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## GRE 官方写作题库 24

The best way to teach is to praise positive actions and ignore negative ones.

### 范文

The argument above states that the best way to teach is to praise positive actions and to ignore negative ones. While there are exceptions to the rule, the statement is almost always true.

	内容	详细条目
段落	此段结构	第一句话复述了题目所给的 statement , 第二句作者提出了
		自己的观点,即尽管有时有例外情况,但基本同意这个
		statement.
	此段功能	分析题中 statement , 并给出作者观点。

The best way to elicit positive response from students is to make use of positive energy in order to encourage actions that you would like to see repeated. Human nature dictates that we all want to be accepted. Teachers are responsible for a position of authority. When teachers provide positive feedback, the drive to repeat the action is bound to be particularly strong.

	内容	详细条目
段落	此段结构	作为作者第一个论点的概述,这一段做了一些关于积极给出
		feedback 和学生表现之间关系的阐述。作者指出,激发学生
		积极表现的最好方式就是从正面鼓励学生的正确行为。因为
		这是由人们希望被认可的天性决定的。如果教师给予学生积
		极的评价,学生会更有动力,从而将受鼓励的行动做的更
		好。
	此段功能	论点一,作者简述了表扬积极行为对学生表现的正面影响。
		这是题中 statement 的第一个方面,也是作者表示认同的。

This blanket statement would obviously pay dividends in situations in which a teacher desires to have students repeat particular behaviors. For example, if an educator is attempting to teach students proper classroom etiquette, it would be appropriate to openly praise a student who raises his or her hand when wishing to speak or address the class. In such cases, the teacher may also help shape positive behaviors by ignoring a student who is trying to interject without approval from the teacher. In fact, the decision to ignore students who are exhibiting inappropriate behaviors of this type could work very well in this situation, as the stakes are not very high and the intended outcome can likely be achieved by such a method. However, it is important to note here that this tactic would only be effective in such a "low-stakes" situation, as when a student speaks without raising her hand first. But what would happen if we raised the stake?



	内容	详细条目
段落	此段结构	总分结构。段首句提出这一段围绕的中心: 教师希望学生重
		复某些表现时,经常对他们的表现给出 positive feedback。
		接下来全段使用培养教室礼仪作为支持事例,说明表扬学生
		的积极表现很有助于达到教育目的 , 而有些 low-stakes 消极
		表现可以用 ignore 来处理。但尾句中,作者引出一个下文将
		会论述的问题:消极表现若是 high-stakes 的,应该怎样处
		理?
	此段功能	论点一的进一步补充。教师采用 praise positive actions 方法
		时,得到的积极教育效果。这仍然是题中 statement 的第一
		个方面,也是作者表示认同的。

It is useful to ignore negative behavior when that behavior isn't too serious. Take a student who is just by chatting with a fellow classmate for example, this student might not be presenting much of a problem and may be simply seeking attention. Ignoring the student might, in fact, be the best solution. But what if a student were improperly mixing chemicals in a science experiment or the bullying a fellow student? To ignore these negative actions would be absurd and negligent. By allowing the problem to persist, there exists the potential for serious repercussion. In cases such as these, addressing the negative actions quickly and with disapproval could stop the problem in its tracks and prevent it from happening again in the future.

	内容	详细条目
段落	此段结构	依旧总分结构。作者在段首句提出了本段论点:消极表现如
		果不严重,忽略是比较有效的解决法。作者先列举了学生在
		课堂上讲话以博关注作为不严重的消极表现,又拿对化学试
		剂操作不当和欺负学生作为对比,指出对消极表现可以忽
		略,而对比较严重的则不应该无视。
	此段功能	论点二,作者谈到了忽视消极表现的合理性,也就是他/她
		先前对题目 statement 表示同意的另一个方面。

While there are times when I disagree with the argument presented above, I do generally agree that the best way to teach is by using positive feedback and so, maybe the argument should be refined to state that the best way to teach is to praise positive actions and ignore negative ones that are not debilitating to class efficiency or the safety of any individual. Data proves that positive support can substantially increase motivation and desire in students and contribute to positive achievements. In fact, most studies of teaching efficacy indicate that praising positive actions and ignoring negative ones can create a more stable and efficient classroom. It needs to be stressed, however, that this tool is only effective at certain levels of misbehavior. As mentioned above, when the behavior is precipitated by feelings of revenge, power or self-worthlessness, this methodology will likely not work. It is likely to be very successful, however, when the drive behind the



misbehavior is simple attention seeking. In many of these instances, if the teacher demonstrates clearly that inappropriate behavior does not result in the gaining of attention, students are more likely to seek attention by behaving properly.

	内容	详细条目
段落	此段结构	很长的一段,同样很长的段首句点出了这一段的主题。可以说是作者
		对题中 statement 的补充,因为他/她对 statement 是基本同意的,但也
		承认要考虑一些 exceptions , 这一段就在综合论述此问题。作者先简述
		了在多数情况下表扬积极行为忽略消极行为的适用性,又提出了某些
		程度较重的 misbehavior 不应该忽略。
	此段功能	论点三,作者遵循自己在首段提出的观点。抛出一些特殊情况,基本
		同意题中 statement。前几段在讲如何同意,那么这一段是在解释哪些
		特殊情况令题中 statement 不那么正确。

In conclusion, one can appreciate the credo expressed in this instance, but surely we all can see the potential error of following it through to the extreme.

	内容	详细条目
段落	此段结构	一句话总结全文。告诉读者应该辩证地看待题目中的 statement。可以
		说是,题中的观点基本正确,但对 ignore negative actions 也需要具体情
		况具体分析
	此段功能	总结段,归纳和重申作者的观点。

## 满分要素剖析

#### 语言表达

不算短的一篇文章,作者使用了很多 GRE 级别的词汇;各种从句的使用也比较得心应手。很多长句展现了作者的语言功力,但他/她并未一味堆砌长句,长短句交错使用才能使文章读起来具有平衡的美感。

When teachers provide positive feedback, the drive to repeat the action is bound to be particularly strong. 这一句里的 bound 是一个形容词,表示注定或极可能会……的,通常与 to 或 for 连用,因此用在 is bound to be 里就是几乎肯定会的意思。

In cases such as these, addressing the negative actions quickly and with disapproval could stop the problem in its tracks and prevent it from happening again in the future. 这句话的主语是 addressing the negative actions , 是动名词作主语;quickly and with disapproval 是状语,修饰 address 这个动作;could stop 表示一种虚拟的推测;stop sth in one's tracks 是指使 sth 突然停



下来,可以理解为扼杀。

It needs to be stressed, however, that this tool is only effective at certain levels of misbehavior. 这里的 however 用在句子中间,作为插入语起到了强调这个转折的作用。也就是说,这一整句话和前文要说的意思要偏离很多了。另外,这一句开头的 it 仍然是形式主语,代替 that 后面真正的主语。

In conclusion, one can appreciate the credo expressed in this instance, but surely we all can see the potential error of following it through to the extreme. 这句有两个 expressions 用得很传神。其一是 appreciate the credo, credo是一个 GRE 级别的词汇,是信条的意思,用在此处可以理解为是一种修辞,将 statement 比喻成一种信条,强调了相信的人是坚信着这个 statement 的暗示。其二是 follow it through to the extreme, through 和 to the extreme 是 follow 这个动词的两个补语,表达的是 follow 到什么程度。

#### 逻辑结构

本题要求写作人讨论对题目中的 statement 同意几分,并说明原因。作者选择了同意该 statement,但有附加补充条件。因为题目是说 the best way to teach 的,提到两个部分,一个 是需要 praise positive actions,另一个是 ignore negative ones。作者的思路是,先讨论前者的 合理性,再解释后者的合理性,最后补充 ignore negative ones 时的附加条件。文章的框架是 常见又典型的总分总,第一段先提立场,二、三、四、五段分别论述上句提到的三点,尾段 作总结。



