a new country. This is because cultural identity is a deeply personal and important part of who we are, and it should not be easily discarded just because we are in a new environment. In addition, it is also important to remember that not all customs and traditions of a new country are necessarily positive or appropriate, and it is up to each individual to decide what they are comfortable with and what they are not.

In conclusion, while it is important to respect the cultural norms of a new country, it is not necessary to completely embrace its customs and traditions. It is a delicate balance between adapting to a new culture and maintaining one's own cultural identity, and each person must find the balance that works best for them. Ultimately, the goal should be to create a harmonious relationship between the new culture and one's own cultural identity, so that everyone can live and work together in peace and understanding.

Some people think that in the modern world we are more dependent on each other, while others think that people have become more independent. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	January
Test Date	14/12/2022

# Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Some people believe that in today's world we have become more dependent on each other, while others believe that people have become more independent. Both sides raise good arguments; however, I believe that the truth is somewhere in between. To begin with, I will discuss the benefits of each side of the argument, and then I will give my own opinion.

On the one hand, providing support and help to others can be a wonderful experience. Society is fundamentally about sharing with and caring for each other. For instance, during the COVID-19 pandemic, many have come to appreciate the importance of wearing face masks and maintaining social distancing. Scientists around the globe have been working together to find vaccines against this disease; and the World Health Organization has urged countries to collaborate to end this pandemic. Such examples show that people are dependent on each other, which is to say, we need each other.

On the other hand, people have become much more individualistic over the past decades. Young people, in particular, are less likely to live with their parents for a longer period of time and postpone getting married and having children. Furthermore, more and more young people are choosing to live abroad, or even to work remotely. These trends suggest that people are becoming increasingly independent.

In my opinion, both arguments have merit. A balance needs to be struck between giving and receiving help. For example, living in a pandemic requires people to get vaccinated and take precautions to protect themselves and others. In another example, individuals who live or work abroad should try to maintain close ties with their family and friends. Overall, people need to learn how to live in harmony with each other and with nature.

To conclude, each person needs to find his or her own way of being part of a society. I believe that both dependence and independence are necessary for society to survive and thrive, and that we should strive to find a healthy balance between the two.

Some people believe teenagers should focus on all subjects equally, whereas other people think that they should concentrate only on those subjects that they find interesting. Discuss both the views and provide your opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	January
Test Date	15/12/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The education system has long been a subject of debate, with the question of what approach is best for students constantly arising. Some believe that it is necessary for teenagers to study a wide range of subjects equally, while others argue that it is better for them to concentrate solely on those subjects that they find interesting. In this essay, I will discuss both of these perspectives and provide my own opinion on the matter.

On one hand, those who advocate for an equal focus on all subjects argue that this approach provides a wellrounded education and prepares students for a variety of career paths. By studying subjects such as mathematics, science, and history, students gain a broad understanding of the world around them, which is essential for making informed decisions in the future. Furthermore, by studying subjects that they may not initially find interesting, students are able to develop critical thinking skills, learn how to problem-solve and develop the ability to think beyond their own narrow interests.

On the other hand, those who believe that teenagers should concentrate only on those subjects that they find interesting argue that this approach is more engaging and leads to better educational outcomes. When students are passionate about a particular subject, they are more likely to invest time and energy into their studies, which results in a deeper understanding and higher grades. Additionally, by focusing on a specific subject, students are able to build expertise, which can be leveraged in future career opportunities.

In my opinion, both of these perspectives have their merits. While it is important for students to have a wellrounded education, I believe that it is equally important for them to find their passions and concentrate on those subjects. By doing so, students are more likely to develop a deep interest and understanding of the subjects they study, which will ultimately lead to better educational outcomes. At the same time, however, it is also important to ensure that students receive a comprehensive education that includes subjects such as mathematics, science, and history.

In conclusion, the debate about whether teenagers should focus on all subjects equally or concentrate only on those subjects that they find interesting is a complex one, with arguments on both sides. Ultimately, I believe that the most effective approach is a combination of both, to not only prepare students for a variety of career paths, but also foster their passions and interests.

# In many countries, people increasingly talk about money. Why is it, and is it a positive or negative development?

Question Type	Two-Part
Month	January
Test Date	17/12/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In recent years, money has become a common topic of conversation in many countries around the world. There are several reasons for this trend, and opinions on its impact vary widely. In this essay, I will examine the reasons for the increased focus on money and explore whether this is a positive or negative development.

One of the main reasons for the increased focus on money is the growing economic inequality in many countries. As wealth becomes increasingly concentrated in the hands of a few, more and more people are concerned about their own financial situation and the gap between the rich and the poor. This has led to increased public discourse on money, as people seek to understand the causes of economic inequality and find ways to improve their own financial security.

Another reason for the increased focus on money is the rise of consumer culture. In many countries, people are bombarded with advertising and messages that promote materialism and a focus on material goods. This has led to a shift in values, with money and material goods becoming increasingly important to many people. As a result, discussions about money and wealth have become more prevalent in everyday conversation.

The impact of the increased focus on money is a matter of debate. Some see it as a positive development, as it promotes financial literacy and encourages people to be more responsible with their finances. Others, however, view it as a negative trend, as it can lead to an overemphasis on material goods and a disregard for other important values such as community, family, and relationships.

In my opinion, the increased focus on money is both a positive and negative development. On one hand, it is important for people to have a good understanding of their finances and to make informed decisions about their money. On the other hand, an obsession with money can lead to a neglect of other important values and can create a culture that values material goods over relationships and community.

In conclusion, the increased focus on money in many countries is a reflection of changing values and growing economic inequality. While it can have positive impacts, such as promoting financial literacy, it can also lead to negative consequences, such as a disregard for other important values. It is up to individuals and society as a whole to strike a balance between financial literacy and an appreciation for non-material goods.

Scientists agree that people are damaging their health by eating too much junk food. Some people think that the answer to this problem is to educate people. Others think education will not work. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	January
Test Date	18/12/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Given the flood of all kinds of junk food in the market lately, there is a growing body of scientific evidence that junk food is the main cause of obesity, diabetes and other health conditions. As that evidence becomes more widely known, people are beginning to think twice about their eating habits and discuss whether education is the solution.

In my view, education is the best way for people to improve their eating habits. When people are taught about the perils of junk food, they can make informed choices about their diets. When they are given practical advice on how to shop for and prepare fresh food, they tend to eat better. When they are informed about the dangers of being overweight, they are motivated to slim down.

However, education alone is not enough. Some people are lazy and will not change their lifestyles, even if they know the consequences. In some cases, people are hungry, poor or not well-educated and cannot afford or obtain the right food to eat. For this reason, governments must take responsibility for their people and ensure that healthy food is available to everyone.

In conclusion, as our knowledge of health grows, education is the answer. It plays an indispensable role in helping people to make the right choices. Education, accompanied by government action, has the power to change the lives of many.

Some people think that in this modern world, getting old is entirely bad. However, other people believe that the life of old people is much better now than it was in the past. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	January
Test Date	20/12/2022

# Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In today's rapidly changing world, there are differing opinions on whether getting old is entirely bad or if the life of older people is better now than it was in the past. On one hand, some people believe that getting old is entirely bad due to various reasons such as physical and mental deterioration, increased dependence on others, and decreased social status. On the other hand, others argue that the life of older people is much better now than in the past, with improved healthcare, better living conditions, and greater social support.

Those who believe that getting old is entirely bad argue that as people age, their physical and mental abilities deteriorate, making them increasingly dependent on others for support. This can lead to feelings of isolation and loneliness, which can negatively impact their overall quality of life. Additionally, older people may also experience a decrease in their social status and may feel that they are no longer valued members of society.

On the other hand, those who believe that the life of older people is much better now than in the past, argue that improvements in healthcare have led to increased life expectancies and better overall health. Older people today also have access to better living conditions, such as comfortable homes and improved support systems, which can make their lives easier and more fulfilling. Furthermore, society as a whole is becoming more accepting and respectful of older people, and they are often valued for their wisdom and experience.

In my opinion, while getting old is certainly not without its challenges, I believe that the life of older people is indeed much better now than in the past. Thanks to advances in healthcare and social support, older people today have the opportunity to live longer, healthier, and more fulfilling lives. Additionally, society is becoming more accepting of older people and recognizes their valuable contributions, which can help to mitigate some of the negative effects of aging.

In conclusion, while opinions on whether getting old is entirely bad or if the life of older people is better now than in the past, will continue to vary, I believe that the advances in healthcare and social support have made the lives of older people significantly better than in the past. Ultimately, it is up to each individual to make the most of their life, regardless of their age, and to find joy and fulfillment in their daily experiences.

# The government should pay for the course fees for everyone who wants to study at university. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	22/12/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Education has become a commodity in our society. More people are going to college than ever before. But the cost of higher education is also rising. At present, students pay for university tuition but in some countries, the government pays all or part of the expense. Although this may be helpful, I do not believe it is the best solution.

For governments, funding university tuition for all students has several advantages. Firstly, the university graduates would become supporters of the current system and government policies. Secondly, the educated citizens will be able to contribute to the country's economy. Thirdly, university graduates are less likely to become involved in crime, which makes for a safer and more secure society.

For students, free university tuition also has some benefits. Those from low-income families can now study without the hindrance of a large debt. They can focus on their education and not worry about finances. In addition, they feel supported and validated by the government and have a better chance at getting a good job and earning a higher salary.

However, there are some disadvantages. Firstly, the money that would be spent on the free tuition could be used for other programs that can be more beneficial for the students and the citizens of the country. Secondly, not everyone excels in academics. There are many other fields where their skills would be best utilized.

In conclusion, I do not believe governments should fund university tuition for all. There is no guarantee that the graduates will be able to find jobs or pay back the government. As a result, the government will be losing their investment. I believe the funds should be invested in other programs such as vocational training or scholarship for the best students.

# In some cities, public parks and open spaces are changed into gardens where local residents can grow their own fruit and vegetables. Do you think the benefits outweigh the disadvantages?

Question Type	Advantages & Disadvantages
Month	January
Test Date	24/12/2022

# Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The conversion of public parks and open spaces into community gardens has become a popular trend in some cities around the world. While this approach has its benefits, it also has its disadvantages. In this essay, I will explore both the benefits and disadvantages of this trend and assess whether the benefits outweigh the disadvantages.

One of the main benefits of community gardens is that they promote sustainable agriculture and encourage people to grow their own food. This can lead to a reduction in food waste, as well as a decrease in the demand for commercially grown produce, which is often grown using environmentally harmful methods. In addition, community gardens can help to foster a sense of community, as people come together to grow and share food, leading to stronger social bonds and a greater sense of community cohesion. Another benefit of community gardens is that they can provide a source of fresh, healthy food for local residents. This is particularly important for those who live in urban areas where access to fresh produce may be limited. Community gardens can also provide a space for people to connect with nature, as they work together to grow and care for their own food.

However, there are also disadvantages to community gardens. One of the main drawbacks is that they can be time-consuming and require significant effort and commitment from local residents. In addition, community gardens may not be suitable for everyone, as some people may not have the time, skills, or interest to participate. Furthermore, community gardens may also face challenges related to land ownership, maintenance, and financing, which can make it difficult for them to thrive and provide benefits to the community.

In conclusion, the conversion of public parks and open spaces into community gardens has both benefits and disadvantages. While the benefits, such as promoting sustainable agriculture and fostering community, are important, the disadvantages, such as the time and effort required, should also be taken into consideration. Ultimately, the decision to convert public parks and open spaces into community gardens should be based on a careful assessment of the local community's needs and capabilities, and a careful consideration of the benefits and drawbacks. If the benefits outweigh the disadvantages, this trend can be a positive development for cities and their residents.

# Nowadays public transport prices are constantly increasing. Why do you think this is happening? How can this problem be solved?

Question Type	Causes & Solutions
Month	January
Test Date	25/12/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Public transport prices are a constant source of concern for many people around the world. In recent years, these prices have been increasing at an alarming rate, and this trend shows no sign of slowing down. In this essay, I will examine the reasons for the rise in public transport prices and suggest some solutions to this problem.

One of the main reasons for the increase in public transport prices is the rising cost of fuel and other inputs. As the cost of oil and other inputs used to power public transport systems increases, the cost of providing public transport services also increases. This, in turn, leads to higher prices for passengers. Another reason for the increase in public transport prices is the need for infrastructure improvements and upgrades. Many public transport systems are aging and in need of repair, and this requires significant investment. To pay for these upgrades, public transport providers often raise prices, which can be a burden for passengers. A third reason for the increase in public transport prices is the need to provide subsidies to ensure that public transport is accessible to all, regardless of income. In many countries, public transport is subsidized to ensure that it remains affordable for people on low incomes. However, as the cost of providing these subsidies increases, so do public transport prices.

To address this problem, there are several solutions that could be implemented. One solution is to invest in alternative sources of energy, such as electric or hydrogen-powered vehicles, which could reduce the cost of fuel and other inputs. Another solution is to improve public transport infrastructure and upgrade aging systems to make them more efficient and cost-effective. A third solution is to provide incentives for public transport providers to adopt more environmentally friendly practices, such as reducing emissions and improving energy efficiency.

In conclusion, the rise in public transport prices is due to a combination of factors. To address this problem, there are several solutions that could be implemented, and it is up to policymakers and the public transport industry to find the best solutions to ensure that public transport remains affordable and accessible to all.

Doctors recommend that older people exercise regularly. However, many older people do not exercise enough. What could be the reason for this? What can be done to encourage them to do physical activities?

Question Type	Causes & Solutions
Month	January
Test Date	27/12/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

A large proportion of the population is not as active as it should be. This is especially true for older people. In the recent past, older people were more active and healthy, but there has been a gradual decline in their health and activity levels in recent years. This essay will examine the reasons behind this and suggest possible solutions.

There are many possible reasons for the lack of fitness among older people. In the first case, many lack the motivation to exercise regularly. With retirement, they no longer need to go to work every day. Their children, who used to need supervision, have grown up and moved on. In addition, older people are not as fit as they were in the past, and their health issues may prevent them from engaging in strenuous exercise. In some cases, there are some practical reasons for the lack of exercise. For example, many older people live in areas where facilities for outdoor activities are not convenient.

In my view, there are some practical activities that may help to encourage older people to be more active. In the first place, campaigns should be run to highlight the importance of exercise among older people. At the same time, older people should be encouraged to exercise together. In this regard, some organizations run regular classes for older people, such as yoga, aerobics or dance classes. It may also help to provide facilities like exercise equipment, walking tracks and swimming pools. In addition, doctors should counsel older people on the importance of exercising regularly and overcoming any difficulties in doing so.

In conclusion, the lack of exercise among older people is a serious problem. There are many reasons for this, but the most important are motivation and lack of facilities for exercising. The best solution is to make older people aware of the importance of exercise and to provide convenient facilities for them to do so.

# Some people say that mobile phones should be banned in public places such as libraries, shops and public transport. Do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	January
Test Date	29/12/2022

# Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The use of mobile phones in public places has been a subject of much debate in recent years. While some people believe that mobile phones should be banned in public spaces such as libraries, shops and public transport, others disagree. In this essay, I will examine both sides of this issue and provide my own opinion.

On the one hand, it can be argued that mobile phones should be banned in public places. For example, in libraries, the use of mobile phones can be disruptive to other library users who are trying to study or work in a quiet environment. Similarly, in shops and other public spaces, the use of mobile phones can be a distraction to others and can make the shopping experience less enjoyable. In addition, using mobile phones on public transport can be dangerous, as it can lead to accidents or dangerous situations if the user is not paying attention to their surroundings.

On the other hand, there are those who believe that mobile phones should not be banned in public places. For example, mobile phones can be an important tool for staying connected and staying in touch with friends and family. In addition, they can provide a valuable source of information and entertainment, which can make long commutes on public transport more bearable. Furthermore, banning mobile phones in public places may be seen as a restriction on personal freedom and an infringement on the rights of individuals.

In my opinion, I believe that the use of mobile phones in public places should be regulated rather than banned. For example, in libraries, mobile phones could be silenced or switched to vibrate mode to minimize disruption to other users. In shops and public spaces, the use of mobile phones could be restricted to designated areas, such as cafes or seating areas. On public transport, the use of mobile phones could be regulated to ensure that users are not putting themselves or others at risk.

In conclusion, the issue of whether or not to ban mobile phones in public places is a complex one, with arguments both for and against. In my opinion, the best solution is to regulate the use of mobile phones in public places, rather than ban them outright. This way, individuals can still enjoy the benefits of their devices while minimizing the potential for disruption or danger to themselves and others.

February 2022

# More and more people decide to eat healthy food and exercise regularly. What are the reasons for this trend? What can be done to encourage more people to eat healthier and exercise?

Question Type	Causes & Solutions
Month	February
Test Date	12/2/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In recent years, there has been a growing trend towards eating healthy food and exercising regularly. In this essay, I will discuss the reasons and suggest ways to encourage more people to adopt healthy habits.

One of the main reasons for the trend towards healthy eating and exercise is the increased awareness of the health benefits of these habits. With a greater understanding of the dangers of unhealthy diets and sedentary lifestyles, more and more people are making the choice to eat nutritious food and engage in regular physical activity. This has been helped by the availability of information about healthy living through various media sources, including the internet and social media. Another reason for the trend towards healthy eating and exercise is the influence of social media. Social media platforms have made it easier for people to share their experiences and to promote healthy habits, which has helped to increase the popularity of healthy living. Social media has also provided a platform for people to connect with others who are interested in healthy living, which can help to create a supportive community that encourages people to adopt healthy habits. Finally, there is a growing concern about the negative effects of unhealthy lifestyles. The rise in the incidence of chronic diseases such as obesity, heart disease and diabetes has led to a greater focus on the importance of healthy eating and exercise. This has led to an increased demand for healthy food options and for opportunities to participate in physical activity, which has helped to drive the trend towards healthy living.

To encourage more people to adopt healthy habits, there are several steps that can be taken. Firstly, governments and organizations can provide education and information about the health benefits of healthy eating and exercise. This can help to raise awareness and increase understanding of the importance of healthy living. Secondly, employers can promote healthy living by providing opportunities for employees to participate in physical activity during the workday, such as gym memberships or on-site fitness classes. Finally, schools can encourage healthy living by providing healthy food options in their cafeterias and promoting physical activity through physical education classes and after-school sports programs.

In conclusion, the trend towards healthy eating and exercise is driven by several factors. By promoting healthy living through education and opportunities for physical activity, it is possible to encourage more people to adopt healthy habits and lead healthier, happier lives.

Some people think that people should be given the right to use fresh water as they like. Others believe governments should strictly control the use of fresh water. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	February
Test Date	17/2/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The use of fresh water is a contentious issue, with two opposing views on how it should be managed. On one hand, there are those who believe that people should be given the right to use fresh water as they like. On the other hand, there are those who believe that governments should strictly control the use of fresh water. In this essay, I will examine both views and provide my own opinion on the matter.

On the one hand, those who believe in the right to use fresh water as they like argue that this right is necessary for personal freedom and choice. They argue that individuals should be able to make their own decisions about how they use fresh water, and that government control would be an infringement on their rights. In addition, they argue that government control of fresh water use would result in inefficient use of the resource and would increase costs for consumers.

On the other hand, those who believe in strict government control of fresh water argue that it is necessary to ensure sustainable use of this limited resource. They argue that without government control, fresh water supplies would be depleted and would not be available for future generations. In addition, they argue that government control would ensure that fresh water is used in a manner that is equitable and that provides benefits to the greatest number of people.

In my opinion, the use of fresh water should be subject to government control. While the right to personal freedom and choice is important, the sustainable use of this limited resource is of utmost importance. In addition, the equitable use of fresh water should be a priority, especially in areas where water is scarce. By providing access to fresh water to all members of society, governments can help to reduce poverty and improve quality of life for people around the world.

In conclusion, the use of fresh water is a complex issue with two opposing views. In my opinion, it should be subject to government control in order to ensure sustainable use of this valuable resource and to ensure that it is used in an equitable manner.

# Leaders and directors in organizations are normally older people. Some people think having a younger leader would be better. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagre
Month	February
Test Date	26/2/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The topic of leadership is of perennial interest. Many people believe that leaders are born, not made. However, there are others who believe that leadership is a skill which can be acquired. It is undeniable that in most cases, leaders are older individuals, and that their age is the most important factor in their leadership. However, a younger leader can be effective too.

A more mature leader has a whole life of experience to call upon. These leaders have accumulated a great deal of wisdom and knowledge over the years and can apply this to their roles. Older leaders are more capable of thinking about the big picture, managing and guiding the progress of organizations. They are able to make sweeping decisions and make effective changes. Older leaders are also more likely to be good mentors to younger individual.

Younger leaders, on the other hand, are usually better equipped to implement those changes. Younger leaders are more energetic and can work harder than their older counterparts. They are also more likely to be open to new ideas and technological changes, which can greatly benefit organizations. For example, a young CEO at Facebook, Mark Zuckerberg, was able to build a great company with his original ideas and unconventional approaches. He challenged the status quo and made huge leaps forward in the social media industry.

Clearly, both older and younger leaders have their advantages. However, despite the common belief that age matters, younger leaders are as capable as older ones. They are not necessarily less effective at being leaders. Therefore, it is not necessarily true that older leaders are more effective than their younger counterparts. I believe age should not be used as the only measure of leadership qualifications.

March 2022

# Some people think scientific research should focus on solving world health problems. Others think that there are more important issues. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	March
Test Date	3/3/2022

# Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The question of where scientific research should be focused is a highly debated topic, with some arguing that the focus should be on solving world health problems and others believing that there are more pressing issues to be addressed. In this essay, I will examine both views and provide my own opinion on the matter.

On the one hand, those who believe that scientific research should focus on solving world health problems argue that this is the best way to ensure that people live longer, healthier lives. They argue that by solving world health problems, such as disease and malnutrition, the quality of life for millions of people around the world would be improved. In addition, they argue that solving world health problems is a moral obligation and that it is the responsibility of the scientific community to use its knowledge and resources to address these issues.

On the other hand, those who believe that there are more important issues than world health problems argue that other issues, such as environmental degradation and poverty, are also critical and need to be addressed. They argue that scientific research should not be solely focused on solving health problems, but rather that it should be directed towards a range of issues that have a significant impact on the world.

In my opinion, scientific research should be directed towards a combination of both world health problems and other pressing issues. While it is important to address world health problems, such as disease and malnutrition, it is equally important to address other critical issues, such as environmental degradation and poverty. By addressing these issues in a comprehensive manner, scientific research can help to improve the quality of life for people around the world and help to create a more sustainable future.

In conclusion, the question of where scientific research should be focused is a complex issue, with two opposing views. In my opinion, scientific research should be directed towards a combination of both world health problems and other critical issues in order to improve the quality of life for people around the world and help to create a more sustainable future.

# Fewer young people choose to work in farming. What are the reasons? Should young people be encouraged to do farming work?

Question Type	Two-Part
Month	March
Test Date	12/3/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The declining number of young people choosing to work in farming has been a growing concern in many countries. There are several reasons why fewer young people are choosing to work in farming and in this essay, I will discuss these reasons and whether or not young people should be encouraged to work in farming.

One of the main reasons why fewer young people are choosing to work in farming is that it is often seen as a low-status and low-income job. Many young people view farming as a job that is physically demanding, offers little job security and is not well-compensated. As a result, they are choosing to pursue careers in other areas that offer more status, income and job security. Another reason is that advances in technology have made farming a much less labor-intensive occupation. The widespread use of machinery in farming has reduced the need for manual labor and has made the job less attractive to young people who are seeking physical labor.

Despite these challenges, there are several compelling reasons why young people should be encouraged to work in farming. Firstly, farming is a crucial industry that provides food for millions of people around the world. By working in farming, young people can play a key role in ensuring that the world has a sustainable food supply. Additionally, farming provides opportunities for young people to develop important skills, such as critical thinking, problem solving and team work. Furthermore, as concerns about the environment and food security become increasingly pressing, there is a growing demand for young people who are knowledgeable about sustainable agriculture and food production. This presents a unique opportunity for young people to make a real difference in the world by working in the farming industry.

In conclusion, the declining number of young people choosing to work in farming is due to several factors. However, there are also many reasons why more young people should be encouraged to engage in farming activities.

## In some countries, schools are teaching foreign languages for primary school children. Do the advantages of this outweigh the disadvantages?

Question Type	Advantages & Disadvantages
Month	March
Test Date	19/3/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Teaching foreign languages to young children is becoming increasingly popular around the world. However, as with any educational issue, this development has both its advantages and disadvantages.

One of the most important benefits of introducing a second language at an early age is the cognitive development children enjoy. For instance, many studies indicate that learning a foreign language, especially at a young age, enhances brain activity and helps children develop multitasking and problem-solving skills. Another benefit of learning foreign languages at a young age is the possibility to master this skill easily and quickly. In fact, children up to the age of six can learn a second language with the same ease as they learn their mother tongue. Children can then move on to learn third, fourth and higher languages, all the while increasing their proficiency and linguistic flexibility. Finally, introducing a second language at an early age can expose children to another culture. This experience includes not just language, but also literature, music, beliefs, history and traditions. Such experience is likely to create an appreciation for cultural diversity and an openness to differences that last a lifetime.

All this said, teaching foreign languages to young children also has its disadvantages. One of the most obvious is the cost associated with this form of education. In some countries, hiring and training language teachers who specialize in instructing young children requires a substantial financial investment. Another drawback of introducing a foreign language early is the chance of undermining the development of the child's native language. The more children are taught to master another language and the more they use it at home and in different environments, the more they come to rely on this language rather than their native language. For this reason, parents are advised to only teach a second language when the child has reached the age of six.

In conclusion, teaching foreign languages to young children has many advantages, but these have to be weighed against the disadvantages. In the end, whatever the benefits, caution should be exercised to ensure that the child's native language is not lost in the process.

# In many countries today, if people want to find a job, they have to move away from their friends and their families. Do you think the advantages of this development outweigh the disadvantages?

Question Type	Advantages & Disadvantages
Month	March
Test Date	26/3/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In many parts of the world today, people need to move away from their hometowns in order to find a good job. This trend is having a profound effect on society and represents a major change from the past. In my view, the drawbacks of this development outweigh the advantages.

The main advantage of the growing trend is that, with greater financial independence, people have the means to pay for a wide range of items. In particular, they can afford such essential items as basic clothing, food and shelter. This is clearly a positive development. Another related benefit is that, in the workplace, people are able to grow and thrive, as they develop new skills and expand their experience. The result is greater job satisfaction and a good work-life balance.

However, there are also some drawbacks to the growing trend. The main disadvantage is that, financially, people are more vulnerable. In the event of unexpected illness or the loss of a job, they have no family support and no savings. Moreover, not having family and friends nearby means that they are unable to share concerns and worries, which can have serious consequences for their mental health. Socially, people are also more vulnerable. Without having a wide social network, they might be exploited or abused. For example, they might be recruited into crime rings, or they might be taken advantage of by ruthless employers.

In conclusion, the recent trend of people seeking work away from home is advantageous in many ways. While it brings greater independence, it also carries many disadvantages.

April 2022

## In the future, there will be a higher proportion of older people than young people in many countries. Is it a positive or negative development?

Question TypePositive/NegativeMonthAprilTest Date2/4/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

According to many experts, the population of most developed countries is getting older. In fact, a noticeable shift in the age of citizens is already evident. This trend is viewed as a positive development for society as a whole, although some people argue to the contrary.

On the one hand, an older population means there is a larger proportion of people whose life experience is more extensive. They have acquired a greater knowledge of techniques for solving problems, making tough decisions and organizing social structures. Moreover, older people have more time to devote to volunteer work in their communities, increasing the pool of assistance from which others can benefit.

On the other hand, an aging society must contend with a larger percentage of old people who may be unable to work or take care of themselves. The social burden of supporting and caring for these people can become a major challenge for a country. Furthermore, older populations may not be as innovative as younger populations. They can be less adaptable to new technologies and less open to new ideas. This can jeopardize a country's capacity for moving forward.

There are pros and cons to having an older population. However, the advantages outweigh the disadvantages. Older people can be a real asset to a country and should be valued for their experience and wisdom.

# Although there is a lot of translation software available, learning a language could still be advantageous. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	April
Test Date	9/4/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The widespread availability of translation software has made it possible for people to communicate in different languages without necessarily learning them. However, I believe that learning a language still offers many advantages and I fully agree that it is beneficial to do so.

Firstly, learning a language provides a deeper understanding of the culture and customs of the people who speak that language. This can be particularly useful for people who are traveling to another country, as it can help them to appreciate and better understand the local culture. It also opens up the possibility of forming personal connections with people from different backgrounds, which can be a valuable experience.

Secondly, being proficient in a foreign language can greatly enhance one's employment prospects. It can be especially valuable for those working in industries such as tourism, international trade, and diplomacy. In today's globalized world, having the ability to speak multiple languages can increase a person's competitiveness in the job market and give them an advantage over those who only speak one language.

Thirdly, learning a language can also have cognitive benefits. Research has shown that learning a foreign language can enhance a person's memory and mental agility, as well as reduce the risk of age-related cognitive decline. It can also be a great way to keep the mind active and improve problem-solving skills.

In conclusion, I believe that despite the widespread availability of translation software, learning a language still provides numerous benefits. I fully agree that it is still advantageous to do so.

# Machines are replacing humans in the manual workforce. Do you think the positive effects outweigh the negative effects?

Question Type	Advantages & Disadvantages
Month	April
Test Date	12/4/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The increasing use of machines in the manual workforce has generated a significant amount of debate about their impact on employment and society as a whole. Some argue that the positive effects of machines outweigh the negative effects, while others believe the opposite to be true. In my opinion, while there are certainly benefits to the use of machines, the negative effects cannot be ignored.

One of the main benefits of machines in the manual workforce is increased efficiency. Machines are capable of working faster and with greater precision than human workers, which can lead to increased productivity and lower costs for businesses. This, in turn, can result in lower prices for consumers and increased competitiveness for businesses.

However, the increased use of machines in the manual workforce also has a number of negative effects. One of the most significant is the displacement of human workers. As machines become more advanced, they are increasingly capable of performing tasks that were previously done by humans, resulting in job losses and a decline in the demand for manual labor. This can have serious economic and social consequences, such as rising unemployment and increased poverty. Another negative effect of machines in the manual workforce is the potential for increased income inequality. As machines take over manual jobs, the demand for high-skilled jobs such as technicians and engineers may increase, but the demand for low-skilled manual jobs will decline. This can result in a widening income gap between high-skilled workers and low-skilled workers, further exacerbating existing income inequality. Finally, the increased use of machines in the manual workforce may also have an impact on human dignity and the sense of purpose. As machines take over manual jobs, workers may feel that their contributions to society are less valued and that they are being replaced by machines. This can lead to a loss of self-esteem and a decline in the quality of life for those affected.

In conclusion, while there are certainly benefits to the use of machines in the manual workforce, the negative effects are more considerable. It is important to consider the impact of machines on employment, income inequality, and human dignity and to take steps to minimize their negative effects.

# The expansion of multinational companies and increase in globalization produce positive effects to everyone. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	April
Test Date	16/4/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The expansion of multinational companies and the rise of globalization has been a hotly debated topic for many years. On one hand, it is argued that the growth of multinationals and the increasing interconnectedness of the world has had a positive impact on everyone. On the other hand, there are those who believe that the negative consequences of such developments far outweigh any positive effects.

One of the arguments in favor of multinational companies and globalization is that they create job opportunities and stimulate economic growth. Multinationals often bring with them new technologies, ideas and investment, which can lead to increased productivity and growth in local economies. This can result in the creation of new jobs and increased income for local people, leading to improved living standards and greater prosperity. Additionally, globalization has led to a wider range of goods and services being available to consumers at lower prices, benefiting both individuals and businesses.

However, opponents of multinationals and globalization argue that the positive effects are outweighed by the negative consequences. One of the biggest concerns is that multinationals and globalization often lead to a widening wealth gap, as the profits generated by these companies are often concentrated in the hands of a small, wealthy elite. This can lead to increasing poverty and social inequality, as well as putting pressure on local communities and cultures. Additionally, the expansion of multinational companies can lead to environmental degradation, as these companies often prioritize their profits over protecting the environment.

In conclusion, while the expansion of multinational companies and the rise of globalization has had both positive and negative impacts, I believe that the negative effects outweigh the positive. To ensure that the positive effects of multinationals and globalization are maximized, it is important that governments take a proactive role in regulating these companies and promoting sustainable development.

### Parents should get punished in some ways if their children break the law. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	April
Test Date	19/4/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The issue of whether or not parents should be held accountable for the actions of their children has been a topic of debate for many years. On one hand, some argue that parents should be held responsible for the misbehavior of their offspring, while others believe that such a notion is unfair and unjust.

Those who support the idea of holding parents accountable argue that they have a fundamental responsibility to raise their children in a way that prepares them to be law-abiding citizens. It is also argued that by imposing punishment on parents, the community is sending a message that the upbringing of children is taken seriously, and that parents must take responsibility for their children's actions. Additionally, the punishment can serve as a deterrent for future misbehavior by the children.

However, those who disagree with the notion of punishing parents argue that the actions of children are largely beyond their control. Children are individuals with their own personalities, thoughts, and beliefs, and it is not possible for parents to control all of their actions. Furthermore, it is believed that it is wrong to impose punishment on someone who has not committed a crime themselves, as this is a violation of the principle of individual responsibility.

In my opinion, while I believe that parents have a crucial role to play in raising their children, I also believe that punishing them for the misdeeds of their children is unfair. Punishing the parents may not necessarily improve the situation and may even make it worse. Instead of punishing the parents, I believe that a more effective approach would be to provide support and education to families in need. This could involve providing access to educational resources and counseling services to help parents raise their children in a way that encourages positive behavior.

In conclusion, the issue of whether or not parents should be punished for the actions of their children is a complex one, with arguments on both sides. While I believe that parents have an important role to play in raising their children, I do not believe that punishment is the solution. Instead, support and education should be provided to families to help them raise their children in a positive and productive manner.

## Young people learn good behavior more from movies and books than real-life experiences. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	April
Test Date	23/4/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The role of movies and books in shaping the behavior and attitudes of young people has been the subject of much debate. It is argued that young people learn good behavior more from movies and books than from reallife experiences, while some believe otherwise. I personally believe both are equally important in shaping the character of young people.

One argument in favor of the idea that young people learn good behavior more from movies and books is that these forms of media are often more accessible to them than real-life experiences. For example, a young person living in a remote rural area may have limited access to positive role models or opportunities to engage in positive behaviors. In such cases, movies and books may serve as a substitute for real-life experiences and help the young person develop positive values and attitudes. Additionally, these forms of media allow young people to experience new cultures and ways of life, exposing them to a range of different attitudes and behaviors.

However, the argument that real-life experiences are more influential in shaping young people's behavior is also compelling. For example, while movies and books may provide a good representation of certain behaviors and attitudes, they may not accurately reflect the consequences of these behaviors in real life. Real-life experiences, on the other hand, allow young people to see the real-world outcomes of different actions and behaviors, helping them to better understand the consequences of their actions. Furthermore, real-life experiences provide opportunities for young people to engage in social interaction and develop relationships, which can have a significant impact on their development and behavior.

In conclusion, both movies and books and real-life experiences have a role to play in shaping the behavior of young people. Therefore, it is important to ensure that young people have access to a range of positive experiences and role models both in the virtual world of books and movies and in the real world.

Economic growth in recent years made some people in both developed countries and developing countries richer. However, research shows that while people in developing countries are happier, people in developed countries seem not happier than before. Why does this happen? What can we learn from it?

Question Type	Two-Part
Month	April
Test Date	24/4/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Economic growth is often associated with an increase in wealth and standard of living, but recent studies suggest that this is not always the case. While people in developing countries tend to experience a significant increase in happiness with economic growth, those in developed countries do not seem to benefit from it to the same extent. This phenomenon raises important questions about the relationship between economic growth and happiness, and what can be learned from it.

One reason why people in developed countries may not experience a corresponding increase in happiness despite economic growth is due to the higher expectations and aspirations that come with wealth and prosperity. When people have more resources at their disposal, they tend to set higher goals and compare themselves to others more frequently, leading to feelings of dissatisfaction and unhappiness. This is in contrast to people in developing countries, who may feel more grateful for any improvements in their standard of living, regardless of how modest they may be.

Moreover, economic growth in developed countries is often accompanied by other negative consequences, such as environmental degradation and increased pressure on resources. This can lead to feelings of guilt and anxiety, and contribute to a sense of malaise that may counteract any positive effects of economic growth.

To learn from this phenomenon, it is important to recognize that economic growth is not the only indicator of a successful society, and that there are other factors that contribute to happiness and well-being. This includes social connections, community engagement, and access to natural resources and open spaces. Policymakers and citizens alike should strive to create a balanced and sustainable development model that prioritizes both economic growth and well-being.

In conclusion, while economic growth can bring many benefits, it is not always the case that it leads to increased happiness, especially in developed countries. Understanding why this happens and what other factors contribute to well-being is essential in creating a more sustainable and fulfilling society for all.

# The only way to improve safety on our roads is to give much stricter punishments for driving offenses. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	April
Test Date	27/4/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The issue of road safety is a critical one that affects millions of people across the world. Some believe that the only way to improve safety on roads is by implementing stricter punishments for driving offenses, while others hold a different view. In this essay, I will discuss both sides of this argument and provide my own perspective on this matter.

On the one hand, proponents of stricter punishments argue that these measures can be effective in reducing the number of road accidents. By imposing severe penalties for reckless driving, traffic violations, and other dangerous behavior on the road, the authorities aim to discourage people from engaging in these activities. For example, increased fines or even imprisonment can serve as a powerful deterrent, especially for those who are inclined to engage in reckless driving. Additionally, by imposing stricter punishments, governments can signal that road safety is a priority, and send a message that dangerous behavior will not be tolerated.

On the other hand, opponents argue that stricter punishments alone may not be enough to achieve the desired result. While it is true that severe penalties can reduce the number of road accidents, there are other factors that can contribute to road safety. For example, factors such as poor road design, a lack of proper infrastructure, and a lack of public awareness about road safety can also impact the number of accidents that occur on the road. By focusing solely on punishments, authorities may overlook these other crucial factors that can impact road safety.

In my view, while stricter punishments can play an important role in improving road safety, they should not be the only approach. Other measures, such as education and awareness campaigns, improvements in road infrastructure, and a greater emphasis on public transportation, should also be considered. A comprehensive approach that takes into account a range of factors is more likely to be effective in improving road safety and reducing the number of accidents that occur on the roads.

In conclusion, while stricter punishments for driving offenses can play a role in improving road safety, they should not be the only approach. A comprehensive, multi-faceted approach that takes into account a range of factors is more likely to achieve the desired results and improve safety on our roads.

# Some people think that young people should be required to do unpaid work helping people in the community. Do the advantages outweigh the disadvantages?

Question Type	Advantages & Disadvantages
Month	April
Test Date	30/4/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The concept of young people engaging in unpaid work in their communities has been a topic of discussion for many years. While some believe that this experience would benefit young people by instilling a sense of responsibility and contributing to the community, others argue that the disadvantages of unpaid work far outweigh any potential benefits.

One advantage of requiring young people to engage in community service is that they can develop a sense of responsibility and civic-mindedness. By volunteering their time and energy to help others, they can learn the importance of giving back to the community and develop a stronger sense of social responsibility. This can also help to create a stronger sense of community and foster greater social cohesion.

However, there are also several disadvantages to this approach. One of the main concerns is that young people may feel resentful or disheartened if they are forced to engage in unpaid work. This could lead to a negative attitude towards community service and make it difficult for them to appreciate the benefits that come from volunteering. Additionally, some young people may not have the skills or resources necessary to perform the tasks required of them, which could lead to a lack of satisfaction and a sense of frustration.

In conclusion, while there are certainly benefits to requiring young people to engage in unpaid work in their communities, the disadvantages of such a requirement cannot be ignored. Ultimately, the decision to participate in community service should be a personal one, and young people should be encouraged to engage in such activities on a voluntary basis, rather than being forced to do so.

May 2022

## Any country should be able to sell goods to other countries without the restrictions of the government. Do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	May
Test Date	7/5/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Governments of different countries have differing approaches to international trade. Some try to control the number of goods that enter and exit the country. Others are more liberal and allow for a free flow of products. While both approaches have their own advantages, I think that unrestricted trade is a better option in most cases.

The main advantage of unrestricted trade is that it creates a climate of competition. The absence of currency restrictions and tariffs make it possible for prices to be set by the laws of supply and demand. This way, the market decides how much goods should be worth. If a lot of traders are selling a given product, the price will go down. If only a few traders are selling it, the price will go up. Consumers benefit from this competitive environment because the prices of goods are lowered and they are given a significant range of choice.

On the other hand, governments that control trade suffer from various drawbacks. First, they risk reducing the quality of products. High tariffs can indicate that certain products are not welcome in a country, so no companies will try to sell them. This often works to the detriment of consumers, who then have to pay a higher price for a product of poorer quality. Second, governments are not always right about which products are good and which are bad. They often ban products without having thorough knowledge of their nature. A good example is how the US government forbade the sale of Absinthe in the early twentieth century. They did so without realizing that Absinthe was simply a beverage – no more harmful than wine, beer or vodka.

In conclusion, governments that restrict trade suffer from a lack of information about the products they try to control. This results in a lower availability of goods and higher prices for consumers.

### It is better for people to be unemployed than to stay in the job they do not enjoy. Do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	Мау
Test Date	8/5/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The idea that it is better for people to be unemployed than to remain in a job they dislike is a complex issue that is open to debate. On the one hand, being unemployed can lead to financial difficulties and a loss of self-esteem, while staying in a job that is unsatisfying can cause stress and dissatisfaction with one's life. In this essay, I will examine both sides of the argument to determine whether I agree or disagree with the statement.

Firstly, being unemployed can have significant negative consequences. Many people rely on their jobs to provide financial stability and support themselves and their families. When they become unemployed, they may struggle to make ends meet and face financial insecurity. Additionally, being out of work can lead to a loss of self-esteem and a sense of purpose, as people are no longer able to contribute to society in a meaningful way. This can have a significant impact on their mental and emotional well-being.

On the other hand, staying in a job that one does not enjoy can have negative effects as well. When people are unhappy with their work, they may experience stress, burnout, and dissatisfaction with their lives. This can lead to decreased productivity and a lack of motivation, which can impact their performance at work. Additionally, working in a job that one dislikes can have long-term effects, such as reducing one's overall happiness and life satisfaction.

However, it is important to note that unemployment may not always be a better option than staying in an unsatisfying job. Depending on the individual's circumstances, they may find it difficult to find a new job that they enjoy, especially in a competitive job market. Furthermore, they may not have the skills or experience required to transition into a new career. In these cases, it may be more beneficial for them to stay in their current job, even if it is not their ideal situation.

In conclusion, the idea that it is better for people to be unemployed than to stay in a job they dislike is a complex issue with both advantages and disadvantages. Ultimately, the decision of whether to stay in a job or seek employment elsewhere should be based on individual circumstances and priorities.

As major cities in the world are growing today, so do their problems. What are the problems for young people who are living in the cities as the result of continued growth? What are the solutions for these problems?

Question Type	Problems & Solutions
Month	Мау
Test Date	12/5/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

It has been predicted that by 2050, two thirds of the world's population will be living in urban areas. The problems of urban areas and the environment are well known, but as the world's population continues to grow, more and more people will be drawn to urban centers. As a result, the problems of urban areas will continue to grow as well.

The problems for young people who are living in the cities are as diverse as the cities themselves. There is a shortage of affordable housing, which is made all the more difficult because of the demand for property in city centers. The cost of buying, renting or even sharing rental property in a city can be prohibitive for young people, many of whom are already saddled with college debt. Another serious problem faced by young people in cities is unemployment. Many cities are experiencing a high rate of unemployment, especially among young people. In some cases, the unemployment rate among young people is two or three times that of the general population. This is particularly troublesome, as it has a negative impact on young people's ability to settle down as adults. Finally, many cities are plagued by pollution of air, water and land. Cities also produce a great deal of waste, much of which is simply dumped in landfills and rivers. The pollution from city life, in addition to the increase in carbon dioxide emissions, is causing many to question the wisdom of continued urbanization.

Solutions to the problems facing young people in the cities are also varied. One effective solution is to provide a range of affordable public housing options for all citizens of a city, including young people. Another would be to take steps to reduce the levels of pollution, both in the cities and in the atmosphere, by reducing the use of fossil fuels and increasing the use of renewable energy sources.

In conclusion, the problems facing young people in cities are serious and increasing. Unless steps are taken to address these problems, young people will continue to have difficulty finding affordable housing, gaining meaningful employment or even enjoying clean air and water.

# Some people say team sports (football) have lots of benefits. Others say Individual sports (swimming, tennis) are better. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	May
Test Date	15/5/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The debate over whether team sports or individual sports are better has been ongoing for many years, with both sides offering valid arguments. While some believe that team sports such as football have numerous benefits, others argue that individual sports like swimming or tennis are superior. In this essay, I will discuss both perspectives and provide my own opinion on the matter.

On one hand, team sports like football have many benefits. Firstly, they foster a sense of community and teamwork. Players must work together to achieve a common goal and learn to support and rely on each other. This can improve communication skills, build relationships, and foster a sense of camaraderie. Additionally, team sports can improve physical fitness and coordination, as players must work together to execute strategic plays. This can help to develop a strong work ethic and a competitive spirit, which can translate to other areas of life.

On the other hand, individual sports like swimming or tennis have their own advantages. Firstly, they offer a sense of independence and autonomy, as the outcome of the sport relies solely on the individual's performance. This can be empowering and build self-confidence. Secondly, individual sports can help to develop specific skills and improve focus and discipline, as players must hone their technique to compete at a high level. Furthermore, individual sports can be a way to set personal goals and track progress, which can be motivating for some athletes.

In my opinion, both team and individual sports have their own benefits, and the choice between the two ultimately comes down to personal preference. For some, the sense of community and teamwork that comes from playing a team sport is what they value most. For others, the sense of independence and self-improvement that comes from playing an individual sport is what they prefer.

In conclusion, while both team and individual sports have their own advantages and disadvantages, the choice between the two ultimately comes down to personal preference. Ultimately, the most important thing is that people engage in some form of physical activity, whether it be through team or individual sports, to maintain a healthy and active lifestyle.

# The natural resources such as oil, forests and freshwater are being consumed at an alarming rate. What problems does it cause? How can we solve these problems?

Question Type	Problems & Solutions
Month	May
Test Date	19/5/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The rapid consumption of natural resources such as oil, forests and freshwater is a major cause for concern in today's world. These resources are essential for human survival and their depletion can lead to a wide range of problems, both environmental and social. In this essay, I will discuss some of the problems caused by the consumption of natural resources and outline potential solutions to these problems.

One of the major problems caused by the depletion of natural resources is environmental degradation. Deforestation has led to soil erosion, decreased biodiversity, and a decline in the overall health of the planet. Another problem caused by the overconsumption of natural resources is economic instability. The depletion of oil, for example, can lead to spikes in energy prices, which can have a negative impact on the global economy. The overconsumption of freshwater resources can also lead to conflict between communities who compete for access to limited resources.

To solve these problems, a multi-pronged approach is needed. Firstly, efforts must be made to reduce the consumption of natural resources, through increased conservation and efficiency measures. This could include increased investment in renewable energy sources, such as wind and solar power, and the adoption of environmentally-friendly technologies, such as electric vehicles. Additionally, stricter regulations and penalties must be implemented to curb illegal deforestation and to enforce sustainable water usage practices. Another solution is to invest in reforestation and water conservation efforts. Planting trees and restoring degraded ecosystems can help to reverse the damage caused by deforestation and to conserve water resources. Moreover, communities must be educated about the importance of conservation and provided with the tools and resources they need to manage their resources sustainably.

In conclusion, the rapid consumption of natural resources such as oil, forests and freshwater is a major cause for concern. However, with timely actions, we can work towards a future where natural resources are preserved for future generations.

# Whether or not someone achieves their aims is mostly a question of luck. To what extent do you agree or disagree

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	May
Test Date	20/5/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

It is customary to wish young children luck as they embark on a new adventure, such as a test in school or a sports match with their peers. However, is luck really the deciding factor when it comes to achieving goals, or does it require more than just luck? I firmly believe the latter.

Luck is a matter of chance. It is not entirely in our control. We can say that some people are lucky, but luck cannot be relied upon consistently. Take sports, for example. A soccer player may have trained rigorously to be in his best physical shape to score in the match. However, in the game he may be unlucky to hit the ball badly. This can turn out to be a decisive factor in the result. Similarly, a medical student may have studied tirelessly to gain a position in a top medical school. However, on the day of the exam he may be unfortunate to be ill. On such a crucial day, his luck with ill health will decide his future and not his efforts in the previous years.

Now, when it comes to achieving goals, one cannot always rely on luck. It is more important to make the right effort. Luck may help, but will not be a decisive factor. Considering the previous example of the soccer player, the soccer player can still score if he tries really hard, even though he may not have the luck that day. Luck can help, but as it is not in our control, making an effort is of utmost importance.

In my opinion, making the right effort and working hard are the most important factors when it comes to achieving goals, and luck may help, but is not a decisive factor.

# To succeed in business, one needs to learn and know math. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	Мау
Test Date	21/5/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In the fast-paced world of business, having a strong understanding of mathematics is undoubtedly a valuable skill. From analyzing market trends and making informed financial decisions, to creating budgets and calculating profits, math plays a critical role in the success of any business. In this essay, I will explore the extent to which I agree with the statement that to succeed in business, one needs to learn and know math.

Firstly, it is evident that a solid grasp of mathematics is essential for effective decision-making in business. For example, the ability to analyze data and interpret financial statements is crucial for determining the health of a company and making informed investment decisions. This requires a deep understanding of mathematical concepts such as ratios, percentages, and statistical analysis. Furthermore, a solid foundation in mathematics allows one to make informed predictions about future trends, based on historical data and market trends.

Additionally, mathematics plays a crucial role in the development and management of budgets and financial plans. In order to be successful, businesses need to carefully allocate resources, minimize costs, and maximize profits. This requires a clear understanding of financial calculations, such as profit margins, interest rates, and return on investment. Without a strong foundation in mathematics, it is difficult to effectively manage a company's finances, making it difficult to achieve long-term success.

However, it is important to note that mathematical skills alone do not guarantee success in business. Many successful entrepreneurs and business leaders have excelled despite having limited mathematical abilities. In these cases, they have relied on their strong interpersonal skills, innovative thinking, and ability to identify and capitalize on business opportunities.

In conclusion, while a strong understanding of mathematics is certainly an asset in the business world, it is not the only factor that determines success. However, it is undeniable that having a solid foundation in mathematical concepts and financial calculations is critical for making informed decisions, effectively managing finances, and achieving long-term success in business.

# Many different countries have most shops and products as the same. Some consider it a positive development whereas others consider it negative. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	May
Test Date	22/5/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The globalization of commerce has led to a widespread homogenization of products and services, with many countries offering similar shops and products. This phenomenon has been met with both praise and criticism, with some viewing it as a positive development while others see it as negative. In this essay, I will discuss both views and provide my own opinion on the issue.

On the one hand, proponents of homogenized products argue that it offers consumers more choice and convenience. With a wider range of products available, consumers can find what they are looking for more easily and often at a lower cost. Additionally, the availability of the same products in different countries can make it easier for multinational companies to operate and can lead to greater economic growth and job creation.

On the other hand, critics argue that the homogenization of products and services has led to a loss of cultural diversity and a reduction in the unique offerings of individual countries. They argue that the world is becoming increasingly uniform, with all countries offering the same products and services, resulting in a loss of local distinctiveness and character. Additionally, multinational corporations may dominate local markets, reducing the ability of small and local businesses to compete and leading to a reduction in local employment opportunities.

In my opinion, the homogenization of products and services is a double-edged sword, offering both benefits and drawbacks. While it is true that the availability of similar products and services can provide consumers with more choice and convenience, it is also important to recognize the negative impacts that this homogenization can have on local cultures and economies. As such, it is crucial that efforts be made to balance these competing interests and to ensure that the benefits of homogenization are realized without sacrificing cultural and economic diversity.

In conclusion, the homogenization of products and services has elicited both positive and negative reactions, with some viewing it as a positive development while others see it as negative. In my opinion, the homogenization of products and services is a double-edged sword, offering both benefits and drawbacks, and it is important to balance these competing interests in order to preserve cultural and economic diversity.

# Some people believe that to prevent illness and disease, governments should focus more on environmental pollution and housing problems. To some extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	May
Test Date	24/5/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In recent years, the importance of environmental and housing conditions as factors in promoting public health has gained widespread recognition. Some believe that governments should focus more efforts on addressing these issues to prevent illness and disease. While I agree that these factors play a significant role in determining public health outcomes, I also believe that a more holistic approach is necessary to truly tackle the issue.

On the one hand, it is true that environmental pollution and inadequate housing can have a profound impact on public health. Air pollution, for example, has been linked to a range of respiratory problems, including asthma and lung cancer. Poor housing conditions, such as overcrowding and inadequate ventilation, can also lead to the spread of infectious diseases. In these cases, it is clear that addressing environmental and housing issues can play a key role in preventing illness and disease.

On the other hand, it is important to consider that there are many other factors that contribute to public health outcomes. For example, access to quality healthcare, lifestyle choices, and genetics can all play a role in determining an individual's overall health. Therefore, while addressing environmental and housing issues is certainly important, it is not enough on its own. A more comprehensive approach, including investments in healthcare infrastructure and education campaigns to promote healthy lifestyles, is needed to truly make a difference.

In conclusion, while environmental pollution and housing problems can certainly contribute to illness and disease, it is important for governments to take a more holistic approach to public health. Addressing these issues is necessary, but it is not enough on its own. By taking a comprehensive approach, including investments in healthcare and education, we can make a significant impact on the health of populations around the world.

# In some countries, more and more people are becoming interested in finding out about the history of the house or building they live in. What are the reasons for this? How can people research this?

Question Type	Two-Part
Month	May
Test Date	26/5/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In recent years, a growing number of people in some countries have become interested in learning about the history of the buildings and houses they live in. This trend can be attributed to a number of reasons, ranging from personal curiosity to a desire to preserve cultural heritage. Regardless of the motivations behind this interest, there are a variety of ways in which people can research the history of their homes.

One of the primary reasons for this trend is the rise of genealogy and family history research. Many people are eager to learn about their ancestors and where they lived, and researching the history of their homes can provide valuable insight into their family history. Additionally, many people are drawn to the unique stories and historical events that are associated with particular homes and buildings. Another reason for this trend is the desire to preserve cultural heritage. In some cases, people may view their homes and buildings as a way to connect with their cultural roots and to preserve the history of their communities. This is particularly true for those living in older homes and buildings, where the history of the structure itself is often intertwined with the broader history of the area.

So how can people research the history of their homes and buildings? One of the most straightforward ways is to start with the public records office, where information on property ownership and building plans can often be found. Additionally, local historical societies and archives may have information on the history of a particular building or neighborhood. Online resources, such as websites and forums devoted to genealogy and local history, can also be a valuable source of information.

In conclusion, the growing interest in the history of homes and buildings is driven by a variety of factors, including personal curiosity, genealogy research, and a desire to preserve cultural heritage. Regardless of the motivations behind this trend, there are a variety of resources available to those looking to research the history of their homes and buildings, including public records offices, historical societies, online resources, and more.

Some human activities have negative effects on plant and animal species. Some people think it is too late to do anything about this problem while others think effective measures can be taken to improve this situation. Discuss both views and give our opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	May
Test Date	29/5/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

There is no doubt that humans are severely damaging plants and animals all over the planet. The need to address this immense problem has become crucial and urgent. While it is true that the damage is widespread and shocking, I believe the situation is not hopeless.

Human beings have caused severe damage to natural habitats. Forests are being cut down at an alarming rate. Waterways are polluted with toxic chemicals. Climate change has altered ecosystems to such an extent that plants and animals can no longer survive. As a result, species are going extinct.

On a practical level, governments and individuals can take steps to solve the problem. Policies and laws can be put into place to protect forests and other natural areas. Governments can impose taxes on businesses and industries that create pollution. Organizations can be formed to safely clean up polluted sites.

Socially, if all members of society are united in their desire to save the planet, human activities will improve. For example, students and teachers can plant native trees in their schools. Governments can run television and web ads to educate the public about the problem and its causes and effects.

Finally, we should not lose hope. We can still fix the problem if we commit to a change in attitude and actions.

# In some countries the widespread use of the internet has given people more freedom to work or study at home instead of traveling to work or college. Do the advantages outweigh disadvantages?

Question Type	Advantages & Disadvantages
Month	May
Test Date	30/5/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The widespread use of the internet has given people the freedom to work or study from home, reducing the need for them to travel to their workplace or college. While there are several advantages to this new way of life, there are also some disadvantages that must be considered.

On the positive side, working from home allows people to save time and money that would have otherwise been spent on traveling. This can increase their efficiency, as they can spend more time on work without the distractions of a noisy office environment. In addition, telecommuting can reduce traffic congestion, which in turn can help to improve air quality and reduce carbon emissions.

However, there are also some disadvantages to working from home. Telecommuters may feel isolated and miss the social interactions with their colleagues. They may also find it difficult to separate their work and personal life, which can lead to burnout and decreased productivity. In some cases, people may struggle to create a comfortable working environment in their home, which can negatively impact their work performance.

In conclusion, the advantages and disadvantages of working from home must be carefully considered. It is important for individuals to find a balance between their work and personal life, and for employers to support their employees in doing so.

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# Nowadays people have cosmetic surgery to improve life. Why do many more people choose these operations? Do you think this is a positive or negative development?

Question Type	Two-Part
Month	June
Test Date	2/6/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The increasing popularity of cosmetic surgery has become a topic of much debate in recent years. In this essay, I will investigate the reasons behind and evaluate this trend.

One reason for the rise in cosmetic surgery is the increased affordability and availability of such procedures. Advances in medical technology and a growing number of trained professionals have made it possible for more people to undergo cosmetic procedures at a relatively low cost. Additionally, the increased visibility of cosmetic surgery in the media and advertising has created a more accepting societal attitude towards it, which has encouraged more people to consider it as an option.

While some view cosmetic surgery as a positive development, others argue that it is a negative trend. They argue that it reinforces harmful beauty standards that prioritize external appearance over inner qualities, leading people to feel pressure to conform to these ideals. Furthermore, cosmetic surgery can have serious health risks and is not always effective in achieving the desired results, causing disappointment and even physical harm.

In conclusion, while cosmetic surgery offers individuals the chance to enhance their physical appearance, it is important to consider both the potential benefits and drawbacks before making the decision to undergo a procedure.

# Environmental damage is a problem in most countries. What factors damage the environment and who should take responsibility?

Question Type	Two-Part
Month	June
Test Date	4/6/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Environmental damage is a growing concern in most countries, and it is imperative that action be taken to prevent further harm. There are several factors that contribute to environmental degradation, including industrialization, deforestation, and pollution.

Industrialization is a major contributor to environmental damage as factories and other industrial processes emit harmful chemicals and pollutants into the air and water. Deforestation, which involves cutting down trees and destroying forests, is also a major contributor. Forests play a crucial role in regulating the Earth's climate and helping to maintain a healthy environment, and their destruction has a profound impact on the environment.

Pollution is another factor that contributes to environmental damage. Pollution can come from a variety of sources, including transportation, agriculture, and household waste. This pollution can have severe effects on the environment, such as causing air and water pollution, killing wildlife, and damaging ecosystems.

The responsibility for protecting the environment should fall on everyone, but particularly those who have the power to make significant changes. Governments and large corporations have the resources and influence to implement policies and technologies that can help reduce environmental damage. Consumers also have a responsibility to make environmentally friendly choices and support companies that prioritize sustainability.

In conclusion, environmental damage is a complex issue with many contributing factors. However, it is clear that everyone has a role to play in preventing further harm and protecting the planet for future generations. Governments, corporations, and individuals must work together to make sustainable choices and reduce the impact of human activities on the environment.

Some people believe that children should be taught about recycling and avoiding waste at home, while others believe children should learn this at school. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
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Test Date	5/6/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Recycling and limiting waste are important skills and habits. Some people feel that children should learn about recycling and waste reduction at home. Others believe that children should learn about these issues in school. The best option is to teach children these skills both at home and at school.

On the one hand, parents have a strong influence on their children. They are responsible for teaching their children about recycling, conserving water and electricity and avoiding waste. They can show their children how to sort recyclables from garbage and explain why this is important. They can show their children how to conserve water when taking showers or washing dishes, and how to turn off the tap when they brush their teeth. They can teach their children to turn off the lights when they leave a room.

On the other hand, teachers can also be positive role models for children, just as parents are. Teachers can teach their students about recycling, water and energy conservation, and waste avoidance. They can encourage their students to develop environmentally friendly habits at school and at home.

In conclusion, it is important to teach children these valuable skills both at home and at school. Doing so helps to protect the environment and conserve natural resources. It also makes children more aware of environmental issues and helps them to become responsible citizens of the world.

Some people say that economic growth is the only way to end hunger and poverty, while others say that economic growth is damaging the environment so it must be stopped. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	June
Test Date	6/6/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Economic growth has been a topic of debate for many years, with some arguing that it is the only way to end poverty and hunger, while others believe that it is damaging the environment and must be stopped. In this essay, I will examine both perspectives and provide my personal view.

On one hand, proponents of economic growth argue that it is the only way to lift people out of poverty and end hunger. As economies grow, they create jobs and increase wealth, leading to greater access to food and basic necessities. This can be seen in many developed countries, where higher levels of economic growth have led to increased prosperity and lower levels of poverty.

However, opponents of economic growth argue that it is damaging the environment and must be stopped. As economies grow, they consume more resources and emit more pollutants, leading to environmental degradation. This can be seen in many countries, where economic growth has led to deforestation, air and water pollution, and a decline in biodiversity.

In my opinion, both perspectives have merit. Economic growth can be a positive force for change, but it must be managed responsibly in order to avoid damaging the environment. Rather than abandoning economic growth, we must work to find ways to promote sustainable growth that balances economic and environmental considerations.

In conclusion, while economic growth can bring many benefits, it must be managed responsibly to avoid damaging the environment.

# If people could choose between a life without working or a life spending too much time working, people would choose a life without work. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	June
Test Date	7/6/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

I strongly disagree with the statement that people would choose a life without work. While it is true that work can be tiring and stressful at times, it also provides a sense of purpose and fulfillment that cannot be achieved through leisure alone.

Work is an essential part of our lives as it helps us to maintain a healthy routine, stay motivated, and provide us with financial stability. A life without work would lead to boredom and lack of challenge, which would in turn lead to a decline in mental and physical health. Additionally, work helps us to develop new skills and gain valuable experience, which can be applied in various aspects of life.

Moreover, work plays a crucial role in our social lives as it provides us with opportunities to interact with others, form relationships, and participate in a community. Without work, individuals would lack the opportunity to connect with others and build meaningful relationships, leading to feelings of loneliness and isolation.

It is also important to note that a life without work would likely result in a lack of financial security and stability. Without a steady source of income, individuals would struggle to meet their basic needs and provide for themselves and their families.

In conclusion, while a life without work may seem appealing, it would not provide the same sense of purpose, fulfillment, and financial stability as a life that involves work. Therefore, I disagree with the statement that people would choose a life without work.

# Some people think watching TV is bad for children, while others think that watching TV has more beneficial effects on children. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	June
Test Date	10/6/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Television has been a subject of debate for decades, with some people believing it to be harmful for children and others claiming that it has beneficial effects. In this essay, I will discuss both views and provide my own opinion on the matter.

On the one hand, it is widely believed that watching too much TV can have negative effects on children. Exposure to violent or inappropriate content can lead to increased aggression and decreased moral values. Additionally, children who watch excessive amounts of TV are at risk of becoming sedentary and developing obesity and other related health problems. Furthermore, excessive TV watching can also lead to decreased attention spans and negatively impact a child's academic performance.

On the other hand, some argue that TV can have positive effects on children. For example, educational programs can help children learn new facts and information, while documentaries can broaden their horizons and expose them to different cultures and perspectives. Moreover, TV can provide entertainment and help children relax after a busy day at school.

In my opinion, the impact of TV on children largely depends on the type and amount of content they are exposed to. While it is true that excessive TV watching can be harmful, children can also benefit from watching educational and culturally enriching programs. Thus, it is important for parents to carefully monitor the type of content their children are consuming and limit the amount of time they spend in front of the TV.

In conclusion, while both views on the impact of TV on children have valid points, it is important to strike a balance between the positive and negative effects. By carefully monitoring the type of content their children are consuming and limiting the amount of time spent in front of the TV, parents can help ensure that their children receive the benefits of watching TV while minimizing any potential harm.

# Pop stars earn much more than classical music performers. Some people think this is fully justified while others think it is unfair. Discuss both these views and give your own opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	June
Test Date	11/6/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The disparity in earnings between pop stars and classical music performers has been a topic of much discussion, with some people viewing it as fully justified, while others believe it to be unfair. In this essay, I will discuss both views and provide my own opinion on the matter.

On one hand, those who believe that the difference in earnings is justified argue that pop stars are more in demand and attract larger audiences, which translates into higher ticket sales and merchandise revenue. Additionally, pop stars often have a more mass appeal and are able to reach a wider demographic, which allows them to command higher fees for their performances.

On the other hand, those who view the disparity as unfair argue that classical music performers often have a higher level of skill and training, and that their performances require a greater degree of discipline and dedication. Moreover, they argue that classical music has a longer history and cultural significance, and that it is unfair that pop stars are able to command higher fees simply because they are more popular.

In my opinion, while both arguments have valid points, it is important to recognize that the music industry operates within a market economy, where supply and demand drive the prices for artists. Pop stars may be more in demand and earn more due to their ability to attract larger audiences and generate more revenue, but this does not mean that their music is of higher quality or more valuable than that of classical performers. Furthermore, it is worth considering that the music industry as a whole is in a state of flux, and that the earnings of both pop stars and classical performers may be influenced by a range of factors, including technological advancements and changes in consumer preferences.

In conclusion, while both views on the disparity in earnings between pop stars and classical music performers have valid points, it is important to recognize that the music industry operates within a market economy, and that the earnings of artists are driven by supply and demand. Rather than focusing on the difference in earnings, it is more important to celebrate the diverse range of musical styles and genres that are available to us, and to appreciate the unique qualities and contributions of each.

# The only reason to work hard is to earn money. To what extent you do agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	June
Test Date	13/6/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The notion that the only reason to work hard is to earn money is a contentious issue, and opinions on the matter vary widely. In this essay, I will discuss my views on this topic.

While it is true that money is a crucial aspect of our lives, and that work is often necessary in order to earn it, it is not the only reason people work hard. Many people find fulfillment and purpose in their careers, and are motivated by the sense of accomplishment and progress that comes from working hard and achieving their goals. For example, individuals who work in fields such as medicine, education, or public service may be driven by a desire to make a positive impact on the lives of others, and are often motivated by factors such as a sense of duty or a desire to contribute to society.

Moreover, working hard can also bring other non-financial benefits, such as personal growth, the development of new skills and knowledge, and the opportunity to form meaningful relationships with colleagues and clients. These factors can play an important role in shaping our personal and professional identities, and can have a lasting impact on our well-being and overall satisfaction with life.

It is also worth considering that work is not solely about earning money. Many people engage in work that they are passionate about, and that they enjoy, regardless of the financial rewards. This may include hobbies, volunteer work, or artistic pursuits, and these activities can provide a sense of fulfillment and satisfaction that is separate from any financial compensation.

In conclusion, while money is certainly a factor that drives many people to work hard, it is not the only reason. By recognizing the complex motivations that drive people to work hard, we can gain a deeper understanding of what drives human behavior, and what makes work an important part of our lives.

## In education and employment, some people work harder than others. Why do some people work harder? Is it always a good thing to work hard?

Question Type	Two-Part
Month	June
Test Date	17/6/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

It is widely recognized that some people work harder than others, both in education and employment. There are several reasons why some individuals work harder than others, and the topic of whether it is always a good thing to work hard is open to debate. In this essay, I will explore both these questions.

One reason why some people work harder than others is that they have a clear set of goals and aspirations. These individuals are driven by a desire to succeed, and are willing to put in the effort required to achieve their goals. They are often highly motivated and are not afraid to take risks in pursuit of their ambitions. This can lead to a greater level of success, both professionally and personally. Another reason why some people work harder than others is that they have a strong work ethic and a sense of responsibility. These individuals recognize that their work is an important part of their lives, and take pride in doing it well. They understand that their efforts can make a positive impact on others, and are motivated by a desire to contribute to society.

While working hard can bring many benefits, it is important to recognize that it is not always a good thing. Those who work too hard may experience burnout and become exhausted, both physically and emotionally. This can lead to decreased productivity and a lack of motivation, and can have a negative impact on their overall well-being. Additionally, individuals who work too hard may neglect other important aspects of their lives, such as their health, relationships, and personal interests.

In conclusion, while there are many factors that can influence why some people work harder than others, it is important to recognize that working too hard is not always a good thing. It is important to find a healthy balance between work and other aspects of life. By doing so, individuals can maintain their well-being, remain motivated and productive, and achieve their goals in a sustainable way.

## Crimes committed by young people are increasing in major cities throughout the world. Discuss the causes and how to solve this problem.

Question Type	Causes & Solutions
Month	June
Test Date	18/6/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

It is without a doubt that crimes committed by young people are increasing in major cities around the globe. While there are multiple reasons to explain the causes of this phenomena, there are also numerous ways in which society can address it.

There are many different factors which contribute to crime amongst young people. Firstly, part of the reason is that the quality of education is declining. This has resulted in students in many countries not getting a proper education in order to prosper in the future and thus, are not able to find suitable jobs. When young people are weary of their future, there is a high possibility that they will drop out of school and take a turn in the wrong lane. Another factor is that some parents have too many children and are unable to care for them. These children, when they are not subject to discipline and values at home, are more likely to commit crimes and take part in illegal activities. The third reason is that these young people lack role models to look up to and not only this, but they also watch many violent videos and movies, which might increase their tendency to commit crimes.

There are some ways in which societies can help to reduce the crime rate amongst young people. Firstly, it can stop producing movies and TV series which have high violence content. Secondly, governments should stop building more and more shopping malls and instead, focus on building factories and more job opportunities. Finally, parents should focus on having fewer children and making sure to give them the proper education.

In conclusion, the major causes of juvenile delinquency are a lack of education, a decline in standard of living, the lack of a role model and videos with high violence content. Crime amongst young people, while a massive problem in the world today, can be prevented if all countries work together to eliminate the causes, which have been discussed above.

## Parents should encourage children to spend less time studying and more time doing physical activities. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	June
Test Date	22/6/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

It is often said that parents should encourage their children to spend less time studying and more time engaging in physical activities. While there is some truth to this idea, I believe that the issue is more complex than a simple dichotomy between study and play. In this essay, I will examine both sides of the argument and give my own perspective on the issue.

On the one hand, there is no denying the many benefits of physical activity for children. Engaging in regular exercise helps to build strength, improve coordination, and maintain a healthy weight. It also has a positive impact on mental well-being, reducing stress and anxiety and promoting a sense of happiness and self-esteem. Furthermore, participating in physical activities can help children develop social skills, as they learn to work with others and build relationships.

On the other hand, it is also important to recognize the value of education and academic study. Children who spend time studying and developing their knowledge and skills are better equipped to succeed in their future careers. They have a wider range of opportunities available to them and are more likely to be able to make a positive impact on the world. Additionally, the discipline and focus required for academic study can help to build character and develop a strong work ethic, which will serve children well in their later lives.

In my opinion, the answer to the question of whether parents should encourage children to spend less time studying and more time engaged in physical activity is not a simple one. Instead, I believe that the key is finding a healthy balance between these two important areas of a child's life. Children should have time for both physical activity and academic study, and parents should help them to find a balance that works for them. This might mean encouraging children to participate in sports or other physical activities after school or on weekends, while also ensuring that they have time to study and do homework.

In conclusion, while there are many benefits to both physical activity and academic study, it is important to find a healthy balance between the two. By doing so, children can reap the benefits of both and develop into well-rounded, healthy individuals. Parents play a critical role in helping their children find this balance, and it is up to them to encourage and support their children in both their physical and academic pursuits.

## All fathers should be entitled to time off from work when their children are born. What is your opinion?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	June
Test Date	23/6/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The question of whether all fathers should be entitled to time off from work when their children are born is a complex and controversial one, with valid arguments on both sides. In this essay, I will examine both perspectives and provide my own opinion on the matter.

On the one hand, proponents of this idea argue that fathers play an important role in their children's lives and should be given the opportunity to take time off from work to bond with their newborns. This time can be used to provide emotional and practical support to the mother and to form a strong connection with the child. It is also an opportunity for the father to take an active role in the early stages of their child's development, which can have a lasting impact on the relationship between father and child.

On the other hand, opponents of this idea argue that allowing fathers to take time off from work when their children are born could lead to negative consequences for the economy. For example, businesses may have to compensate for the absence of the father by hiring additional employees, which could increase costs and lead to reduced profits. Furthermore, some employers may be unwilling to grant this time off due to concerns about employee productivity and the impact on their workload.

In my opinion, all fathers should be entitled to time off from work when their children are born, but with certain qualifications. For example, the amount of time off granted could vary depending on the circumstances of the family, with more time being given to families in which the mother is unable to take a significant amount of time off from work. Additionally, the cost of this time off should be shared between the government, employers, and employees, to reduce the impact on businesses and the economy.

In conclusion, while there are valid arguments on both sides of this issue, I believe that all fathers should be entitled to time off from work when their children are born. This time can help to strengthen the bond between father and child, while also reducing the burden on mothers. However, this time off should be granted with certain qualifications, such as the amount of time off given and who pays for it, to ensure that the impact on the economy is minimized.

# Art classes should be compulsory in high school. Do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	June
Test Date	24/6/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The question of whether art classes should be compulsory in high school is a highly debated topic, with arguments on both sides. In this essay, I will examine both perspectives and provide my own opinion on the matter.

Opponents of compulsory art classes argue that schools should focus on core subjects such as mathematics, science, and English, as these are the subjects that are most relevant to future employment and success in life. Additionally, they argue that resources and funding are limited, and that art classes may not be the best use of those resources.

However, in my opinion, art classes should be compulsory in high school. While it is true that subjects such as mathematics, science, and English are important, it is also true that students need a well-rounded education that includes exposure to the arts. Furthermore, studies have shown that students who participate in art education are more likely to be successful in their future academic and professional pursuits, and that art education can have a positive impact on their overall well-being.

In conclusion, while there are arguments on both sides of this issue, I believe that art classes should be compulsory in high school. The benefits of art education, such as the development of creativity and critical thinking skills, are too important to be ignored.

Some people believe that the government should not spend money on international aid when they have their own disadvantaged people like the homeless and unemployed. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	June
Test Date	25/6/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The question of whether governments should prioritize spending on domestic issues such as homelessness and unemployment over international aid is a complex one. In this essay, I will examine both perspectives and provide my own opinion on the matter.

On the one hand, those who argue that governments should prioritize spending on domestic issues argue that they have a responsibility to provide for their own citizens before helping others. This is particularly true for those who are homeless or unemployed, as they are some of the most vulnerable members of society. Providing for these citizens is not only a moral obligation, but it is also essential for ensuring social stability and preventing the spread of poverty and crime.

On the other hand, proponents of international aid argue that it is an important tool for promoting global stability and progress. Aid can help to alleviate poverty, provide access to education and healthcare, and promote economic development in less developed countries. Furthermore, by helping to address global issues such as poverty and inequality, international aid can help to create a more stable and peaceful world, which is in the best interest of all nations.

In my opinion, while it is important to provide for one's own citizens, international aid is also an essential component of global progress. Providing aid to less developed countries can help to alleviate poverty, promote economic development, and create a more stable and peaceful world. Additionally, international aid can also have indirect benefits for one's own citizens, such as promoting trade and investment, and providing opportunities for cultural exchange.

In conclusion, while there are arguments on both sides of this issue, I believe that governments should continue to provide international aid. While it is important to provide for one's own citizens, international aid is also essential for promoting global stability and progress.

## Some believe that younger family members should be legally responsible for supporting older family members when they become physically, mentally and financially unable to look after themselves. Do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	June
Test Date	26/6/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The question of whether younger family members should be legally responsible for supporting older family members is a complex and sensitive issue. In this essay, I will examine both perspectives and provide my own opinion on the matter.

On the one hand, those who argue that younger family members should be legally responsible for supporting older family members believe that this is a matter of family values and traditions. They argue that taking care of elderly family members is an important part of a person's moral and cultural obligations, and that it is essential for maintaining strong family bonds. Additionally, they believe that this type of support can be more personalized and compassionate than support provided by the government.

On the other hand, those who believe that the government should be responsible for supporting elderly family members argue that it is unjust to impose this responsibility on younger family members. They argue that it is the government's responsibility to provide support for those who are unable to care for themselves, regardless of their family relationships. Furthermore, they believe that requiring younger family members to support elderly family members can create financial and emotional stress, which can have a negative impact on their well-being.

In my opinion, it is neither right nor fair to impose the responsibility of supporting elderly family members solely on younger family members. While it is important to maintain strong family bonds and traditions, it is also the government's responsibility to provide support for those who are unable to care for themselves. Additionally, providing support through government programs can ensure that all elderly citizens receive adequate care, regardless of their family relationships.

In conclusion, the question of whether younger family members should be legally responsible for supporting older family members is a complex issue that requires a nuanced approach. While it is important to maintain family traditions and values, it is also essential to ensure that all elderly citizens receive adequate support. Ultimately, it is the responsibility of the government to provide support for those who are unable to care for themselves, while also encouraging and supporting family members to provide care where possible.

## Government should support care vs finance for retired people while others believe that they should save money when they get older. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	June
Test Date	28/6/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The issue of how the government should support retired individuals has been the subject of much debate. Some people believe that the government should provide care services to the elderly, while others advocate for individuals to save money for their own future. In this essay, I will discuss both views and provide my own opinion.

On one hand, those who support government care for the elderly argue that retirees should not be expected to rely on their own savings. They often face high medical costs and other expenses that can be challenging to pay for. In addition, many retirees have limited financial resources and may not have the ability to save enough money for their later years. For these reasons, proponents of government care argue that it is the government's responsibility to ensure that retirees have access to adequate healthcare and other support services.

On the other hand, those who advocate for individuals to save money for their own future point out that relying on the government can be risky. Governments can change their policies and reduce their support, which would leave retirees with no other options. Additionally, many people believe that they should take responsibility for their own lives and prepare for their own future. They believe that if they save money when they are younger, they will have enough resources to support themselves in their later years.

In my opinion, both arguments have some merit. It is important for individuals to be financially responsible and save money for their own future. However, it is also true that many retirees face significant financial challenges and may not have the ability to save enough money. In this case, the government has a responsibility to ensure that retirees have access to adequate support services.

In conclusion, the issue of how the government should support retired individuals is complex and requires a nuanced approach. Individuals should be encouraged to save money for their own future, but the government must also play a role in ensuring that retirees have access to adequate care and support services.

Some people say that advertising encourages us to buy things that we really do not need. Others say that advertisements tell us about new products that may improve our lives. Which viewpoint do you agree with?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	June
Test Date	29/6/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Advertising is a powerful tool that has a profound impact on consumers, eliciting both positive and negative opinions. On one hand, some believe that advertisements contribute to our materialistic desires and encourage us to buy things we don't actually need. On the other hand, others argue that advertisements provide information about new products that can improve our lives. In this essay, I will discuss both viewpoints and provide my own opinion.

Advocates of the first viewpoint argue that advertisements contribute to consumerism, leading us to buy things that we don't actually need. They believe that advertisements create unrealistic expectations and promote materialistic values, encouraging consumers to pursue material goods at the expense of other, more important things in life, like relationships and personal development. Furthermore, they argue that advertisements often present products in an exaggerated or false manner, making it difficult for consumers to make informed decisions.

On the other hand, supporters of the second viewpoint argue that advertisements provide valuable information about new products that can improve our lives. They believe that advertisements help to increase competition, leading to better quality products at lower prices. Additionally, they argue that advertisements allow consumers to make informed decisions by providing them with a wealth of information about different products and their features.

In my opinion, advertisements can have both positive and negative impacts on consumers. While advertisements can indeed encourage consumers to buy things they don't need, they can also provide valuable information about new products and their features, allowing consumers to make informed decisions. However, it is up to the individual to make responsible purchasing decisions and avoid falling prey to materialistic desires.

In conclusion, advertisements can have both positive and negative impacts on consumers, and it is up to the individual to make responsible purchasing decisions. Whether or not advertisements are seen as a positive or negative influence, it is clear that they play a significant role in shaping consumer behavior and perceptions of material goods.

## It is important for parents to read stories to children. Others think it is unnecessary because children can find them in other sources e.g books, and TV. Discuss both views and give opinions.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	June
Test Date	30/6/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Reading stories to children has long been considered a significant aspect of childhood, with many people believing that it is important for parents to do so. On the other hand, there are those who argue that reading stories to children is unnecessary as children can access them from a variety of other sources, such as books and television. In this essay, both viewpoints will be discussed and my personal opinion will be given.

Firstly, reading stories to children has been proven to be an important and beneficial activity. When parents read to their children, they are promoting literacy, vocabulary, and language skills. Additionally, reading stories together helps to build a strong bond between parent and child, as well as stimulating a child's imagination and creativity. Furthermore, reading stories to children is a great opportunity for parents to expose their children to different cultures, perspectives and values, thereby expanding their horizons.

On the other hand, it could be argued that reading stories to children is no longer necessary, as children have access to a wealth of stories from other sources. Books, for example, provide an opportunity for children to develop independent reading skills, and television can provide a visual representation of the stories, thereby making them more engaging and interactive. Furthermore, digital devices like e-readers and tablet computers provide access to thousands of stories, making it easy for children to find what they are interested in.

In conclusion, while both arguments have their merits, I believe that it is still important for parents to read stories to their children. Although children can access stories from other sources, nothing can replace the special bond and the personal connection that is created when parents read to their children. Additionally, reading stories with a parent is a unique experience that provides opportunities for learning and growth that cannot be replicated by other sources.

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## Scientists tell us that some activities are good for health and others are bad. Despite knowing that, millions of people still continue doing unhealthy activities. What are the causes and what are the solutions for this?

Question Type	Causes & Solutions
Month	July
Test Date	4/7/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

There is no denying that scientists have made great strides in identifying activities that are beneficial to our health and those that are harmful. Nevertheless, millions of people continue to engage in unhealthy activities, despite being aware of the dangers. This phenomenon is rooted in several causes, as well as potential solutions.

One of the main causes is that unhealthy habits are often deeply ingrained and difficult to break. For example, many people continue to smoke despite the well-documented health risks. This is often due to the addictive nature of nicotine, which makes it difficult for smokers to quit. Similarly, many people continue to consume junk food, despite the high levels of sugar and unhealthy fats, because it is easy and convenient.

Another reason people continue to engage in unhealthy activities is a lack of education and awareness. Many people do not fully understand the consequences of their actions and how they can negatively impact their health. In addition, they may not have access to information or resources that would enable them to make healthier choices.

To solve these problems, it is essential that the public be better informed about the dangers of unhealthy activities and the benefits of healthy habits. Governments can play a role in this by providing educational programs, funding health research, and providing incentives for people to adopt healthier lifestyles. In addition, employers can create a work environment that encourages healthy habits, such as providing healthy food options, promoting physical activity, and offering health insurance benefits. Ultimately, individuals must take responsibility for their own health and make the conscious choice to engage in healthy activities. This may involve breaking old habits and forming new ones, as well as seeking out information and resources to help them make healthier choices.

In conclusion, while scientists have identified the dangers of unhealthy activities, millions of people continue to engage in these activities due to various causes. However, by providing education and resources, encouraging healthy habits, and taking personal responsibility for our health, we can work towards a healthier and more fulfilling life.

## Some people think that the main purpose of schools is to turn children into good citizens and workers, rather than to benefit them as individuals. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	July
Test Date	5/7/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

I completely disagree with the notion that the main purpose of schools is to turn children into good citizens and workers. While it is certainly important for schools to prepare students for life beyond the classroom, the primary role of schools should be to benefit children as individuals.

First and foremost, schools should help students develop their own unique interests and passions. Education is not just about learning how to read and write, but it is also about fostering creativity and intellectual curiosity. By providing students with a well-rounded education that covers a variety of subjects, schools can help students discover their true passions and equip them with the skills they need to pursue them.

In addition, schools should provide students with the tools and resources they need to lead fulfilling and meaningful lives. This includes teaching them how to communicate effectively, solve problems, and work collaboratively with others. Schools should also encourage students to be independent thinkers and encourage them to question authority and conventional wisdom. By developing these skills and attitudes, students are better equipped to navigate the challenges of life and find their own path in the world.

Finally, schools should provide students with a sense of purpose and meaning. This can be achieved through projects, community service opportunities, and other activities that allow students to contribute to their communities and feel like they are making a difference in the world. When students feel like they are part of something larger than themselves, they are more motivated to learn and grow.

In conclusion, while it is important for schools to prepare students for life beyond the classroom, the main purpose of schools should be to benefit children as individuals. By fostering creativity, providing students with the tools and resources they need to lead fulfilling lives, and giving them a sense of purpose, schools can help students become well-rounded individuals who are ready to tackle the challenges of the world with confidence and resilience. Some people think that all teenagers should be required to do unpaid work in their free time to help the local community. They believe this would benefit both the individual teenager and society as a whole. Do you agree or disagree?

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## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

I completely agree with the notion that all teenagers should be required to do some form of unpaid work in their free time to help the local community. Not only does this help in creating a sense of community spirit and unity, it also provides teenagers with a chance to develop valuable skills and make a positive impact on society.

Firstly, volunteering in the local community gives teenagers the opportunity to give back to society. They can help out in various ways such as cleaning up parks, assisting at local schools, or even working at a food bank. By doing so, they can make a real difference in the lives of others and contribute to the betterment of their community.

Secondly, unpaid work helps teenagers to develop essential skills such as teamwork, leadership, problemsolving, and communication. These skills are not only useful in their future careers, but also in their personal lives. Through volunteer work, teenagers can also gain confidence and self-esteem, which are important for their overall well-being.

Thirdly, participating in unpaid work can also help teenagers to learn about different cultures and gain a broader perspective on the world. They can work with people from different backgrounds and learn about their customs and beliefs, which can broaden their minds and help them to become more accepting of others.

In conclusion, I believe that requiring all teenagers to do unpaid work in their free time is a great idea. Not only does it provide an opportunity for them to give back to the community, but it also helps them to develop essential skills and gain a broader perspective on the world. This can be beneficial for both the individual teenager and society as a whole.

# Nowadays people depend on technology for leisure activities. Is this a positive or negative development?

Question Type	Positive/Negative
Month	July
Test Date	7/7/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The increasing dependence on technology for leisure activities has elicited both positive and negative responses. On one hand, technology has greatly enhanced the ways in which people can spend their leisure time. On the other hand, it has raised concerns about the negative effects it may have on individuals and society as a whole.

One of the most notable benefits of technology for leisure activities is that it has made it easier for people to connect with each other. Through social media and other online platforms, people can share interests, connect with friends and family, and engage in communities centered around common hobbies and activities. Additionally, technology has made it possible for people to access a virtually limitless array of entertainment options, such as music, movies, and video games, from the comfort of their own homes.

However, there are also negative aspects to this increased dependence on technology. One of the most pressing concerns is that it can lead to social isolation and a decline in face-to-face interactions. As people spend more time on their devices and less time interacting with others in person, they may become increasingly isolated from the people around them. Additionally, this dependence on technology can have a negative impact on mental health, leading to feelings of anxiety, depression, and decreased levels of happiness.

Another concern is that the increasing dependence on technology for leisure activities can have a negative impact on physical health. Sitting in front of a screen for long periods of time has been linked to a number of health problems, including eye strain, back pain, and poor posture. Furthermore, spending too much time on digital devices can lead to a sedentary lifestyle, which can contribute to the development of chronic diseases like obesity and cardiovascular disease.

In conclusion, while technology has brought many benefits to the ways in which people can spend their leisure time, it has also raised concerns about its negative impacts on individuals and society. To ensure that the benefits of technology are maximized and the negative effects are minimized, it is important for individuals to take an active role in managing their technology use and engaging in a balanced mix of digital and non-digital activities.

## Companies use major sporting events to promote their products. Some people think it has a negative effect on sport in general. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disag
Month	July
Test Date	9/7/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

gree

I partially agree that companies using major sporting events to promote their products can have a negative impact on sport in general. On one hand, the commercialization of sports events can bring about many benefits, but on the other hand, it can also have several drawbacks that can harm the essence of sports.

One of the major benefits of commercialization is that it provides significant financial support to sports organizations and athletes. This allows them to invest in better equipment, facilities, and training programs, which can help to improve the overall quality of sports. Additionally, the exposure that these events receive can increase public interest in sports, leading to an increase in the number of people participating in physical activity and a healthier population.

However, there are also several negative impacts associated with commercialization. One of the most significant is that it can take away from the pureness of the sport and make it more about making a profit than about competition. Companies may put their own interests ahead of the interests of the sport, causing athletes to become mere pawns in the quest for greater profits. This can lead to a loss of the spirit of competition and the integrity of the sport.

Moreover, the commercialization of sports events can lead to an increase in the cost of tickets, making it difficult for ordinary people to attend these events. This can also result in a decrease in the diversity of the audience, as only people with higher incomes can afford to attend. This can lead to a loss of community spirit and a reduction in the popularity of sports.

In conclusion, while commercialization of sports events can bring about significant financial benefits, it can also have a negative impact on the pureness of the sport and the spirit of competition. It is therefore important to strike a balance between the commercialization of sports and the preservation of their essence and integrity.

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

Question Type	Positive/Negative
Month	July
Test Date	16/7/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The growing popularity of researching the history of one's own family has been driven by a number of factors, and this trend can be seen as both positive and negative. On the one hand, researching family history provides individuals with a deeper understanding of their own identity and cultural heritage. On the other hand, it can raise issues of privacy and potentially uncover uncomfortable truths about one's ancestors.

One of the main reasons people want to research their family history is to gain a better understanding of their own identity and where they come from. By learning about their family's past, individuals can gain a deeper appreciation for the cultural traditions and values that have been passed down through generations. This can provide a sense of connection to one's ancestors and a feeling of rootedness in a particular place and culture.

Another reason people want to research their family history is to gain a deeper understanding of the events and circumstances that shaped their family's story. By uncovering details about their ancestors' lives, individuals can gain a better understanding of the hardships and triumphs they faced, and how those experiences have influenced their own lives.

However, researching family history can also raise issues of privacy. In some cases, individuals may uncover information about their ancestors that they would rather not know, such as criminal behavior or secret family relationships. Additionally, the growing popularity of genealogy databases and other online resources has made it easier for people to access information about their family's past, which can raise questions about privacy and data protection.

In conclusion, the growing popularity of researching the history of one's own family can be seen as both positive and negative. While it provides individuals with a deeper understanding of their own identity and cultural heritage, it also raises important questions about privacy and the access to personal information. Ultimately, the decision to research one's family history is a personal one that should be based on the individual's own priorities and goals.

Nowadays, most people try to balance between work and other parts of their lives. Unfortunately, not many achieve this balance. What are the problems with this? Suggest some solutions to solve the problems.

Question Type	Problems & Solutions
Month	July
Test Date	23/7/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

It is a common phenomenon in today's fast-paced world that many people struggle to achieve a balance between work and other aspects of their lives. There are several reasons why this is the case, and finding solutions to these problems is critical in helping individuals lead more fulfilling lives.

One of the main problems is the increasing workload and longer working hours that many individuals face. With technological advancements and the increasing demand for productivity, employees are often expected to work longer hours and to be available outside of regular working hours. This can lead to burnout and an overall lack of work-life balance. Another factor contributing to this imbalance is the lack of flexibility in the workplace. Many employers are reluctant to allow employees to work from home or to have flexible working hours, even though this could help to improve work-life balance. This rigid approach to work can result in employees feeling trapped and unable to manage their time effectively. The pressure to conform to societal expectations and to achieve financial stability can also contribute to the lack of balance between work and other aspects of life. Many individuals are reluctant to take time off from work or to prioritize their personal lives, for fear of being seen as lacking commitment or not being serious about their careers.

To address these problems, there are several solutions that could be implemented. Firstly, employers could provide more flexible working arrangements, such as telecommuting and flexible hours, to help employees better manage their time. This would allow them to balance their work and personal lives more effectively. Secondly, individuals themselves need to take responsibility for managing their time and setting clear boundaries between work and personal life. This could involve setting specific times for checking email, limiting after-hours work, and prioritizing personal activities and hobbies. Finally, society as a whole needs to change its attitudes towards work-life balance. Employers and employees alike need to recognize the importance of taking time for oneself and should prioritize personal well-being and happiness.

In conclusion, finding balance between work and other aspects of life is a challenge for many individuals. However, by implementing flexible working arrangements, taking responsibility for managing time, and changing societal attitudes, this balance can be achieved, leading to more fulfilling and happier lives.

## In the modern world, it is possible to shop, work and communicate with people via the internet and live without any face-to-face contact with others. Is it a positive or negative development?

Question Type	Positive/Negative
Month	July
Test Date	24/7/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The widespread use of technology and the internet has revolutionized the way we live, work and communicate. It is now possible to shop, work and communicate with others without any face-to-face contact. While this development has brought about many benefits, it has also led to some negative consequences.

On the positive side, online shopping and working from home have made our lives more convenient and flexible. We can now shop from the comfort of our own homes and work from anywhere with an internet connection. This has saved us time and effort that would have otherwise been spent commuting. In addition, the use of technology has made it easier to connect with people from all over the world, regardless of distance. This has created a more global community and has opened up new opportunities for communication and collaboration.

However, this development has also had negative consequences. The lack of face-to-face contact has led to a decrease in social interaction and a decline in emotional intelligence. People are less likely to engage in meaningful conversations and are less likely to develop meaningful relationships. This can result in feelings of isolation and loneliness, which can have a negative impact on mental health.

In addition, the use of technology has resulted in a decrease in personal privacy. With the vast amount of personal information that is shared online, there is a higher risk of identity theft and cybercrime. The internet has also created an environment where people can be anonymous, leading to a rise in online bullying and harassment.

In conclusion, while the use of technology and the internet has brought about many benefits, it has also led to some negative consequences. To maximize the benefits of this development, it is important to use technology in a responsible manner, to prioritize face-to-face interaction, and to protect our personal privacy.

## Employers should give their staff at least a 4-week holiday a year to make employees better at their jobs. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	July
Test Date	25/7/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The idea that employers should provide their staff with a minimum of four weeks' holiday each year in order to improve their job performance is a highly debated issue. On the one hand, taking time off can be beneficial for employees in terms of mental and physical well-being, which in turn can enhance their job performance. On the other hand, extended periods of time away from work can lead to decreased productivity and potentially harm a company's bottom line.

One of the main benefits of providing employees with extended holidays is that it can help to improve their mental and physical health. Taking time off work can help employees to recharge and reduce stress levels, which can have a positive impact on their overall well-being. Additionally, time away from work can provide employees with opportunities to engage in leisure activities and pursue their personal interests, which can boost their creativity and overall job satisfaction.

Another benefit of providing employees with extended holidays is that it can help to foster a more positive work-life balance. With longer periods of time off, employees can take care of personal and family matters, which can reduce stress levels and improve their overall quality of life. Additionally, having a more balanced work-life schedule can lead to increased job satisfaction, which in turn can lead to better job performance.

However, there are also concerns that extended holidays can lead to decreased productivity. Employees who are away from work for extended periods of time may struggle to get back into the swing of things when they return, which can lead to decreased efficiency and reduced performance. Additionally, companies may struggle to fill the gap left by employees who are away, which can impact productivity and potentially harm the company's bottom line.

In conclusion, while providing employees with extended holidays can have numerous benefits in terms of mental and physical well-being, there are also concerns about the potential impact on productivity. Ultimately, the decision of whether or not to provide employees with extended holidays should be based on a company's individual circumstances, and should take into consideration factors such as employee workload and company finances.

## Today news plays an important role in people's lives and news media are more influential than ever before. Why is it this case? Is it positive or negative?

Question Type	Two-Part
Month	July
Test Date	29/7/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The news has a profound impact on our daily lives and the media outlets that produce it have a greater level of influence than ever before. This is due to a number of factors, some of which are positive while others are negative.

One of the reasons why news has such a significant impact on our lives is that it is now easier than ever to access. With the rise of the internet and mobile technology, we can get breaking news updates at any time, from anywhere in the world. This has created a culture of instant gratification, where people expect to be informed about current events in real-time. Furthermore, social media platforms have given us the ability to share news and information with others, further increasing its reach and impact.

Another reason for the increasing influence of news media is the increasing consolidation of media companies. A few large companies now control a significant portion of the media landscape, giving them a great deal of power to shape public opinion. This has led to a homogenization of news, where a narrow range of perspectives and opinions are given prominence. This can lead to a lack of diversity in news coverage, which can be harmful to democracy and freedom of speech.

On the positive side, the increased reach and influence of news media has also allowed for greater public awareness and engagement in important issues. This can lead to increased activism and political engagement, which can have a positive impact on society. Furthermore, the rise of citizen journalism has given a voice to marginalized communities, who may not have otherwise been heard.

On the negative side, the increasing influence of news media has also created a culture of sensationalism and fear-mongering. This has led to a decline in the quality of journalism and a focus on clickbait headlines over serious news reporting. This can result in a distorted view of reality, where people are more likely to be misinformed than informed.

In conclusion, while the increased influence of news media has brought about both positive and negative consequences, it is important to remain vigilant and critical of the information we consume. We need to hold media outlets accountable for the quality of their reporting and to seek out diverse perspectives that challenge our assumptions. By doing so, we can ensure that news continues to play an important role in our lives, in a positive and informative manner.

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# There are several factors that motivate people to stay in the workforce, and money is the most important reason/factor. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	August
Test Date	5/8/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The belief that money is the most important factor that motivates people to stay in the workforce is a complex issue that has been widely debated. While it is true that money plays a significant role in motivating people to work, there are other factors that can be just as important, if not more so, in determining job satisfaction and retention.

One of the most significant factors that motivates people to stay in the workforce is the opportunity for career advancement and personal growth. People who feel that they have the opportunity to grow and develop in their careers are often more motivated and engaged in their work, and are less likely to leave for another job. In addition, the opportunity to take on new challenges and responsibilities can also be a major motivator for many people, as it allows them to stretch their abilities and gain a sense of accomplishment.

Another factor that motivates people to stay in the workforce is a positive work environment. People who work in a supportive and respectful environment, where they feel valued and appreciated, are more likely to be motivated and engaged in their work. Additionally, a positive work culture can also lead to increased job satisfaction and a stronger sense of loyalty to the company.

While money is certainly an important factor in motivating people to work, it is not the only factor. For many people, the opportunity to make a difference and have a positive impact on their community can also be a major motivator. Additionally, people may be motivated to work for non-financial reasons, such as the sense of purpose and fulfillment that comes from doing work that is meaningful and important.

In conclusion, while money is an important factor in motivating people to stay in the workforce, it is not the only factor. Employers who understand the various factors that motivate their employees are better able to create a workplace culture that supports employee engagement and motivation.

Some scientists think that there are intelligent life forms on other planets and messages should be sent to contact them. Other scientists think it is a bad idea and would be dangerous. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	August
Test Date	6/8/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Imagine discovering intelligent life forms in outer space. It would undoubtedly be one of the most significant discoveries ever made in the history of mankind. Yet, for all the wonderment and excitement, there would also be the potential for great danger.

On the one hand, it stands to reason that if there are other intelligent species out there, it is only natural and fair that we try to communicate with them. We have for so long been curious about our place in the universe. We want to know who we are, where we came from and if there are any other intelligent life forms out there. We have also wondered about the many other worlds that have been found in recent years, especially as we have become aware of the fact that the universe is very big.

On the other hand, there are a few drawbacks and dangers in trying to communicate with alien life forms. We know nothing of their mental, emotional or ethical makeup. The chance that we could be communicating with a species that is hostile to our principles, values and wellbeing is great. To assume that they are like us in all ways would be presumptuous and naive. There is also no guarantee that they will welcome us in the same way we would be open to welcoming them.

In my view, while there are a few dangers involved in communicating with alien species, we should not be deterred from doing so. We should take all appropriate precautions, but the potential benefits of such communication outweigh these dangers. In the end, it is important that we have faith that, while we may be different from other life forms in the universe, these differences will not prevent us from finding common ground and communicating with each other.

## Technology has changed the way children spend their free time. Do the advantages outweigh the disadvantages?

Question Type	Advantages & Disadvantages
Month	August
Test Date	7/8/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The advances in technology have greatly impacted the way children spend their leisure time. While there are many advantages to these changes, there are also significant disadvantages that must be considered. In this essay, I will examine both the advantages and disadvantages and determine whether the benefits of technology outweigh the drawbacks.

On the one hand, technology has opened up a world of possibilities for children when it comes to leisure time. Children now have access to a vast array of digital games, educational programs, and other forms of entertainment that can be enjoyed in the comfort of their own homes. These digital technologies also allow children to connect with others from around the world, allowing them to expand their social circles and make new friends. Additionally, technology can provide educational opportunities that were previously unavailable, such as online courses and interactive educational programs.

On the other hand, there are several disadvantages to the increased use of technology in children's leisure time. For example, children who spend too much time in front of screens can suffer from a lack of physical activity and increased sedentary behavior, which can have negative impacts on their physical health. Furthermore, the use of technology can also have negative effects on children's mental health, such as increasing feelings of isolation and reducing their ability to interact with others face-to-face. Additionally, excessive use of technology can lead to a decrease in critical thinking skills and creativity, as children rely more and more on screens for entertainment and information.

In my opinion, the advantages of technology do not outweigh the disadvantages. While technology has the potential to provide children with new opportunities for learning and entertainment, it is important to ensure that children are using technology in a responsible and balanced way. Parents and educators must take steps to encourage children to engage in physical activity, and to foster their creativity and critical thinking skills. This can be done through a combination of limiting screen time, providing opportunities for hands-on learning and play, and encouraging children to engage in face-to-face social interactions.

In conclusion, technology has changed the way children spend their free time, but the advantages and disadvantages must be carefully considered. While technology has the potential to provide new opportunities for children, it is important to ensure that it is used in a balanced and responsible way.

In recent years, tourists have paid attention to preserving both the culture and environment of the places they visit. However, some people think that it is impossible to be a responsible tourist. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this opinion?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	August
Test Date	9/8/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In recent years, there has been a growing awareness among tourists about the importance of preserving both the culture and environment of the places they visit. Despite this trend, some people believe that it is impossible for a tourist to be a responsible tourist. In this essay, I will examine both sides of this argument and provide my own opinion on the matter.

On the one hand, there are certainly challenges to being a responsible tourist. For example, many popular tourist destinations are struggling to cope with the impact of increased tourism on their local environments and cultures. Mass tourism can lead to overcrowding, pollution, and degradation of local landmarks and cultural heritage sites. Additionally, many tourists may not have a good understanding of the local customs and cultural norms, which can lead to unintentional cultural insensitivity.

On the other hand, I strongly disagree with the idea that it is impossible to be a responsible tourist. By taking some simple steps, tourists can have a positive impact on the places they visit. For example, tourists can choose to stay in eco-friendly accommodations and travel by public transportation. They can also choose to support local businesses and buy locally produced products. Additionally, tourists can educate themselves about the local culture and customs and show respect for the local people and their traditions.

In my opinion, being a responsible tourist is not only possible, but it is also essential. As travelers, we have a responsibility to respect and preserve the places we visit, both for the sake of their inhabitants and for future generations. By making a conscious effort to be mindful of our actions and to minimize our impact on the environment and local culture, we can help to ensure that these destinations remain vibrant and preserved for years to come.

In conclusion, while there are certainly challenges to being a responsible tourist, it is possible to be a positive influence on the places we visit. Ultimately, the responsibility to be a responsible tourist falls on each individual traveler, and by making a conscious effort to be mindful of our actions, we can help to ensure that our travels have a positive impact on the world.

Many people believe that good planning is the key factor to success in life, while others believe that other factors like hard work or luck are important. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	August
Test Date	12/8/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Good planning is often considered as the most critical factor for success in life by many people. However, there are others who argue that other elements like hard work or luck also play a significant role. In this essay, I will examine both perspectives and provide my own opinion on the matter.

On one hand, the importance of good planning in achieving success cannot be overstated. A well-structured plan not only helps individuals set clear goals and objectives, but it also ensures that they are able to make the most of their time and resources. By breaking down larger tasks into smaller, manageable steps, individuals are able to stay focused, avoid procrastination, and increase their chances of success. Additionally, a comprehensive plan provides individuals with a roadmap that they can follow, which helps to minimize the risk of failure and increases the likelihood of success.

On the other hand, hard work and luck are also considered essential elements for success by many people. It is true that without hard work and determination, it can be difficult to achieve one's goals. For example, an individual with a well-constructed plan but who lacks the motivation and drive to see it through is unlikely to be successful. Similarly, luck can also play a major role in determining an individual's success. For instance, a person with a great plan may not succeed if they are unlucky enough to encounter unexpected challenges along the way.

In my opinion, all three factors - good planning, hard work, and luck - are equally important for success. Good planning lays the foundation for success by providing individuals with a clear direction and a roadmap to follow. Hard work and determination, on the other hand, ensure that individuals have the drive and motivation to see their plan through. Finally, luck can either be a hindrance or a help, but it is essential to be prepared to capitalize on it when it arises.

In conclusion, the key to success is a combination of good planning, hard work, and luck. No one factor can guarantee success, but when used in conjunction with each other, they can increase the chances of success significantly.

## Research indicates that some consumers nowadays are less influenced by advertising than in the past. What are the reasons for this? Do you think this is a positive or negative development?

Question Type	Positive/Negative
Month	August
Test Date	13/8/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In recent years, there has been a growing trend of consumers becoming less influenced by advertising. This can be attributed to a variety of factors, and the impact of this phenomenon is a subject of much debate.

One reason for this shift is the increasing use of technology and the internet. With the availability of information at their fingertips, consumers are better equipped to research products and make informed purchasing decisions, without relying on advertising. Additionally, the prevalence of ad-blockers and the rise of social media platforms, where users can read recommendations from friends and peers, has reduced the impact of traditional advertising methods.

Another factor contributing to the decline in the influence of advertising is the increasing skepticism and mistrust of consumers towards advertisers and the messages they convey. In a world where "fake news" and misinformation are becoming more prevalent, consumers are becoming increasingly wary of the information they are being presented with. This, in turn, has made them less susceptible to the persuasive techniques used in advertising.

In my opinion, this shift away from the influence of advertising is a positive development. Consumers are becoming more discerning and are making purchasing decisions based on their own needs and preferences, rather than simply being swayed by clever advertising campaigns. This has encouraged companies to focus on delivering high-quality products and providing excellent customer service, rather than relying solely on advertising to sell their products.

However, it is important to note that advertising still plays a crucial role in raising awareness about products and services and can be an effective tool in building brand loyalty. The key is to find a balance between providing consumers with relevant information and not overwhelming them with excessive advertising.

In conclusion, the declining influence of advertising is a complex issue with a variety of contributing factors. While it may be seen as a positive development for consumers, it is essential to find a balance that takes into account the role of advertising in providing information and building brand loyalty.

## Full-time university students spend a lot of time studying. Some say they should do other activities too. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	August
Test Date	14/8/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In my view, full-time students at university should spend a majority of their time studying – it is essential for them to focus on their academic work. At the same time, however, it is a very good idea for them to be involved in other activities. In the following essay I will explain why this is the case.

Firstly, full-time students at university must spend most of their time studying. After all, this is the primary reason they are there. For many, the idea of attending university is to receive a degree from a respected institution after four years – or longer – of study. This is a substantial amount of time and a huge financial investment, both by the students and by their families. Students should devote their time to studying and gaining the best education possible; otherwise, all that effort is wasted.

At the same time, students should not neglect other activities. These could include hobbies, leisure, and, most importantly, social activities. University life is not just about classes. It is also about making friends, becoming independent and discovering one's place in the world. By being active in other areas, students can develop all these abilities and qualities considerably. Even having a part-time job can be beneficial to a student's mental development and career prospects.

In conclusion, full-time students at university should spend most of their time studying, but they should also get involved in other activities. These will enable them to enjoy a full university life and they will also benefit them in their future lives, both academically and socially.

Some people think that museums should be enjoyable places to entertain young people, while others believe that the purpose of museums is to educate. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	August
Test Date	16/8/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The role of museums in society has been a topic of debate for many years. Some believe that museums should be designed as enjoyable and entertaining places to attract young people, while others argue that the primary purpose of museums is to educate. In this essay, I will examine both views and provide my own opinion.

On the one hand, proponents of museums as entertainment venues argue that they are essential in attracting young people to the world of culture and art. By making museums fun and interactive, they can engage and inspire young people to learn more about history and the arts. This can help to foster a love for the arts and create a more culturally literate society. Furthermore, by providing interactive exhibits, museums can make learning about history and art more accessible to a wider audience.

On the other hand, those who believe in the educational role of museums argue that their primary purpose should be to impart knowledge and understanding to visitors. They believe that museums should be a place of learning and reflection, where people can deepen their knowledge and understanding of history, art and culture. They argue that museums should not be merely entertainment venues, but rather institutions that help people to develop a more informed perspective on the world.

In my opinion, both views have merit, and the purpose of museums should be to balance entertainment and education. Museums can provide an enjoyable and entertaining experience while also imparting knowledge and understanding. By providing interactive exhibits that engage visitors, museums can make learning about history and art more accessible and appealing to a wider audience. At the same time, they can also offer more traditional educational opportunities, such as lectures and workshops, to those who are interested in deepening their understanding.

In conclusion, museums play a crucial role in society as both entertainment venues and educational institutions. While both views have their merits, a balance between the two is the best approach. By providing a mix of interactive exhibits and educational opportunities, museums can appeal to a wider audience and continue to play an important role in shaping our understanding of the world.

## In many parts of the world children and teenagers are committing more crimes. Why is this happening? How should children or teenagers be punished?

Question Type	Two-Part
Month	August
Test Date	18/8/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Children and teens around the world are committing crimes with ever-increasing regularity. There are a number of reasons for this situation and several ways to deal with it.

The most obvious reason for the rise in crime among youth is that young people are increasingly exposed to crime from many sources: the internet, movies, television and games. Children are especially vulnerable because they often lack the skills to understand the difference between reality and fantasy. To complicate matters, many children and teens are being brought up in underprivileged neighbourhoods in which crime is seen as a normal way of life.

There are a few ways to deal with this problem. The most effective would be a comprehensive education program to teach children about the dangers of crime – at home, at school and on the streets. Young people could be taught the devastating effects of their actions on themselves and others. Education can also provide an alternative to crime, empowering children with useful tools to improve their own lives. Another solution is to use the law to crack down on crime. More police patrols in high-crime neighbourhoods, for example, could be effective. Most importantly, however, the legal system must be strict and unyielding when punishing juveniles. For example, the death penalty could be appropriate in some cases. Children who commit crimes must understand the full implications of their actions.

In summary, crime is a serious problem among the world's children and teenagers. The reasons for this problem are complex, but the main factors are an absence of education and a lack of law and order. The only way to address this issue is to implement education and discipline at all levels of society.

## Nowadays most people choose to throw away broken things instead of repairing them, and replace them with new ones. Why is this happening? What problems may it lead to?

Question Type	Two-Part
Month	August
Test Date	20/8/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In recent years, there has been a growing trend of individuals choosing to replace broken items with new ones rather than repairing them. This phenomenon is driven by a variety of factors and can lead to several problems.

One of the primary reasons for this trend is the convenience and accessibility of purchasing new items. With the advent of e-commerce and online shopping, it is easier than ever for individuals to purchase new items without leaving their homes. Additionally, the price of new items, especially electronics, has become more affordable, making it an attractive option for consumers.

Another factor contributing to this trend is the perception that repairing an item is time-consuming and complicated. With the rapid pace of technological advancements, many individuals believe that it is easier and more cost-effective to simply replace a broken item with a newer and more advanced one.

However, this trend can lead to several problems. Firstly, it contributes to the increasing amount of waste and pollution, as discarded items end up in landfills. This can have a significant impact on the environment and deplete natural resources. Secondly, it can lead to a loss of skills and knowledge, as individuals are less likely to learn how to repair items, and this traditional form of craftsmanship may be lost.

In my opinion, there is a need for a more sustainable approach to the way we use and dispose of our possessions. Governments should introduce policies that encourage the repair and reuse of items, and individuals should be encouraged to adopt a more mindful and sustainable approach to their consumption patterns. Repair workshops and community-based initiatives that teach individuals how to repair items should also be promoted.

In conclusion, the trend of replacing broken items with new ones rather than repairing them is driven by convenience and accessibility, but it can lead to several problems. There is a need for a more sustainable and mindful approach to our consumption patterns, which can be achieved through government policies and community-based initiatives.

## As transport and accommodation problems are increasing in many cities, governments are encouraging businesses to move to rural areas. Do you think the advantages outweigh the disadvantages?

Question Type	Advantages & Disadvantages
Month	August
Test Date	27/8/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In recent years, many governments have been encouraging businesses to move from cities to rural areas in an effort to alleviate transport and accommodation problems. This strategy is intended to provide economic benefits for rural communities, but it also comes with several disadvantages.

One of the primary advantages of businesses moving to rural areas is the reduction of congestion in cities. This can lead to an improvement in air quality, a reduction in traffic, and an improvement in the quality of life for city dwellers. Additionally, businesses that move to rural areas can provide new job opportunities and stimulate economic growth in those areas.

However, there are also several disadvantages to this strategy. One of the primary challenges is the lack of infrastructure and facilities in rural areas, which can make it difficult for businesses to operate effectively. For example, businesses may struggle to attract and retain employees, as there may be limited housing and transportation options available. Additionally, rural areas may not have the same level of access to high-speed internet and other technological amenities that businesses require to function.

Another disadvantage is the potential negative impact on city centers. If businesses move out of cities, it can lead to a decline in the local economy, with a loss of jobs and reduced tax revenue. This can result in a reduction in the quality of public services, such as schools and hospitals, and can lead to the decline of city centers.

In my opinion, there are advantages and disadvantages to the government's strategy of encouraging businesses to move from cities to rural areas. The impact of this strategy will depend on the specific circumstances and context of each case. However, it is important for governments to ensure that the economic and social benefits of this strategy are shared equally between city and rural areas, and that the negative impacts are minimized.

In conclusion, while there are advantages to encouraging businesses to move from cities to rural areas, there are also several disadvantages that must be taken into account. Governments must ensure that the impact of this strategy is positive for both city and rural areas, and that it provides economic and social benefits for all communities.

## Many people think that interviews are not the best way to assess the suitability of a candidate for a position. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question TypeAgree/DisagreeMonthAugustTest Date28/8/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Interviewing is a common method used to assess the suitability of a candidate for a job. However, many people believe that interviews are not the best way to evaluate a candidate's qualifications and abilities. While there are some valid concerns about the limitations of interviews, I believe that they can still be an effective tool in the hiring process, when used appropriately.

One of the main criticisms of interviews is that they are often subjective, and can be influenced by factors such as the interviewer's personal biases and prejudices. Additionally, many interviewees may not perform well in high-pressure situations, or may be intimidated by the interview process, which can lead to a false impression of their abilities.

Another concern is that interviews may not provide a comprehensive assessment of a candidate's skills and experience. For example, a candidate may be able to perform well in an interview, but may not be able to demonstrate their abilities in practice. Furthermore, interviews often focus on a limited range of skills and experiences, and may not provide a full picture of a candidate's suitability for a job.

However, despite these concerns, I believe that interviews can still play an important role in the hiring process. For example, interviews can provide an opportunity for the interviewer to get a sense of the candidate's personality, communication skills, and work ethic, which are all important factors in determining suitability for a job. Additionally, interviews can provide a platform for the candidate to ask questions about the role and the organization, and to demonstrate their enthusiasm and motivation for the job.

In conclusion, while there are valid concerns about the limitations of interviews, I believe that they can still be an effective tool in the hiring process. However, it is important to recognize that interviews should be used in conjunction with other methods, such as reference checks, skills assessments, and job simulations, to provide a more comprehensive picture of a candidate's qualifications and abilities. Many people think that women should be given the same roles to male in the military and police forces. Many people think that women are not suitable for this job. Discuss both views and give opinions.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	August
Test Date	29/8/2022

## Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The debate over whether women should be given the same roles as men in military and police forces has been a contentious issue for many years. Some people believe that women should be given equal opportunities to serve in these roles, while others argue that women are not physically or mentally equipped for this type of work.

On the one hand, supporters of equal opportunities for women argue that women should be given the same rights as men, including the right to serve in the military or police force. They believe that women have the same physical and mental capabilities as men, and that women should be given the opportunity to demonstrate their abilities in these roles. Additionally, they argue that women's perspectives and experiences can be valuable assets in these professions, and that having a more diverse workforce will improve the overall effectiveness of military and police forces.

On the other hand, opponents argue that women are not suited for these types of jobs due to physical limitations and a lack of mental toughness. They believe that military and police work can be extremely physically demanding, and that women are not equipped to handle the physical demands of these jobs. Additionally, they argue that women may not have the mental toughness and emotional stability required to handle the high-pressure and high-stakes situations that are often encountered in these professions.

In my opinion, women should be given equal opportunities to serve in the military and police forces. While it is true that some women may not be physically or mentally equipped for this type of work, it is also true that many women are capable and capable of performing these jobs at the same level as men. Furthermore, having a more diverse workforce in these professions will bring different perspectives, experiences, and skills to the table, which will improve the overall effectiveness of military and police forces.

In conclusion, the debate over whether women should be given the same roles as men in military and police forces is a complex issue with valid arguments on both sides. However, I believe that women should be given equal opportunities to serve in these roles, and that a more diverse workforce will bring benefits to both the individuals and the organizations.

September 2022 Giving detailed descriptions of crimes in newspapers and on TV can have negative consequences, so this kind of information should be restricted in the media. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	September
Test Date	3/9/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

It is widely believed that media should not report details of serious crimes. The idea behind restricting this information is that it may have a negative impact on the society by encouraging crime, creating fear, degrading the image of societies and by making them more vengeful.

On the one hand, it could be argued that media publicity of crimes and criminals could have a negative effect on the society. For example, reporting details about serious crimes and criminals could cause fear and anxiety among people and make them more vengeful. In many instances, people begin to feel that the world is becoming more dangerous and they feel insecure. While the news about crimes and violence is useful in alerting the society, but showing too much of it can be damaging.

On the other hand, it could be argued that exposing crime and criminals to the public is an effective way to fight them and establish a safe and peaceful society. For example, news about crime and criminals helps authorities to identify, catch and punish criminals. It also allows the people to remain vigilant and take preventive measures to avoid crime. In addition, it helps people to identify criminals and protect themselves from them.

In conclusion, while I agree that media exposure of crime and criminals has a negative impact on the society, I maintain that this impact is less damaging than the alternative of hiding crime and criminals from the public. In other words, this negative impact is less than the benefits of exposing crime and criminals.

More and more people these days work harder and longer hours and have no time for family life and friends. What are the causes in your opinion for this? How is it affecting family life and society as a whole?

Question Type	Two-Part
Month	September
Test Date	6/9/2022

#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In recent years, there has been a growing trend of individuals working longer and harder hours, resulting in a decline in their personal and social life. There are several factors that have contributed to this phenomenon, and its impact on family life and society as a whole is significant.

One of the primary causes of this trend is the rapidly changing economic landscape. With globalization and technological advancements, the job market has become increasingly competitive, leading to a greater emphasis on work performance and productivity. Individuals are working longer hours to stay ahead of the competition and to maintain their livelihoods.

Additionally, the rise of the gig economy, where individuals are working multiple jobs to make ends meet, has also contributed to this trend. The flexibility and convenience of gig work has made it increasingly popular, but it has also led to individuals working longer hours and having less time for personal and social life.

The impact of this trend is far-reaching and affects not only individuals but also their families and society as a whole. The lack of time for personal and social life can lead to stress, burnout, and other mental health issues. It also puts a strain on relationships and family life, leading to a decline in social cohesion and a reduction in the quality of life for all those involved.

In my opinion, there is a need for a more balanced approach to work and personal life. Employers should be encouraged to provide their employees with flexible working arrangements and to prioritize work-life balance. Governments should also introduce policies that promote a healthy balance between work and personal life, such as providing paid time off for employees to spend with their families.

In conclusion, the trend of working longer and harder hours is a complex issue with a variety of causes. Its impact on family life and society as a whole is significant and demands a more balanced approach to work and personal life. Employers, governments, and individuals all have a role to play in ensuring that work does not consume one's entire life, leaving no time for personal and social life.

# Some people believe that technology causes more problems for modern society than it solves. Do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disag
Month	September
Test Date	10/9/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

gree

Technology has become an integral part of modern society and has had a profound impact on every aspect of our lives. Some people believe that technology causes more problems for society than it solves, while others believe that it has brought about many benefits and improvements. In my opinion, the advantages of technology far outweigh the disadvantages.

On one hand, technology has brought about numerous problems for modern society. The most significant issue is the impact that technology has had on employment, with many people losing their jobs due to automation and the rise of Al. Furthermore, technology has led to the development of new forms of crime, such as cybercrime, which is a growing concern for individuals and organizations alike. Additionally, technology has also created a divide between generations, with older generations struggling to keep up with the rapid pace of technological change.

On the other hand, I believe the advantages of technology are more significant. Firstly, technology has made many aspects of our lives easier and more convenient. For example, the widespread use of smartphones and other devices has made communication easier and faster, and has made it possible for people to access information and services from anywhere at any time. Secondly, technology has also improved healthcare, with new treatments and procedures becoming available that were once impossible. Thirdly, technology has also helped to drive economic growth and create new industries and jobs, leading to increased prosperity for many individuals and communities.

In conclusion, while technology has brought about some problems for modern society, the advantages far outweigh the disadvantages. The benefits of technology have touched every aspect of our lives, making it easier, more convenient, and more prosperous. While it is important to be aware of the potential downsides of technology, we should also celebrate and embrace the many positive impacts that it has had on our society.

# Nowadays people use bicycles less as a form of transport. Why is that? What can we do to encourage people to use bicycles more?

Question Type	Two-Part
Month	September
Test Date	11/9/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In recent times, the use of bicycles as a form of transportation has decreased significantly. There are several reasons for this trend, including the convenience and comfort of other forms of transportation, a lack of infrastructure, and safety concerns. Despite these challenges, there are several actions that can be taken to encourage people to use bicycles more.

One of the primary reasons for the decrease in the use of bicycles is the convenience and comfort of other forms of transportation. Cars, buses, and trains provide a more comfortable and convenient mode of transportation, particularly in inclement weather conditions or over long distances. Furthermore, with the rise of ride-sharing services, people have become less reliant on owning their own vehicles, and instead prefer to use services such as Uber or Lyft. Another factor contributing to the decrease in the use of bicycles is a lack of infrastructure. Many cities are not equipped with adequate bike lanes, making it dangerous and difficult for cyclists to share the road with other vehicles. Furthermore, many cities lack secure bike parking, which discourages people from using their bikes as a form of transportation. Finally, safety concerns are a significant factor in the decrease of bicycle use. Many people are intimidated by the idea of cycling on busy roads, and are concerned about accidents and injuries.

To encourage people to use bicycles more, several actions can be taken. Firstly, cities must invest in the development of infrastructure such as bike lanes and secure bike parking. This will help to make cycling safer and more accessible for everyone. Secondly, education and awareness campaigns should be conducted to promote the benefits of cycling, such as improved health, reduced carbon emissions, and cost savings. Thirdly, incentives such as subsidies for purchasing bikes, tax breaks for employers who encourage employees to cycle, and discounts on public transportation for cyclists can be implemented to encourage people to use bikes more.

In conclusion, while the decrease in the use of bicycles as a form of transportation is a result of several factors, there are several actions that can be taken to encourage people to use bicycles more. Investing in infrastructure, conducting education and awareness campaigns, and implementing incentives can help to create a more bicycle-friendly environment, which will benefit not only individuals but also the environment and society as a whole.

## Government should fund scientific research rather than commercial organizations. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the statement?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	September
Test Date	15/9/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The funding of scientific research is a highly debated topic, with some people suggesting that the government should be responsible for funding while others believe that commercial organizations should be the primary source of funding. Both perspectives have their own advantages and disadvantages, and it is essential to weigh them before making a decision.

On one hand, government funding of scientific research has several advantages. Firstly, it ensures that the research conducted is for the public good and not solely driven by profit motives. Secondly, it ensures that the research is conducted with impartiality, free from the influence of commercial organizations. Thirdly, it ensures that the research is conducted in an ethical manner, with the welfare of human subjects and the environment given adequate consideration. Furthermore, government funding of scientific research also provides stability and continuity, as funding is guaranteed for a set period and can be renewed on a regular basis.

On the other hand, commercial organizations funding scientific research also has its advantages. Firstly, commercial organizations can provide the necessary financial resources to undertake large-scale and expensive research projects. Secondly, commercial organizations can provide the necessary expertise and resources to help ensure that the research is conducted efficiently and effectively. Thirdly, commercial organizations can also provide opportunities for commercialization and the development of new products and services, which can drive economic growth and create jobs.

In conclusion, while there are advantages and disadvantages to both government and commercial organizations funding scientific research, I believe that the government should be the primary source of funding.

## In some countries, people are having children at a later age in life. What are the reasons? Do the advantages outweigh the disadvantages?

Question Type	Advantages & Disadvantages
Month	September
Test Date	16/9/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

In recent years, the trend of having children at a later age has become increasingly prevalent in several countries. This essay will examine the reasons behind this phenomenon and evaluate its sets of advantages and disadvantages.

One of the primary reasons for people having children at a later age is the increased focus on careers. With the changing times, people are more focused on achieving success in their careers and establishing themselves financially before starting a family. The desire to be successful and to have a stable income before having children is also a major contributing factor. Moreover, with the current economic climate, people want to ensure they have the financial resources to provide their children with the best possible upbringing.

In addition to career and financial considerations, many people also want to spend time on personal development before starting a family. This can include pursuing hobbies and interests, traveling, and enjoying time with friends and loved ones. By waiting until later in life to have children, individuals can enjoy these experiences and develop their own sense of self and independence before taking on the responsibilities of parenthood.

Despite these advantages, there are also several disadvantages to having children later in life. One of the most significant is the decreased fertility levels that come with age, which can make it more difficult for couples to conceive. Furthermore, older mothers are also at a higher risk of complications during pregnancy, which can impact both the health of the mother and the baby.

In conclusion, while there are several reasons why people are having children at a later age, it is important to consider the advantages and disadvantages before making this decision. Ultimately, the decision of when to have children is a personal one and must be made based on individual circumstances and priorities.

# It is more important to spend public money on promoting a healthy lifestyle in order to prevent illness than to spend it on the treatment of people who are already ill. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	September
Test Date	17/9/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The question of whether it is more important to spend public money on promoting a healthy lifestyle to prevent illness or on treating those who are already ill is a complex issue with valid arguments on both sides.

On the one hand, there is no denying that promoting a healthy lifestyle can have significant benefits for public health. By investing in initiatives such as health education programs, recreational facilities, and healthy food options, individuals can be encouraged to adopt habits that reduce the risk of chronic diseases and improve overall well-being. This, in turn, can help to prevent the need for expensive medical treatment down the line and reduce the strain on the healthcare system.

On the other hand, it is also important to consider the needs of those who are already ill. Withholding treatment from those who need it could be seen as a moral failing, and could lead to further deterioration of their health and a lower quality of life. Furthermore, the cost of treating illness can quickly become prohibitive, especially for those who do not have access to private healthcare.

In my view, the best approach is a balanced one that takes into account both prevention and treatment. While it is important to invest in promoting a healthy lifestyle to prevent illness, this should not come at the expense of those who are already in need of medical care. By taking a comprehensive approach that considers both prevention and treatment, public health can be improved for everyone.

In conclusion, while it is tempting to prioritize one approach over the other, the best solution is to strike a balance between promoting a healthy lifestyle and providing treatment for those who are already ill. By doing so, public health can be improved in a comprehensive and sustainable manner.

## Some people say we do not need printed paper newspapers anymore. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this opinion?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	September
Test Date	24/9/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The statement that we no longer need printed paper newspapers has been a topic of debate for some time. There are those who argue that the rise of digital media has made printed newspapers redundant, while others believe that they still play an important role in our lives.

On the one hand, it is true that digital media has revolutionized the way we consume news and information. The widespread availability of the internet and mobile devices has made it easier than ever to access news and information from anywhere in the world at any time. This has certainly made the traditional printed newspaper less necessary for many people. In addition, digital media has allowed news organizations to provide more in-depth coverage of events, including multimedia content such as videos and photos, which are not easily accessible through print media.

However, there are also arguments in favor of printed paper newspapers that cannot be ignored. For one, many people still prefer to read a physical newspaper, especially for longer articles or investigative pieces. Holding a physical newspaper in one's hands also provides a sense of ritual and tradition that cannot be replicated by digital media. Furthermore, printed newspapers have been shown to be more trusted sources of information than online sources, particularly in times of crisis or misinformation.

In my opinion, the answer is not black and white. Printed paper newspapers still have a role to play, but their role is likely to be diminished as digital media continues to evolve and grow. The most important thing is to ensure that people have access to accurate, trustworthy, and diverse sources of information, regardless of the format.

In conclusion, while digital media has certainly made printed paper newspapers less necessary for some people, it is important to recognize that there are still many people who value them and that they still play an important role in our lives. The future of news and information will likely be a mix of digital and print media, and it is up to each individual to decide which format they prefer.

# Some people think that the best way to become successful in life is to get a university education, whereas others say this is no longer true. Discuss both these views and give your own opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
Month	September
Test Date	29/9/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The debate over whether a university education is necessary for success in life is a long-standing one, with valid arguments on both sides. Those who argue in favor of university education argue that it provides students with the skills, knowledge, and opportunities they need to succeed in their careers and achieve their goals. They argue that a university education provides students with access to a world of knowledge, as well as the skills they need to think critically, solve problems, and communicate effectively.

On the other hand, those who argue against university education argue that it is no longer the only path to success, and that there are other ways to achieve success, such as through work experience, self-education, and entrepreneurship. They argue that many of today's most successful entrepreneurs and business leaders, such as Bill Gates and Steve Jobs, never completed university.

In my opinion, both views have some validity, but I believe that a university education can still be the best path to success for many people. A university education provides students with a broad range of knowledge and skills that are valuable in a wide range of careers, and it also provides students with access to a vast network of contacts and opportunities. However, I also acknowledge that there are other ways to achieve success, and that a university education is not the right path for everyone.

Ultimately, the key to success is finding what works best for you, whether that means pursuing a university education or exploring alternative paths. The most important thing is to have a clear goal, a strong work ethic, and the determination to achieve your dreams, no matter what obstacles you may face along the way.

In conclusion, while there are valid arguments on both sides of the debate over whether a university education is necessary for success in life, I believe that it can still be the best path to success for many people. However, the key to success is finding what works best for you and having the determination to achieve your goals.

Studies show that many criminals have a low level of education. For this reason, people believe that the best way to reduce crime is to educate people in prison so they can get a job when leaving prison. Do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	September
Test Date	30/9/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The relationship between education and crime is a complex issue that has been widely debated. While it is true that many criminals have a low level of education, it is also important to consider the broader social and economic factors that contribute to criminal behavior.

Education is undoubtedly a key factor in reducing crime, as it provides people with the skills and knowledge they need to find employment and lead productive lives. This is especially true for people who have been incarcerated, as education can provide them with the tools they need to successfully reintegrate into society and avoid a return to criminal behavior.

However, it is important to recognize that education alone is not a cure-all for crime. There are a multitude of social and economic factors that contribute to criminal behavior, including poverty, substance abuse, mental health issues, and a lack of job opportunities. Addressing these underlying issues is critical to reducing crime and ensuring that people who are released from prison are able to lead successful and productive lives.

Additionally, it is important to ensure that people who are incarcerated have access to quality educational programs that are tailored to their specific needs. This includes providing them with the support and resources they need to succeed, such as access to technology, books, and trained teachers. It is also important to ensure that these programs are adequately funded and staffed, so that people who are incarcerated have the opportunity to receive a quality education.

In conclusion, while education can play an important role in reducing crime, it is not the only solution. It is important to address the underlying social and economic factors that contribute to criminal behavior, and to provide people who are incarcerated with quality educational programs that are tailored to their specific needs. Only by addressing these issues holistically can we hope to reduce crime and provide people with the tools they need to lead successful and productive lives.

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Advanced technology has brought many beneficial changes to the world. However, some old people today struggle with the use of technologies such as mobile phones and the Internet. How can the elderly benefit from using advanced technologies? How can the elderly be encouraged to use consumer electronics more often?

Question Type	Two-Part
Month	October
Test Date	4/10/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Advanced technology has brought about a revolutionary change in our lives and has made the world a better place to live in. However, some elderly people are struggling to keep up with the pace of this technological revolution and are finding it challenging to use consumer electronics such as mobile phones and the Internet. In this essay, I will discuss how the elderly can benefit from using advanced technologies and how they can be encouraged to use consumer electronics.

One of the most significant benefits of using advanced technologies for the elderly is the ability to stay connected with their loved ones. With the help of the Internet and mobile phones, they can communicate with their family and friends easily and regularly, regardless of their location. This is especially important for the elderly who are often lonely and isolated, and the ability to stay connected with their loved ones helps to improve their mental health and wellbeing.

Another benefit of using advanced technologies for the elderly is the ability to access a vast amount of information at their fingertips. The Internet provides a wealth of information on a variety of topics, and the elderly can use it to expand their knowledge, pursue their interests, and learn new skills. This can be particularly beneficial for elderly people who are retired and have more free time on their hands.

Encouraging the elderly to use consumer electronics more often can be achieved through several measures. Firstly, it is essential to provide them with proper training and support in using these technologies. This can be done through community centers, senior centers, or by arranging workshops and classes specifically for the elderly. Secondly, it is important to make these technologies user-friendly and accessible, so that the elderly can use them easily and comfortably. Finally, it is essential to create a supportive community where the elderly feel comfortable asking for help and support when needed.

In conclusion, the use of advanced technologies can bring numerous benefits to the elderly, such as staying connected with their loved ones, accessing a wealth of information, and improving their mental health and wellbeing. To encourage the elderly to use consumer electronics more often, it is important to provide proper training and support, make these technologies user-friendly and accessible, and create a supportive community.

# In some parts of the world traditional festivals and celebrations have disappeared or are disappearing. What problems is this causing? What measures could be taken to counter this situation?

Question Type	Problems & Solutions
Month	October
Test Date	10/10/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Traditional festivals and celebrations have been an integral part of the cultural heritage of many communities around the world for centuries. However, in some parts of the world, these festivals and celebrations are disappearing, leading to several problems. In this essay, I will discuss the problems caused by the disappearance of traditional festivals and celebrations and suggest some measures that could be taken to counter this situation.

One of the main problems caused by the disappearance of traditional festivals and celebrations is the loss of cultural identity. These festivals and celebrations are often associated with a particular community or region and serve as a symbol of the unique cultural heritage of that area. As these festivals and celebrations disappear, so does the cultural identity of the community. This can lead to a sense of cultural homogenization, where communities begin to lose their unique cultural characteristics, and cultural diversity is diminished. Another problem caused by the disappearance of traditional festivals and celebrations is the loss of social cohesion. These festivals and celebrations often bring communities together and provide opportunities for people to interact and build social relationships. The disappearance of these festivals and celebrations can lead to a decline in social cohesion, with people becoming more isolated and disconnected from each other.

To counter the situation, several measures could be taken. Firstly, it is important to recognize the cultural and historical significance of traditional festivals and celebrations and to take steps to preserve them. This can be done through government support, which could include funding for festivals and celebrations and the preservation of cultural heritage sites. Secondly, it is essential to educate the public about the importance of these festivals and celebrations and to encourage people to participate in them. Finally, it is important to involve the younger generation in the preservation and celebration of traditional festivals and celebrations, as they are the ones who will carry the traditions forward into the future.

In conclusion, the disappearance of traditional festivals and celebrations is causing several problems, including the loss of cultural identity and social cohesion. To counter this situation, it is important to recognize the cultural and historical significance of these festivals and celebrations, educate the public about their importance, and involve the younger generation in their preservation and celebration. By doing so, we can help to ensure that these festivals and celebrations remain an integral part of our cultural heritage for future generations.

# Today, many people use the internet and smartphones to transfer money to friends, family, and businesses. Is this a positive or negative development?

Question Type	Positive/Negative
Month	October
Test Date	18/10/2022

### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The widespread use of the internet and smartphones to transfer money has become a common phenomenon in today's society. While this development has brought about many benefits, it has also led to some negative consequences. In this essay, I will discuss the positive and negative aspects of this development and provide a balanced view of whether it is a positive or negative development overall.

On the positive side, the ability to transfer money quickly and easily using the internet and smartphones has brought about a revolution in the financial sector. It has made it possible for people to send money to friends, family, and businesses at any time and from any place. This has saved time, increased efficiency, and reduced the cost of financial transactions. In addition, it has also increased financial inclusion, as people who previously had limited access to traditional banking services can now transfer money using mobile financial services.

However, there are also some negative aspects to consider. One of the main concerns is the security of online financial transactions. With the rise of cybercrime and identity theft, there is a risk that people's personal and financial information could be stolen or misused. In addition, the convenience of online financial transactions has also led to an increase in financial scams and fraud, with many people losing money as a result.

To ensure that the use of the internet and smartphones for financial transactions remains a positive development, it is important to take steps to address the security concerns. This could include the implementation of stronger security measures, such as two-factor authentication, and increased public education about the risks associated with online financial transactions.

In conclusion, the ability to transfer money using the internet and smartphones has brought about many benefits, including increased efficiency, reduced cost, and increased financial inclusion. However, there are also some negative aspects to consider, including security concerns and the risk of financial scams and fraud. By taking steps to address these concerns, the use of the internet and smartphones for financial transactions can remain a positive development for society.

November 2022 Some argue that patriotism is the primary cause of wars globally. Others feel that it serves to prevent less ethical politicians from running a country and starting wars. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
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#### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

Patriotism has long been a topic of debate, with some arguing that it is the primary cause of wars globally, while others feel that it serves to prevent less ethical politicians from running a country and starting wars. In this essay, I will discuss both views and provide my opinion on the matter.

On one hand, those who believe that patriotism is the primary cause of wars argue that it can lead to a sense of national superiority and a desire to defend the interests of one's country, even at the expense of other nations. This can result in conflict, as different nations pursue their interests in competition with one another. In addition, patriotism can also lead to an emotional attachment to one's country, making it more difficult for individuals to recognize the negative aspects of their country's actions and to seek peace.

On the other hand, those who believe that patriotism serves to prevent less ethical politicians from running a country and starting wars argue that a strong sense of national pride can be a force for good. Patriotism can inspire individuals to become involved in their communities and to work towards the betterment of their country. In addition, a strong sense of patriotism can provide a check against the actions of unethical politicians, as individuals are more likely to question the actions of those in power if they feel a strong attachment to their country.

In my opinion, patriotism can be both a positive and a negative force in society. While it can lead to conflict, as nations compete for resources and defend their interests, it can also be a force for good, as it inspires individuals to work towards the betterment of their communities. The key is to strike a balance between national pride and a recognition of the value of other nations and cultures. By doing so, patriotism can serve as a positive force in society, promoting peace and stability.

In conclusion, the role of patriotism in society is a complex and controversial issue, with valid arguments on both sides. While it can lead to conflict, it can also serve as a force for good, promoting peace and stability. The key is to find a balance between national pride and a recognition of the value of other nations and cultures.

# Learning at university would be more effective if men and women were educated separately. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	November
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### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The idea of separating men and women in universities has been a topic of discussion for many years. While some argue that this would lead to a more effective learning environment, others feel that this is a divisive and unnecessary approach. In this essay, I will explore both sides of the argument and provide my opinion on the matter.

On one hand, proponents of separating men and women in universities argue that this would allow for a more focused and productive learning environment. By eliminating distractions and competition, they claim that students would be better able to concentrate on their studies and achieve higher levels of academic success. In addition, separate education for men and women would also reduce the potential for gender-based conflicts, such as harassment and discrimination, which can create a hostile learning environment.

On the other hand, opponents of separating men and women in universities argue that this would only serve to reinforce gender-based stereotypes and prejudices. By dividing students along gender lines, they claim that this would reduce opportunities for meaningful interactions between the genders, hindering their ability to understand and appreciate each other. In addition, separating men and women in universities would also send a negative message about the value of diversity and equality, as it would imply that individuals of different genders are not capable of learning and interacting effectively with one another.

In my opinion, I strongly disagree with the idea of separating men and women in universities. While it is true that distractions and competition can sometimes hinder learning, the solution is not to divide students along gender lines. Instead, universities should strive to create a positive and inclusive learning environment, where students are encouraged to interact and collaborate with one another, regardless of their gender.

In conclusion, the idea of separating men and women in universities is a controversial and divisive approach to education. In my opinion, universities should strive to create a positive and inclusive learning environment, where students are encouraged to interact and collaborate with one another, regardless of their gender.

# Doing an enjoyable activity with a child can be better for their overall skills development and creativity than reading. To what extent do you agree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
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### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The statement that doing an enjoyable activity with a child is better for their overall skills development and creativity than reading is a matter of ongoing debate. While some argue that hands-on activities provide a more dynamic and engaging learning experience, others feel that reading is essential for developing critical thinking and language skills. In this essay, I will examine both sides of the argument and provide my opinion on the matter.

On one hand, proponents of hands-on activities argue that they provide a more interactive and engaging experience for children. By participating in fun and enjoyable activities, children are more likely to stay focused and retain information, leading to better overall skills development. In addition, hands-on activities also allow children to express their creativity, which can help to foster innovation and problem-solving skills. For example, building a model or participating in a craft project can encourage children to think outside the box and use their imagination.

On the other hand, opponents of hands-on activities argue that reading is essential for developing critical thinking and language skills. By exposing children to a variety of texts, they can develop a more diverse vocabulary and learn to analyze and interpret information. In addition, reading can also broaden a child's perspective and introduce them to new ideas and concepts, leading to increased creativity and imagination. For example, reading a story or a novel can help to develop empathy and the ability to understand different perspectives, which is an important skill for overall development.

In my opinion, both hands-on activities and reading are essential for children's development and should be balanced in their lives. While hands-on activities can provide a fun and engaging learning experience, reading is critical for developing language and critical thinking skills. By combining both, children can have a wellrounded education that promotes creativity, imagination, and cognitive development.

In conclusion, the debate over whether hands-on activities or reading is better for children's overall skills development and creativity is ongoing. In my opinion, a balanced combination of both is the best approach for children's overall development.

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Some people believe that individuals can achieve more in egalitarian societies. Others believe that high levels of personal achievement are possible only if individuals are free to succeed or fail according to their individual merits. Discuss both sides and give your own opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
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### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The debate over whether individuals can achieve more in egalitarian societies or in societies where they are free to succeed or fail based on their individual merits is a complex and controversial issue.

On one hand, proponents of egalitarian societies argue that equality and fairness lead to a more productive and efficient society. In such societies, individuals are able to access equal opportunities and resources, which allows them to achieve more by working together. For example, in a society with free education, everyone has the opportunity to acquire the skills and knowledge necessary for success. Additionally, in a society with universal health care, individuals are able to stay healthy and productive, allowing them to achieve more over their lifetime.

On the other hand, those who support merit-based societies argue that competition and the freedom to succeed or fail according to individual merit is necessary for individuals to reach their full potential. In such societies, individuals are motivated to work harder and achieve more because they know that their success will be based on their own abilities and efforts. For example, in a merit-based society, individuals are free to start their own businesses and compete in the marketplace, which can lead to innovation and economic growth.

In my opinion, both sides of the argument have valid points. While equality and fairness are important for creating a productive and efficient society, freedom and competition are also necessary for individuals to reach their full potential. However, it is important to strike a balance between the two. For example, a society can provide equal opportunities and resources while also encouraging competition and individual achievement. By combining the best of both worlds, individuals can achieve more in a society that values both equality and merit.

In conclusion, the debate over whether individuals can achieve more in egalitarian societies or in societies where they are free to succeed or fail according to their individual merits is complex and controversial. In my opinion, a balanced combination of the two is the best approach for individuals to achieve more in society.

# Many people today would argue that cinemas are becoming irrelevant due to new streaming services. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Question Type	Agree/Disagree
Month	December
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### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The rise of new streaming services such as Netflix and Amazon Prime has led many to argue that cinemas are becoming irrelevant. While it is true that the popularity of streaming services has increased in recent years, I believe that cinemas still have a crucial role to play and will continue to do so in the future.

One of the main arguments for the irrelevance of cinemas is that streaming services offer a more convenient and affordable way for people to watch movies. With the ability to watch movies from the comfort of their own homes, many people no longer feel the need to go to a cinema. However, I believe that this argument only scratches the surface of the benefits of cinemas.

One of the key benefits of cinemas is the communal experience they offer. When people go to a cinema, they are able to share the experience of watching a movie with others. This can be a bonding experience for friends and family, and can also lead to meaningful conversations and discussions about the film. In addition, cinemas offer a more immersive experience than streaming services. With large screens, high-quality sound systems, and state-of-the-art projection systems, cinemas provide a sensory experience that simply cannot be replicated at home.

Another benefit of cinemas is the support they provide to the film industry. Streaming services have certainly disrupted the traditional distribution models of the film industry, but cinemas remain an important source of revenue for filmmakers. The money generated from ticket sales helps to fund the production of new films, ensuring that the industry remains vibrant and innovative.

In conclusion, while it is true that the popularity of streaming services has increased in recent years, I believe that cinemas still have a crucial role to play. With their communal experience, immersive sensory experience, and support for the film industry, cinemas are far from becoming irrelevant. Instead, I believe that cinemas will continue to be an important part of our cultural landscape for many years to come.

As the number of cars increases, more money has to be spent on road systems. Some people think the government should pay for this. Others, however, think that drivers should cover the costs. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Question Type	Discussion
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### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The increasing number of cars on the road has led to the need for increased spending on road systems. There are two main views on who should be responsible for covering these costs: the government or drivers.

On the one hand, there are those who believe that the government should be responsible for paying for road systems. This is based on the idea that roads are a public good and that everyone has the right to use them. Furthermore, the government has the resources to fund large-scale infrastructure projects and has a duty to provide for the needs of its citizens. By paying for road systems, the government could ensure that the roads are safe and efficient for everyone to use.

On the other hand, there are those who believe that drivers should be responsible for covering the costs of road systems. This is based on the idea that drivers are the primary users of the roads and that they should be responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the roads they use. This could be achieved through road taxes, tolls, or other fees. These fees could be used to pay for road upgrades, repairs, and maintenance, as well as to fund new road projects.

In my opinion, I believe that both the government and drivers should contribute to the cost of road systems. While the government has the resources to fund large-scale infrastructure projects, drivers also have a responsibility to contribute to the cost of the roads they use. This could be achieved through a combination of government funding and road taxes or fees. By working together, the government and drivers could ensure that road systems are well maintained and efficient for everyone to use.

In conclusion, there are two main views on who should be responsible for paying for road systems: the government or drivers. While both views have their merits, I believe that the best approach would be for both the government and drivers to contribute to the cost of road systems. By working together, they could ensure that road systems are well maintained and efficient for everyone to use.

# Online currencies have become more common in recent years. Why is this? Is this a positive or negative development?

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### Sample Answer by Mount2 Lib

The use of online currencies has become increasingly popular in recent years. There are several reasons why this trend has emerged, and opinions on its impact are divided.

One of the main reasons for the rise in online currencies is the convenience they offer. Transactions can be made quickly and easily from anywhere with an internet connection, without the need for banks or other intermediaries. Additionally, online currencies are often borderless, allowing for quick and easy cross-border transactions. This is particularly beneficial for people living in countries with unstable currencies or restrictions on traditional banking.

Another reason for the popularity of online currencies is the increasing use of technology in our daily lives. With the rise of smartphones and other connected devices, it has become easier for people to access and use digital currencies. This has also led to the development of innovative new technologies, such as blockchain, which has increased the security and reliability of online currencies.

Despite these benefits, some people believe that the use of online currencies is a negative development. This is because they are often decentralized, meaning that they are not backed by any government or financial institution. This lack of regulation can make online currencies susceptible to fraud and other forms of financial crime. Additionally, because online currencies are still relatively new, many people are unsure about their long-term stability and reliability.

In my opinion, the rise of online currencies is a positive development. While there are certainly risks involved, the benefits of online currencies in terms of convenience, speed, and accessibility outweigh these concerns. As the technology continues to mature, I believe that online currencies will become increasingly mainstream and will play an important role in the future of finance.

In conclusion, online currencies have become more popular in recent years due to their convenience, speed, and accessibility. While there are concerns about the risks associated with online currencies, I believe that their benefits outweigh these risks and that they represent a positive development in the world of finance.



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