

Rose Mount's Institute of English Language

Writing assignments for IELTS Academic and General Module Task-II

1. What do you think is the most important invention of the 20th century? Choose only one. Provide specific details to support your choice.
2. Smokers should have the right to smoke whenever and wherever they please, without any restrictions. Do you agree or disagree with this statement?
3. If you had a child who was not a native English speaker, would you prefer that she learn English through a bilingual education program, an English as a second language program, or regular English classes with native speakers? Choose one of these three methods, and explain why you would choose this method for your child.
4. Which is better: life in a big city or in a small town? Compare and contrast the advantages and disadvantages of these two.
5. What is the most important advice your parents gave you when you were growing up? Include what they taught you, how you learned this “lesson”, and why it is important to you today.
6. “The death penalty should be abolished.” Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Be specific in your supporting arguments.
7. You have been given a choice by your university to live in an on-campus dormitory or to live in your own apartments off campus. Which of the two would you choose and why?
8. Success is very subjective term. How do you define success? In your essay include both your definition and description of a person whom you find to be successful.
9. Often, newcomers to a foreign country find it difficult to make friends with people who are native of the country. What are some effective ways to make new friends in a foreign country? Provide specific suggestions and ways to achieve this goal.
10. What makes a great boss? Describe your ideal employer or boss, including specific personality traits, and state why these are vital to you.
11. There are many environmental problems facing the world today. Some are primarily the responsibility of corporations and government. However, there are several steps an individual can take to help save the environment. Describe the steps that we all can take to help improve the environment.
12. In achieving personal happiness, our relationships with other people (family, friends, colleagues) are most important than anything else. Issue such as work and wealth take second place. Do you agree or disagree?
13. Some people argue that there are no fundamental differences between the way men and women approach academics study. Others insist that there are big differences inevitably have an impact on student life. What are your opinions on this?
14. According to those in the travel business, the nature of the average ‘holiday’ is changing. Rather than seeking a relaxing break in a far-away place, people now want excitement on their holidays and are keen to participate in unusual and challenging activities. Do you agree or disagree?

15. Enormous effort is put into researching and marketing 'the perfect potato crisp' while research into stress at work, for example, is ignored. How important are staff working conditions? Should employers research and improve the working conditions of their staff or should they concentrate more on their product?
16. The age of information technology has taken a lot of people by surprise. While it has become a way of life for some, others know very little about it and may be unlikely to learn. Eventually we will have a polarized society and this will lead to serious social problems. To what extent do you agree with this statement?
17. Children over 15 should be allowed to make decisions about their lives without the interference of their parents or teachers. Society should accept that children mature at a younger age these days and should adjust the law accordingly. Discuss this statement in relation to your own society or a society that you know well.
18. Have newspapers become a medium of the past or do they still play an important role in people's lives? Write for or against about it.
19. Should parents be obliged to immunize their children against common childhood disease? Or do individuals have the right to choose not to immunize their children?
20. As children do we have a natural ability and motivation to take up new interests (such as languages, sports and musical instruments) which as adults we seem to lose? Are there too many social pressures on adults or are there other reasons for the apparent decline in a human being's capacity to learn?
21. A company in which every employee is made to feel important will run more smoothly and experience greater success than a company that values some employees above others. Discuss.
22. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Best teacher is one who is very knowledgeable about the subject matter.
23. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Students learn better when they are not threatened with possible failure.
24. Many people think that parents are more permissive with their children. Do you agree that this is a problem?
25. Women should give up their jobs and go back to the traditional role of homemaker in order to reduce world employment.
26. Out of a country's health budget, a large proportion should be diverted from treatment to spending on health education and prevention measures. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement.
27. When a country develops its technology the traditional skills and ways of life die out. It is pointless to try and keep them alive. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement.