

**EXAM NOTE\_B1 & B2**  
**Bài thi VSTEP**

**I/ Writing: (2 phần)**

**1/ Mail/letter:**

**Informal:**

Hi .... / Dear ....

Thank a lot for writing. It is great to hear from you!

- Main 1:....

- Main 2:...

- ..... I am looking forward to hearing from you soon/ see you soon

Sincerely/ love

Heily

**Formal**

Dear Sir/madam

Yours Faithfully

Dear + Tên cụ thể

Yours sincerely

**2/ Essay writing:**

**- Dạng 1: Discussion and give your own opinion (Thảo luận và đưa ra ý kiến)**

**Nhận dạng đề:**

*- Discuss both views and give your own opinion*

*- Do the advantages outweigh the disadvantages?*

**Brain drain: chảy máu chất xám**

**Obesity: béo phì/obese**

**Deforestation: nạn phá rừng**

**Abortion: Phá thai**

**Nên sử dụng động từ tình thái (may, can, will, would)**

**Nam swim well**

**Nam can swim well**

## TASK 2

You should spend about 40 minutes on this task. Read the following article about technology.

Nowadays, technology is becoming more and more popular in the society. There is a growing number of people using technological devices, especially computers, for different purposes, such as learning. Some people say that computers have made learning easier and more convenient. Other people say that computers influence learning negatively.

Write an essay to an educated reader to discuss both views and give your opinion. Include reasons and any relevant examples to support your answer.

You should write at least 250 words. Your response will be evaluated in terms of Task Fulfilment, Organization, Vocabulary and Grammar.

**C1:** In recent years, child obesity.....(chu de) ...has become a broad issue to the general public. Some people believe that ...(qd1)... However, others think that.... (qd2).. In my opinion, I agree with the former/ latter idea. Discussed below are several reasons supporting my perspective. (đồng ý hoàn toàn)

**C2:** In recent years, child obesity.....(chu de) ...has become a broad issue to the general public. Some people believe that ...(qd1)... However, others think that.... (qd2).. In my opinion, both views have their own merits. Discussed below are several reasons supporting my perspective (đồng ý một phần)

**Ex:** In recent years, using computers in learning has become a broad issue to the general public. Some people believe that thanks to computers, our learning has become easier and more convenient. However, others think that computers have a lot of negative influence on learning. In my opinion, both views have their

own merits. Discussed below are several reasons supporting my perspective

**First and foremost**, people should recognize that **computers have a number advantages to our learning**. A very important point to consider is that **our learning is becoming easier than ever before**. This means that (giai thich 1)... To illustrate this point, I would like to mention **that (according to the data of.....,% of...vi du 1)**. **Another point I would like to make is that ... (ly do 2)**.. This is because of the fact that **....(giai thich 2)**... (For example,....)

**On the other hand**, there are several arguments in support of the idea that (qd2).. It is also convincing to realize that **...(li do)....** This means that **...(giai thich)...** A specific example of this is that ..... **Another point I would like to make is that ... (ly do 2)**.. This is because of the fact that **....(giai thich 2)**... For example,....

**In conclusion**, the above mentioned facts have created a dilemma when people evaluate the impact of this issue, and it is still a controversial issue. As far as I am concerned, the pros and cons of this issue are well-balanced. People should have further consideration on this issue.

I put more highlight on the idea that (qd1/qd2) ...

**- Dạng 2: Agree or disagree (Argumentative: Đồng ý hay ko đồng ý)**

- *Whether S+V or...*
- *Do you agree or disagree....*
- *Should...*
- *To what extent do you agree or disagree...*
- *Is this positive or negative...*

You should spend about 40 minutes on this task. Read the following article about reading.

**Picture books** has become popular in the society, especially with the children. The annual sales of picture books prove the great attraction of this type of books. However, some people say that **reading picture books may harm the imagination of the**

**children** because it is similar to the other devices, such as televisions.

Write an essay to an educated reader to discuss **whether you agree or disagree with** the idea above. Include reasons and any relevant examples to support your answer.

**In recent years**, ... (chu de)... has become a broad issue to the general public. Some people believe that ...(qd).... **In my opinion, I partly agree with this idea.** Discussed below are several reasons in favor of my perspective.

**First and foremost**, people should recognize that ...(qd). A very important point to consider is that ....(li do 1)... This means that... (giai thich 1)... To illustrate this point, I would like to mention that ...(vi du 1).. Another point I would like to make is that ..(li do 2).. This is because of the fact that (giai thich2)... For example...

**On the other hand**, there are several arguments against **the statement** that ...(qd)... In fact, people have this opinion because ...(li do ko dong y)... This means that ... (giai thich)... This can be shown by the example that.... Another point I would like to make is that ... (ly do 2).. This is because of the fact that ....(giai thich 2)... For example,....

**In conclusion**, the above mentioned facts have created a dilemma when people evaluate the impact of this issue, and it is still a controversial issue. **As far as I am concerned, it could have both positive and negative impacts.** People should have further consideration on this issue.

**In recent years**, **READING PICTURE BOOKS** has become a broad issue to the general public. Some people believe that **reading picture books MAY DO HARM TO/MAY HAVE NEGATIVE IMPACTS ON the imagination of the children SINCE it is similar to the other devices, such as televisions.** In my opinion, **I partly agree with this idea.** Discussed below are several reasons in favor of my perspective.

KHÔNG TỐT

KHÔNG TỐT/CÓ HẠI	TỐT/CÓ LỢI
BE HARMFUL TO BE DETRIMENTAL TO DO HARM TO CAUSE/HAVE/PRODUCE NEGATIVE/BAD EFFECTS/IMPACTS ON SB/ST	BE ADVANTAGEOUS TO BE BENEFICIAL TO DO GOOD TO HAVE/PRODUCE POSITIVE EFFECTS/IMPACTS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Students/children can be misled by the aspects of the pictures in the books which are not closely related to the meaning of the word they are trying to understand.</li> <li>- Normally, based on words printed in books, children have/develop their own imagination in their mind about the fact/content they are reading. With pictures illustrated, their imagination will be hampered and they may not read the words in the books, which severely affects their reading skills.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- most children are keen on/are fond of/are addicted to reading books mainly because there are pictures printed in the book which attract their attention to the content of the books.</li> <li>- Most children pay attention to the content of the book instead of pictures. It means that they pay little attention to the pictures, so they can still develop their own imagination of the characters/plot of the book</li> </ul>

In recent years, picture books have become popular in the society, especially with the children ~~has become a broad issue to the general public~~. Some people believe that reading picture books may harm the imagination of the children. In my opinion, I partly agree with this idea. Discussed below are several reasons in favor of my perspective.

**First and foremost**, people should recognize that **READING PICTURE BOOKS IS DETRIMENTAL TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF IMAGINATION OF THE CHILDREN**. A very important point to consider is that students/children can be misled by the aspects of the pictures in the books which are not closely related to the meaning of the word they are trying to understand.  
 .....Another point I would like to make is that Normally, based on words printed in books, children have/develop their own imagination in their mind about the fact/content they are reading. With pictures illustrated, their imagination will be hampered

and they may not read the words in the books, which severely affects their reading skills.

**On the other hand**, there are several arguments **against the statement** that CHILDREN'S IMAGINATION CAN BE POSITIVELY AFFECTED BY READING PICTURE BOOKS. In fact, people have this opinion because most children **are keen on/are fond of/are addicted to** reading books mainly because there are pictures printed in the book which attract their attention to the content of the books. This means that ... **(giai thích)**... This can be shown by the example that.... Another point I would like to make is that **most children pay attention to the content of the book instead of pictures**. It means that they pay little attention to the pictures, so they can still develop their own imagination of the characters/plot of the book

- **Dạng 3: advantages – disadvantages** (thảo luận nhưng ko đưa ra ý kiến cá nhân)

Nhận dạng:

+ **Discuss both views**

+ **Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of....**

In recent years, ....**(chu de)**... has become a broad issue to the general public. Some people believe the issue....**(chu de)**... has many **advantages**. However, Others think that it could also have some **negative effects**. Discussed below are several **benefits** as well as **drawbacks** of this issue.

**In my opinion, its cons could never overshadow its pros**

First and foremost, people should recognize that there are many advantages of ....**(chu de)**.... A very important point to consider is that ....**(thuan loi 1)**.... This means that .....**(giai thích)**.... To illustrate this point, I would like to mention that .....**(ví dụ)**.... Another point I would like to make is that ....**(thuận lợi 2)**.... This is because of the fact that ....**giải thích**..... For example .....

On the other hand, in addition to the important advantages of this problem. It has some **disadvantages**, In fact, people have this opinion because ...**(bất lợi)**.... This means that **(giải thích)**..... This can be shown by the example that ...**(ví dụ)**..... Another point I would like to make is that ...**(lý do 2)**.. This is because of the fact that ....**(giải thích 2)**... For example,....

In conclusion, the above mentioned facts have outlined the benefits as well as the drawbacks of this issue. Its disadvantage should be taken into account. People should take advantage of the pros and minimize the cons of this issue.

#### Dạng 4: Causes/effect-solution

Nhận dạng đề:

- What are causes and effects/solutions
- reasons- measures to improve/solve
- Why is this case and how to improve...
- Discuss the causes and solutions

In recent years, **(chủ đề)**... has become a broad issue to general public. Although noticeable, the impact of this issue has not been realized by many residents. Discussed below are several **causes/effects** as well as **effects of/solutions** to this issue.

First and foremost, people should recognize that there are several main reasons supporting the idea that **(lý do 1 hoặc tác động 1)** A very important point to consider is that ..... This means that ..... To illustrate this point, I would like to mention that ..... Another point I would like to make is that ..... This is because of the fact that ..... For example, according to the statistics of .....

There are many obvious effects of this issue. One primary effect would be that ..... This means that ..... In addition, ..... This means that .....

In conclusion, the above-mentioned facts have outlined the reasons as well as the effects of this issue. Its **causes/effects and effects/solutions** should be taken into account. People should have further consideration on this issue.

In order to solve the problem, there are **a number of** possible measures that can be taken. **First, it is the responsibility of the authorities who raise public awareness of the problem.** By doing this, more and more people will have deeper understanding of the possible effects of the issue, and then they may stop activities which may do harm **to** it. **A further viable solution is that each person should also share their duty by boosting dissemination of harmful effects of the issue.** In fact, the problem will be mitigated if every individual is held responsible **for** addressing the problem. For example, when I was a student, every student in my class joined hand to solve this issue. Consequently, this matter was significantly improved after a while.

**In conclusion, the above mentioned facts have outlined the reasons as well as solutions to this issue. The presented suggestion would be very good steps towards solving them. People should have further consideration on this issue.**



**In order to resolve such problems, people should take some concerted measures. One primary solution would be that the parents should control ~~their children's~~ meals ~~for their children~~. This means that they should prepare ~~many~~ different kinds of the food, such as vegetable, fish, egg, milk, go on... In addition, the schools should organize many activities for children such as play sports, ~~role-play~~... This is because of the fact that children would reduce ~~their~~ time for playing games ~~or internet~~. For example, in Sakura school, they reduce about 80% children who play games after the school by building up the interest of doing exercises. However, education is the main way to tackle this issue. People need to be aware of the effects so that they can avoid this problem.**

**In conclusion, the above mentioned facts have outlined the reasons as well as solutions of this issue. The presented suggestion would be very good steps towards solving them. People should have further consideration on this issue.**

You should spend about 40 minutes on this task. Read the following article about health.

Children's health is the matter which parents and governments often care about. In fact, children of many countries are becoming **obese** and this in turn is becoming a serious worldwide issue.

Write an essay to an educated reader to **discuss causes and suggest some solutions to this problem**. Include reasons and any relevant examples to support your answer.

You should write at least 250 words. Your response will be evaluated in terms of Task Fulfilment, Organization, Vocabulary and Grammar.

In recent years, **children obesity/ That children are becoming obese** has become a broad issue to general public. Although noticeable, the impact of this issue has not been realized by many residents.

An increasing number of professionals, such as doctors and teachers, are leaving their own poorer countries to work in developed countries. This is called **brain drain. Brain drain** occurs in developing countries such as Vietnam, Malaysia, South American nations and the island nations of Caribbean. In Vietnam, this is a serious matter.

Write an essay to an educated reader to **discuss the causes and suggest some solutions to** this problem. Include reasons and any relevant examples to support your answer.

You should write at least 250 words. Your response will be evaluated in terms of Task Fulfilment, Organization, Vocabulary and Grammar

#### **Dạng 5: Two-part question**

- Hỏi 2 vấn đề (nguyên nhân-tác động; tầm quan trọng-lí do/giải pháp; nguyên nhân- tích cực hay tiêu cực của vấn đề, ....)

Cách làm: giống với dạng 4:

In recent years, **(chủ đề)...** has become a broad issue to general public. **Although noticeable, the impact of this issue has not been realized by many residents.** Discussed below are several **causes** as well as **effects of/solutions** to this issue.

First and foremost, people should recognize that there are several main reasons supporting the idea that ..... A very important point to consider is that ..... This means that ..... To illustrate this point, I would like to mention that ..... Another point I would like to make is that ..... This is because of the fact that ..... For example, according to the statistics of .....

There are many obvious effects of this issue. One primary effect would be that ..... This means that ..... In addition, ..... This means that .....

In conclusion, the above-mentioned facts have outlined the reasons as well as the effects of this issue. Its causes and effects/solutions should be taken into account. People should have further consideration on this issue.

**Hoặc** In conclusion, the above mentioned facts have outlined the reasons as well as solutions to this issue. The presented suggestion would be very good steps towards solving them. People should have further consideration on this issue.

## **II/ Speaking:**

### **1/ People:**

... is very friendly. So, everybody loves him/her

So, he/she has a lot of friends

...can sing well. Because he/she practices singing a lot

...likes watching TV with my family, for example news or films in the free times.

....often watches TV.....

... often goes to the park with his/her family at the weekend. Because it's his/her favorite activity.

...is an energetic person. So, people often feel excited when talking to him/her

... is a funny person. Because he/she often makes people laugh with his/her stories.

...is a helpful person. In fact, he/she usually helps other people with different things.

## **2/ Place:**

...is located in a convenient place. In fact, people can come there by different means of transport.

...is very clean. So, people feel comfortable when come here.

...There are many trees in this place. So, people can enjoy the fresh air here.

...is an interesting place. In fact, people can have different activities here.

...is not very new place but i/**people** have a lot of memories about it.

...is not very large but it's a beautiful place.

## **3/ Object:**

...is very popular with me/people. I/everyone use it everyday.

...is very useful. Because, it's helps me/people with many things.

...is not very expensive. So, it can save me/people a lot.

...is very meaningful to me/people. Because, I think I/people have a lot of memories with it.

## **4/ Activities/ event:**

### **- health**

...is very good for health. Because I/people take part in many activities. Such as: walking, running,...

...help me/people keep fit. In fact, I/people have to move all the time.

### **- Tinh thần:**

...is very relaxing. To be honest, I/people really like it after a stressful time.

...is quite entertaining. So, it can help me/people reduce a lot of stress.

### **- Education(giáo dục):**

...is very educational. In fact, I/people can learn so many things. For example:....

...help me/people enrich the knowledge. So by doing so/by doing so, I/people will become more confident about many things.

...is very useful for me/people. Because, I/people can practice soft skills, like communication skills.

### **- Environment(môi trường):**

...is good for the environment. Because, everyone know how important it is.

...can keep the environment clean. So, it's good for our health.

## **FORM – speaking (12’):**

**Part 1: TRẢ LỜI 6 CÂU HỎI, 2 chủ đề:** Xem câu hỏi vào chủ đề j thì nói về chủ đề đấy (không trả lời ngắn mà nên trả lời và phát triển ý)

**Part 2: TRẢ LỜI THEO DẠNG FORM VỀ 3 SỰ LỰA CHỌN**

**1 phút chuẩn bị và 3 phút trình bày.**

**Ex:** Students are encouraged to read books at school. There are 3 kinds of books: Text books, picture books, reference books. What do you choose?

**Given the situation** that (đề bài + 3 sự lựa chọn), I think (lựa chọn tốt nhất 1) would be the best choice for us for several reasons.

**First, (lý do 1), also (lý do 2).** I think those are the main reasons (nhắc lại lựa chọn tốt nhất)

On the other hand, I don't choose (không chọn 3) as (lý do không chọn 3). For (không chọn 2). I don't think it is a good option because .....(phát triển ý).

**So in short,** I believe that.....(lựa chọn tốt nhất) is the best choice for (đối tượng trong đề bài)

**Part 3: TRẢ LỜI THEO DẠNG FORM VỀ CHỦ ĐỀ ĐƯA RA**

**In recent years, (chu đề)** has become a broad issue to the general public. Some people believe that (đọc lại đề bài)

**Firstly,** câu 1 nêu nội dung gợi ý, phát triển ý;

**Secondly,** câu 2 nêu nội dung gợi ý, phát triển ý;

**Thirdly,** câu 3 nêu nội dung gợi ý, phát triển ý;

**Finally,** câu 4 Your own ideas (không bắt buộc) nêu nội dung mình muốn nói, phát triển ý;

**To sum up, (đọc lại đề)**

=> **Trả lời thêm 3 câu hỏi:**

With the follow up questions, question 1: .....

With the follow up questions, question 2: .....

With the follow up questions, question 3: .....

*(Trả lời càng nhanh càng tốt, ko thì ko nhất thiết phải trả lời hết 3 câu)*

**III/ Reading (60’): 4 đoạn văn – 40 câu hỏi – 10x4**

- Đọc các đoạn văn để tìm từ vựng chú ý:

+ Các từ nhắc lại nhiều lần, quan trọng trong đoạn văn;

+ Tìm các từ chỉ số ít: chỉ người, vật,...

- + Tìm các từ mang ý “hiểu ngầm – inferred”;
- + Tìm các từ kiểu loại trừ NOT “ngoại trừ - Except”.

**IV/ Listening: 40 phút (35 câu, 3 phần, 8-12-15)**

- Đọc trước câu hỏi, xong rồi mới nghe từng câu, chú ý:
- + Từ để hỏi: What, When, Which, Who,....;
- + Từ mang ý chính trong các câu hỏi.