

Life Intermediate Writing worksheet

Answer key

Units 7 & 8 Writing a for and against essay

1 Students' own answers

2 animal testing; the writer is against it

3 1 Statement of topic: *Using animals for testing medicines has been a big issue for a long time*

2 For argument: *Some people strongly believe that it is necessary to do tests on animals so that we can find cures for serious illnesses; ... people in favour of using animals for tests argue that without animal testing, we cannot do the necessary research as it is unethical to test unknown drugs on humans; The mice are bred only for laboratory use so the experiments do not have a negative effect on the natural environment*

3 For example: *A clear example of this is laboratory mice*

4 Against argument: *Others believe that animals should not be used in testing because it is cruel; A further argument is that the experiments may not give accurate results*

5 Against example: *... because they can cause the animals pain; ...since animals are biologically different to humans*

6 Writer's opinion: *I believe the advantages do not outweigh the disadvantages, and testing on animals should stop*

4 *On the one hand; On the other hand; In conclusion; I believe*

5 ... **so** that we can find cures for serious illnesses; **because** it is cruel; **as** it is unethical to test unknown drugs on humans; **so** the experiments do not have a negative effect on the natural environment; **because of** the pain the animals suffer; **since** animals are biologically different to humans

6 1 *in order to*, 2 *Since*, 3 *As*, 4 *so that*, 5 *because*

7 Possible answer

<i>More and more countries are starting to invest in space exploration. What are the arguments for and against this? What is your opinion?</i>	
<i>For argument</i> contribution to science, technology and countries' economies. engaging and will encourage children to study science	Example GPS / Sat Nav creation of jobs
<i>Against argument</i> a waste of money and resources we should concentrate on taking care of our planet and problems threatening it	Example scientists researching space could research medicine instead pollution, sea contamination, fuel consumption
Opinion	

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8 Some people strongly believe that ...; Another reason to support ...; The main point is that ...; A further argument is that ...; A clear argument of this is ...

Many people believe that space exploration is essential as it contributes to science, technology and countries' economies. However, some people argue that it is waste of resources. This essay will look at the arguments for and against space exploration.

One major advantage of space exploration is the scientific discoveries and technologies it brings. Clear examples are GPS and Satellite Navigation. A further argument is that the information scientists get from space exploration can help inspire future generations to study science. It also benefits the economy because it creates jobs.

One major disadvantage of space exploration is the resources it uses. Some people argue that the time and money spent on scientific research for space exploration should be spent on medicine or resolving issues that Earth faces, such as climate change and sea contamination. In addition, space exploration contributes to pollution since it uses large amounts of fuel.

To sum up, I believe that space exploration is important. Because of the fascination it creates, it is an inspiration for children to become the scientists we need for our future. (178 words)

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