Great Writing 4 - Lesson 2 Homework

# Essay 3 The Urban and Rural Divide

## *Post-Reading*

1. What is the topic of this essay?

The topic of this essay is the differences ~~of~~ (between?) urban and rural life.

2. What is the thesis statement?

The thesis statement is “Perhaps some of the most notable differences in life of these two groups include the degree of friendliness between residents, the pace of life, and the variety of available activities.”

3. In each paragraph, which type of location is always discussed first - rural or urban?

Urban

4. Which paragraph talks about activities in each area?

Paragraph four

Which place offers more options for activities?

The urban offers more options for activities.

5. In paragraph 3, the writer contrasts the pace of life in the two areas. Write the supporting sentences for the pace of life in each area.

1. Urban

1. “In the city life moves very quickly.”

2. “The streets reflect this hectic and are rarely empty, even late at night.”

3. “City dwellers appear to be racing to get somewhere important.”

4. “Life for them to be a series of deadlines.”

1. Rural

1. “In the country, life is much slower.”

2. “Even during peak hours, traffic jams occur less often than in a city.”

3. “Stores close in the early evening, the streets do not come alive until the next morning.”

4. “The people in small towns or villages seem relaxed and move in a leisurely way.”

# Essay 4 Cancer Risks

## *Post-Reading*

1. What is the writer’s main message in this essay?

The writer’s main message is that modern people’s everyday behavior could lead to different forms of cancer compared to the past, which could be reduced if people change their lifestyle.

2. What is the thesis statement of this essay?

The thesis statement of this essay is “By eating better, exercising regularly, and staying out of the sun, people can reduce their risks of getting cancer.”

3. The thesis statement should tell the reader how the essay will be organized. What do you know about the organization of the essay from the thesis statement?

~~The essay~~ The writer will address the following three points in order (eating better, exercising regularly, staying out of the sun) and then conclude the essay.

4. In paragraph 2, the writer states that many people eat unhealthy food. What supporting information explains why this food is not healthy?

The supporting information that those food contain large amounts of saturated fat, (the worst kinds of all) explains why this food is not healthy. + Processed food does not contain fiber. (“Instead, they now eat a lot more processed foods that do not contain natural fiber.”)

5. In paragraph 2, the writer also explains why people enjoy eating unhealthy foods. Write the reason here.

Because unhealthy food often tastes better.