

DAY 6

WRITING

PART 2 – Responding to survey questions

Write a response based on your outline you wrote in Day 5. Write about 150-200 words.

There's a safety concern about the iconic tree in Stanley Park. The 700-year-old tree was severely damaged by storms that caused it to lean dangerously to one side. The Park Board is requesting opinions from the residents on what to do with the now-dead tree.

A: Cut down the tree for people's safety

B: Install a support structure and build a fence around it

TIPS

Despite the instruction, **write between 190-220 words**. Express your opinion clearly. Include detailed reasons to support your choice. You probably want to write 4 paragraphs (opening, 2 body paragraphs, closing). Spend a few minutes at the end to go over your writing. You can use the writing checklist from Day 4 exercise as a guide.

Note where we end the sentence with a period, rather than a comma.

Avoid repetition of words in your response.

Be sure to explain the argument you presents, so the reader can understand your point of view.

Dear Board **Members**,

I am writing in response to the survey posted on the community website. In my opinion, building a structure to support **the tree** and fencing **it** will be much more beneficial for the community members. Some people will argue that **cutting** down the tree **guarantees** people's safety however, this can have critical implications.

Firstly, the tree has all the old memories associated with it. Last week, I was telling my son about my **WW wedding** under the old iconic tree. Similarly, everyone in the community had a story **(repetition) about it**. Cutting the tree will also diminish the moments **(unclear, why would it diminish the moments?) (repetition)**.

People travel from different parts of the country to see the 700-year-old tree. Travelers pay the park to **WW take** pictures with the tree. **This** provides revenue for the park maintenance. **WWThe removal of** the tree will impact Stanley **Park's** income. **(it will also impact the park's sanitation services???) Why/how???** **This is also a different idea. It may warrant a separate paragraph**). Fencing and building a reinforcement structure will prevent the tree from storms. **It** also enhances the safety of the people.

I am optimistic that the survey committee will consider my suggestion. At last, I want to thank the survey committee for **the opportunity to voice** my opinions.

I am looking forward to the survey results.

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