

# VSTEP STRUCTURE

B1: 4.0 - 5.5  
 B2: 6.0 - 8.0  
 C1: 8.5 - 10.0

<b>LISTENING</b>	<b>(40 minutes/35 questions)</b> Part 1: 8 questions (8 conversations) Part 2: 12 questions (3/4 conversations) Part 3: 15 questions (3 conversations)
<b>READING</b>	<b>(60 minutes/40 questions/ 4 passages)</b>
<b>WRITING</b>	<b>(60 minutes/ 2 tasks)</b> Task 1: Writing letter/ email (120 words) Task 2: Writing essay (250 words)
<b>SPEAKING</b>	<b>(12 minutes/ 3 parts)</b> Part 1: Social interaction (3 questions/3 mins) Part 2: Situation discussion (4 mins/1 min to prepare 3 mins to speak) Part 3: Topic development (5 mins/1 min to prepare 4 mins to speak)

## Part 2: STRUCTURE

Introduction	<p>1. There are several options to <i>...(situation).....</i> such as <i>(1), (2), and (3)</i>. I think <i>.....(1).....</i> is the best choice because of some reasons.</p> <p>2. <b>Restate the situation</b> such as <i>(1), (2), and (3)</i>. I think <i>.....(1).....</i> is the best choice because of some reasons.</p>
Body	<p>- Firstly, <i>...(1)...is more + long adj/ short adj + er</i> than the other options. (explanation)</p>
	<p>- Secondly, <i>...(1)...is more + long adj/ short adj + er</i> than the other options. (explanation)</p>
	<p>- Finally, <i>...(1)...is more + long adj/ short adj + er</i> than the other options. (explanation)</p>
	<p>I don't choose the other options because they are not suitable</p>
Conclusion	<p>To sum up, There are several options to <i>...(situation).....</i> For some reasons above, I think <i>.....(1).....</i> is the best choice.</p>

Example:

**Situation:** There are some possible places you may go shopping this weekend: *an outdoor market, a supermarket, or a small shop*. Where do you think is the best choice?

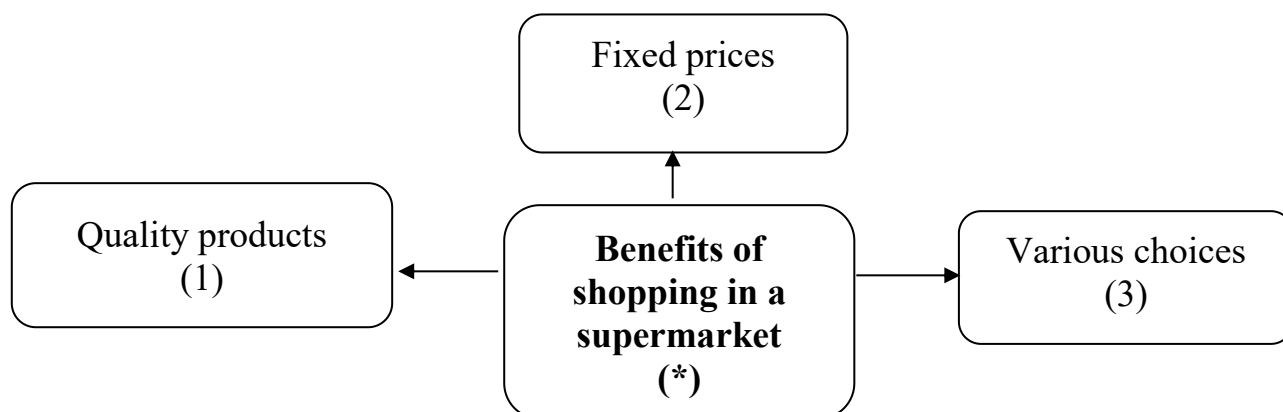
Introduction	<p>1. There are several options to go shopping this weekend such as <i>an outdoor market, a supermarket, and a small shop</i>. I think <i>a supermarket</i> is the best choice because of some reasons.</p> <p>2.</p> <p>3. There are some possible places <i>I</i> may go shopping this weekend such as <i>an outdoor market, a supermarket, and a small shop</i>. I think <i>a supermarket</i> is the best choice because of some reasons.</p>
Body	<p>- Firstly, <i>shopping in a supermarket</i> is <i>cheaper</i> than the other options. (explanation)</p>
	<p>- Secondly, <i>shopping in a supermarket</i> is <i>safer</i> than the other options. (explanation) In fact, the products in a supermarket are always checked out before being sold.</p>
	<p>- Finally, <i>shopping in a supermarket</i> is <i>more comfortable</i> than the other options. (explanation)</p>
	<p>I don't choose the other options because they are not suitable</p>
Conclusion	<p>To sum up, there are several options to go shopping this weekend. For some reasons above, I think <i>shopping in a supermarket</i> is the best choice.</p>

## Part 3: STRUCTURE

<b>Introduction</b>	Restate the topic
<b>Body</b>	- Firstly, one + (*) is (1). (Explanation)
	- Secondly, another + (*) is (2). (Explanation)
	- Finally, one more + (*) is (3). (Explanation)
<b>Conclusion</b>	To sum up, restate the topic such as (1), (2) and (3)

Example:

**Topic:** Shopping in a supermarket has a lot of benefits



<b>Introduction</b>	Shopping in a supermarket has a lot of benefits
<b>Body</b>	- Firstly, one <b><i>benefit of shopping in a supermarket</i></b> is <b><i>quality products</i></b> . (Explanation)
	- Secondly, another <b><i>benefit of shopping in a supermarket</i></b> is fixed prices. (Explanation)
	- Finally, one more <b><i>benefit of shopping in a supermarket</i></b> is various choices . (Explanation)
<b>Conclusion</b>	To sum up, <b><i>Shopping in a supermarket has a lot of benefits</i></b> such as <b><i>quality products, fixed prices, and various choices.</i></b>

**USEFUL CONJUNCTION:**

*And: và*

*Also: cũng*

*Besides: ngoài ra*

*First, second, third,...: thứ nhất, thứ hai, thứ ba,...*

*In addition: thêm vào đó*

*Finally: cuối cùng là*

*Furthermore: xa hơn nữa*

*Moreover: thêm vào đó*

*Hence, so, therefore, thus: vì vậy*

*Because/ Because of: bởi vì*

***Because + Clause (S+V)***

***Because of + (phrase/ N/V-ing)***

*But/ yet: nhưng*

*However/ nevertheless: tuy nhiên*

*On the other hand: mặt khác*

*Although/ even though: mặc dù*

*In fact= actually: thực tế là*

*Indeed: thật sự là*

*Especially: đặc biệt là*

*For the reason: vì lý do này nên*

*The reason for this is: lý do cho điều này là*

*The reason why: lý do tại sao*

*Due to/ Owing to: do*

*The cause of... is: nguyên nhân của vấn đề là*

*To be caused by: được gây ra bởi*

*To be originated from: có nguồn gốc từ*

*Leads to/ leading to: dẫn đến*

*Consequently / as a result/ As a consequence: hậu quả là*

*In contrast, on the contrary: đối lập với*