Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? The rapid growth of cities can be seen as a positive development of the society

Agree.

让步：rapid growth may produce pollution but we have the ability to deal with it.

Growth - economy -> transport 方便；

Construct several metro underground lines. Exp: Line 15 was finished last year, which connected my home and university. So it facilitates my commuting time which I can spend on other activities and have more time to accompany with my family.

- city image -> attract more selective people -> 交流

The growth of the city image help attract more selective people home and abroad. It’s of vital importance to assemble a cluster of people who have the same goals and with different specifications. The joint effort of them would be a powerful motivation for the progress of the society. Shanghai, which is growing rapidly these years, is inviting for foreign corporations like Tesla, Google, Intel and etc.

- security

Security serves to be a criterion to rate a city and degree of citizens’ happiness. One city is never just to be a place to work, but a paradise to live. Nobody could imagine to live in a dangerous city which occupied with gangs and thefts.

**Agree**:

（1）【方便】城市基础设施升级便民 - 住宅，体育设施，地铁，艺术馆

（2）【经济】经济增长带动就业繁荣 - 各行各业，餐饮，物流，健身

（3）【乐趣】城市娱乐生活更加多样 - 放松压力，增加交友圈子

**Disagree**:

（1）【效率】城市扩张影响交通效率 - 人工增加，地面地下交通拥堵

（2）【健康】工作压力过大影响健康 - 竞争激烈，加班加点，公司内、外

（3）【环保】车多人多能耗污染严重 - 发电厂，私家车，工业肥料污染

雾霾：haze

雾霾天气：hazy weather

**范文立场选择**：Disagree

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| **Opening (60-100 Words)** | |
| **Intro** | **Looking back over the history of** human civilization, we have been encouraged by the momentum **coinciding with a parallel trend in** urbanization. Some people argue that urbanism **has been a long-cherished dream** that ties all mankind together because the urban development by which infrastructure is upgraded can expand employment opportunities. |
| **Thesis** | However, in my opinion, the rapid urban growth is **a double-edged sword** which, **despite the financial benefits**, may cause negative impacts like environmental pollution and health threat. |

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| **Body (120-150 Words)** | |
| **Topic** | Furthermore, urban sprawl **has become a major contributor to** pollution in the metropolitan area. |
| **State** | **Especially with the urbanization at an astonishing pace** in recent decades, **an increasing number of** manufacturing facilities and vehicles have emerged, which can **discharge water pollutants and air contaminants dispersed in downtown** and the suburbs. |
| **e.g.** | For example, Beijing **has suffered severe air pollution** due to massive urban expansion. According to a large number of local reports **uncovering the statistical fact**, polluted water and air **have threatened the health of** vulnerable youngsters and caused serious chronic respiratory disease. Although the rapid urbanization in Beijing **has become a symbol of modernity**, eighty percent of the local urban population **are prone to** live in a polluted atmosphere in their neighborhood. |
| **Close** | Thus, a huge sacrifice imposed by urban growth **has deprived many residents from enjoying** an eco-friendly environment. |