**WRITING TASK 2**

1. Nowadays, an increasing number of people are leaving their jobs in companies and corporations to start their own businesses. This trend is quite popular among young people, especially those with a high level of education. Some people believe this tendency is increasing rapidly in many parts of Vietnam. What are the main causes of this tendency?
2. The number of children playing computer games has significantly increased over recent decades. People have different opinions about the effects of games on young players. Some regard video games as harmless fun or even a useful educational tool, while others believe that video games have negative effects on children. Discuss some of the negative impacts of playing computer games on children and suggest some measures to limit the negative effects.
3. Nowadays, an increasing number of high school graduates are choosing to attend university rather than vocational schools, which teach skills related to specific jobs. However, there is a lack of skilled workers such as electricians, builders, or plumbers in the labor market. Therefore, more students should be encouraged to go to vocational schools. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this opinion?
4. Today, in many countries, children and young people are among the biggest groups of Internet users and other communication devices. They can enjoy great benefits from the Internet and modern communication technologies. However, they can be exposed to many other risks as well. Therefore, online safety programs on how to use the Internet and modern communication technologies wisely should be included in primary and secondary school curricula. Discuss the possible dangers of the Internet and communication technologies and the benefits of online safety programs for primary and secondary students.
5. Some people may argue that many Vietnamese students study English for years, but not many of them can use it to communicate well. In order to improve the quality of English learning and teaching in Vietnam, it is strongly recommended that English should be taught only by native English teachers. Do you agree or disagree with this view?
6. Nowadays, more people decide to have children later in life. This tendency can be seen frequently, especially in many developed countries. New data show that the number of American women having kids after the age of 35 is continuing to grow. There are some reasons for this trend, and it will greatly impact families and society. Write an essay to discuss the reasons for this trend and its impacts on families and society.
7. Rainforests play an important role in the health of our environment. However, with air pollution increasing as forests decline, the world is facing a potential crisis with regard to air quality. Individual efforts to improve air quality will not give any results, and it’s only the responsibility of our government to reduce air pollution. Write an essay to discuss whether you agree or disagree.
8. In many countries, young people are encouraged to take part in unpaid community services in their free time to help the local community, such as working for charity, improving the neighborhood, or teaching sports to younger children. It’s widely believed that this would benefit both individual teenagers and society. To what extent do you agree or disagree?
9. In the 21st century, more and more women are becoming career women. They spend more time at work than at home. Most can earn enough to have a housemaid and eat out. Some people believe that children, especially girls, don’t need to learn how to cook or do housework anymore. To what extent do you agree or disagree?
10. With the introduction of the Internet, the lives of human beings have been changed in many different ways. Nowadays, more and more Internet users have found the meaning of their lives in a virtual world. Therefore, some people think that the Internet is a great benefit due to its endless potential. Discuss whether the advantages of the Internet outweigh the disadvantages.
11. Homeschooling, which means students are taught by their parents at home, is growing to be a trend in many countries. What are the advantages and disadvantages of homeschooling?
12. Some people think that the public transportation system should be improved to increase the city's development and growth in the future. Buses should be chosen as the main mode of transportation because they are the cheapest. Therefore, the government should consider replacing private cars with buses. Write an essay to discuss whether you agree or disagree with that suggestion.
13. Currently, there is a wide choice of TV programs in many parts of the world. However, instead of watching educational programs or news, more and more young people prefer to watch game shows, movies, or comedies to relax. As a result, this has negatively affected knowledge acquisition among young generations. Write an essay to discuss the causes and effects of the above tendency.
14. Nowadays, primary school students are allowed to use mobile phones in school. Some people say that mobile phones are useful tools for children to learn and connect with their parents. Others argue that mobile phones have some significant drawbacks. Discuss both views and give your opinion.
15. The number of children who are considered overweight is increasing. This is a negative consequence of modern lifestyles and habits such as eating fast food and playing video games. Discuss causes and measures of childhood obesity.
16. The number of children who are considered overweight is increasing. This is a negative consequence of modern lifestyles and habits such as eating fast food and playing video games. Therefore, some people think increasing the time spent on physical education at school is the best way to deal with the problem of overweight children. To what extent do you agree or disagree?
17. The computer age has arrived; it has changed our lives in many ways, including how we learn. Computers allow huge amounts of information to be stored in a small space. Some people say this can help make learning easier, while others argue computers mostly negatively affect education. Write an essay to compare the two opinions and give your own opinion.
18. People have their own preferences about how to travel. Some prefer traveling alone to have more freedom to do what they like. Others, however, choose to travel in groups with a tour guide to have more fun and reduce travel expenses since everyone will share the costs of accommodation, transportation, and food. Discuss which option you prefer when traveling.
19. As living standards in many parts of the world are getting higher, people are busier. This means that there are more eating options, so people may have less time to eat with their families. Some people think eating in restaurants is better, while others prefer eating at home. Write an essay to give your opinion.
20. Deforestation is happening in many parts of the world, with serious results. What are the causes, and what effects are happening?
21. Art is regarded as an important part of the culture of many countries in the world. However, more and more children seem to be less interested in art, so it is important for us to promote art at school. Do you agree or disagree with this viewpoint?
22. Traffic congestion is a huge problem in many big cities nowadays. One of the solutions to the traffic problem is to use public transportation. What are the advantages and disadvantages of public transportation?
23. With the spread of the Internet, many people nowadays can work at home instead of going to their office. What are the drawbacks of working at home to employees and employers?
24. Brain drain, the movement of highly skilled and educated people leaving their country to work in another country, has recently become one of the most worrying problems. More and more educated and talented experts have moved from developing to rich and developed countries, seeking more opportunities to develop and have a better life. This has greatly affected the developing countries.

Write an essay to discuss the causes and suggest possible solutions to this problem.

### Many students decide to further their studies abroad. What are the benefits and drawbacks of studying abroad?

1. Tourism has become one of the fastest-growing industries in the world. Millions of people today are traveling farther and farther throughout the year. Some people argue that the development of tourism has had negative effects on local communities, while others think that its influences are positive. Write an essay to discuss the effects of tourism on local communities.
2. Write an essay to discuss the advantages and disadvantages of religious tourism.
3. Road traffic accidents now make up a surprisingly significant portion of the worldwide burden of ill-health. An estimated 1.2 million people are killed in road crashes each year. If present trends continue, road traffic injuries are predicted to be the third-leading contributor to the global burden of disease and injury by 2020. Write an essay to discuss the causes of traffic accidents and suggest possible solutions.
4. Advantages and disadvantages of reading picture books to young children.
5. Traffic jams are becoming a serious problem in big cities. It has had a serious influence on both citizens and society. Many solutions have been applied to solve this problem, and one way is to build sky trains in cities that run overhead rather than on the ground. Discuss some advantages and disadvantages of building sky trains in cities.
6. With the recent development in technology like e-books, some people think that printed media like books, newspapers, and magazines will soon be a thing of the past. Others think that those forms of media will never disappear. Discuss the future of print media. Will print media disappear or not in the future?
7. Overpopulation is a global problem today. It has reached an alarming extent and demands a quick remedy. Discuss the effects of overpopulation and suggest measures/solutions.
8. In the 21st century, people usually prefer living in a small family or a nuclear family rather than tending to live with a large family. A small family with two generations is now growing rapidly. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of living with a small family versus a large family with two generations.
9. A good command of English can help people gain a good deal of information from international resources. Do you agree or disagree with this view?
10. Art education is vital for future students. Art classes affect students in ways that many other classes cannot. They can help develop children’s creativity, thought process, and their way of expression. However, some people think that studying arts at school is such a waste of time, and students should study other useful subjects like Maths or Languages. Write an essay to say whether you agree or disagree with the statement above.

# Some people think that learning only takes place in a particular place and at a particular period of time. Others argue that learning should be a continuous process rather than a stage in a person’s life. That is the reason why many people believe that it is never too late to learn. Write an essay to say whether you agree or disagree with the statement ”It is never too late to learn.”

1. The subjects that children are taught in schools are decided by central authorities. Some people say that teachers, not politicians, should be responsible for this task. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this opinion?

# The amount of electronic waste is continuously growing. What do you think are the reasons behind it, and can you suggest some ways to deal with it?

1. A serious problem affecting countries right across the globe is the lack of water for drinking, washing, and other household uses. According to recent research, a significant portion of the world's population, around 10-20%, is forced to drink unclean water. Why do many countries face water shortages and what could be done to alleviate the problem?
2. Write an essay discussing the advantages and disadvantages of letting schools choose their own language textbooks.

## Many scientists have been actively studying plants and animals' genes to create biotech foods. What are the advantages and disadvantages of biotech foods?

1. In many countries, especially India, arranged marriage has become a part of their culture. Many people argue that this trend is not appropriate in modern society as they believe that love marriage of couples would be better. Write an essay to discuss your opinion whether arranged marriage or love marriage is better.
2. Air pollutants have had harmful effects on human health and the environment. In big cities, these pollutants are principally the products of combustion from space heating, power generation, or motor vehicle traffic. Pollutants from these sources may not only prove a problem in the immediate vicinity of these sources but can travel long distances. Write an essay to discuss the effects of air pollution on people and the environment and suggest possible measures to deal with this problem.
3. Fashion is important to some people but often overlooked by others. Write an essay to discuss the importance of fashion and give your opinion on its importance.
4. In recent years, there has been a growing concern over the rapid decline in biodiversity worldwide. Write an essay to discuss the primary causes of biodiversity loss and suggest some solutions to maintain biodiversity.

### Fossil fuel, such as coal, oil, and natural gas, is extensively used in many countries, which causes harm to the environment. The use of alternative sources of energy, including wind and solar power, however, is being encouraged in many countries. Write an essay to discuss the advantages and disadvantages of green energies.

1. Some people believe that to be successful in a sport, natural ability is necessary while others think hard work and practice are more important. Write an essay to discuss both views and give your opinion.
2. In the past, it was much more common for people to have a single, simple career path, sometimes even with just one employer. However, recent years have witnessed a widespread increase in the change of jobs and careers of youngsters. Many young job seekers nowadays are really looking to change their jobs for a number of reasons. Write an essay to discuss the reason for this trend, is this trend a positive or negative development?
3. Write an essay to discuss what affects people’s job satisfaction.
4. Write an essay to discuss the advantages and disadvantages of online learning.
5. During the COVID-19 pandemic, online teaching became essential and significantly changed the learning system. However, many students prefer offline learning. Write an essay to discuss why students prefer studying in traditional schools to learning online.

## Advertising is a very common feature of all our daily media. In fact, in most daily newspapers, advertising makes up the majority of the content. Very large amounts of money are spent on advertising. A television commercial can easily cost many thousands of dollars per second. Write an essay to an educated reader to discuss the advantages and disadvantages of advertising.

# In recent years, there has been a push for countries to adopt cashless payment methods. What are the advantages and disadvantages of cashless payments?

1. Being a celebrity - such as a famous film star or sports personality - brings problems as well as benefits. Write an essay to discuss the advantages and disadvantages of being famous.