# 原力英语 A2 读写专项训练 5——议论文写作

# 议论文写作概述

- 议论文写作是各大英文考试当中最常见的一种,包括中高考,四六级,雅思托福,SAT,GRE等通通要涉及到议论文的写作。
- 议论文是以议论为主要表达方式的一种文体,它通过对细节和理由等的叙述,从而表达出作者的观点和主旨。多由论点,论据和论证三部分构成。

#### 中考议论文写作例题

最近,你们班就"是否应该帮助陌生人"展开了讨论,同学们就这一话题意见不一,你的看法如何?根据所提供的信息,以"Should We Help Strangers?"为题,写一篇短文。

赞成:帮助他人是美德;帮助他人就是帮助自己;

反对: 怕陷入麻烦; 怕被误解;

你的观点?(至少两点)

要求: 1) 表达清楚, 语法正确, 上下文连贯;

- 2) 必须包括表格中所有的相关信息,并适当发挥;
- 3) 词数: 100 左右(征文的开头已给出,不计入总词数);
- 4)不得使用真实姓名、校名和地名等。

参考词汇: 美德 virtue

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Some think we should try to help strangers. Helping others is a virtue, and helping others is helping ourselves. We may come across some trouble and need others' help some day. If everyone isn't willing to help us just because we are strangers to them, it's hard to imagine what our world will be like.

However, some are afraid that helping others can sometimes bring us trouble. Sometimes we are just misunderstood and even have to pay the cost of kindness.

In my opinion, we should try our best to help others when they are in need of help, but we should also protect ourselves from getting into trouble. If everyone tries a little kindness, our world will be full of love.

### 高考议论文写作例题

当前不少文学作品被改编成电影。有人选择看电影,有人则喜欢读原著。请你以"Film or book, which do you prefer?"为题,按照下列要点写一篇英语短文:

- 1、 看电影: 省时、有趣、易懂
- 2、 读原著:细节更多、语言优美
- 3、 我的看法及理由

注意: 1、词数: 100-120 文章题目和开头已给出(不计入词数)

2、参考词汇: original work 或 book in the original (原著)

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### Film or book, which do you prefer?

Some of us think that it is better to see the film than to read the book in the original. The reason is that it takes less time to understand the whole story. Besides, the film is usually more interesting, and it is easier to follow.

Some others have just the opposite opinion. They think that they can get more detailed information from the original. Meanwhile, the language in the book is possibly more lively and beautiful.

Personally, I agree with the second view, and I have more reasons for it. I think I can stay at home, reading quietly in a situation of my own, and what's more, I am able to better understand the author's ideas. Owing

to the reasons above, to read the original work is a better choice than to see the film.

### 托福议论文写作例题

Some people prefer to eat at food stands or restaurants. Other people prefer to prepare and eat food at home. Which do you prefer? Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.

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Some people like to eat out at food stands and restaurants, while others like to prepare food at home. This preference depends on the kind of lifestyle people have. Those with very busy jobs outside the house don't always have time to cook. They like the convenience of eating out. Overall, though, it is cheaper and healthier to eat at home.

While eating in restaurants is fast, the money you spend can add up.

When I have dinner at restaurants with a friend, the bill is usually over
twenty dollars. I can buy a lot of groceries with that much money. Even
lunch at a fast-food stand usually costs five or six dollars for one person.

That's enough to feed the whole family at home.

Eating at home is better for you, too. Meals at restaurants are often high in fat and calories, and they serve big plates of food--much more food than you need to eat at one meal. If you cook food at home, you have more control over the ingredients. You can use margarine instead of

butter on your potatoes, or not put so much cheese on top of your pizza.

At home, you can control your portion size. You can serve yourself as little as you want. In a restaurant, you may eat a full plate of food "because you paid for it".

# 托福议论文写作例题

It's true that eating out is convenient. You don't have to shop, or cook, or clean up. But real home cooking doesn't have to take a lot of time. There are lots of simple meals that don't take long to make. In fact, they're faster than eating out, especially if you think of the time you spend driving to a restaurant, parking, waiting for a table, waiting for service, and driving home.

Both eating at restaurants and cooking at home can be satisfying.

Both can taste good and be enjoyed with family and friends. I prefer cooking at home because of the money and health aspects. Ultimately, people will make the choice that fits their lifestyle best.

# 议论文的结构

议论文一般由以下几个部分构成:

- 提出议题
- 摆出需讨论的不同观点
- 表明作者的观点并加以论证
- 总结

# 议论文写作常见问题

- 1. 开头部分铺陈过多,拖泥带水。首段要开门见山,将重点放到论述部分。
- 2. 观点不鲜明。如果作者本身没有想好观点,读者阅读起来就更没有头绪。在组织文章的时候,一定要想清楚你要写的文章的中心思想是什么。你想表达的几个观点或者你要讲述的故事是不是和题目所述是一致的。明确了这一点再去下笔,如果是写作中途才发现不对那就很麻烦了。论述的时候一定要再三确定它与观点是密切相关的。
- 3. 不会建立论据,论证的语言空泛,言之无物。经常是陈述观点的时候没有去论证,只是在反复说同一个道理。即使有论述,多半也是常识表述或者举反例。这些论证方式的力度普遍不高。
- 4. 用词表达中式思维,词汇使用捉襟见肘。平时多阅读,多积累,但时常也要用输出逼自己多输入。

# 议论文的有序铺陈

An argument consists of:

- Claim: the point you want to prove 你想要论证的观点
- Evidence: facts that support your argument 支持你观点的事实论据
- Reason: logic that connects the evidence to your argument 把论据和论点联系起来的逻辑
- Counterclaims: claims that contradict your claim 与你观点相反的论点(根据你的观点有选择性的添加)

• Conclusion: the summary of your argument or the final judgment you've reached through your argument 论证的总结或者你通过论证得出的最终判断

#### Organized example:

Everyone knows that studying helps you learn. But exercising your body is as important as exercising your mind. In fact, kids who exercise more do better on tests—even when they don't study any more than other kids. People who do some gentle exercise as they're listening to new information tend to remember it better. So if you want to learn more, and learn better, don't just hit the books—get moving.

#### 如果,我们把刚刚读过的内容稍稍打乱:

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不难发现,整个阅读体验就会变差不少,因为内容条理不清晰。

# 如何进行有效论述?

#### **BUILDING AN ARGUMENT**

相比英文,汉语的表达要稍显含蓄一些。但是,在论证类的文章当中,一定要在开头的部分清晰的讲出你的 main point。不然后面的观点会令读者觉得无从下手。

看下面一个观点句: We still need regular books, even with computers. 分析: 这个观点给的就不是很清晰, 作者没有解释清楚"regular"的含义, 并且 computers 涵盖的范围也太广, 意义不明确。

#### 对比以下这个句子:

Digital books may be catching on, but readers still want printed books.

分析: 这个观点是清晰而明确的。作者在 digital books 和 printed books 间做了明显的分界,并且解释了他对于这两者的具体观点。

#### **SUPPORT YOUR CLAIMS**

有力的观点需要事实的支撑。我们在论述当中需要合理地论证你的观点。看个例子:

Claim: My team will win the state championship this year.

Evidence (What makes you think that?):

We have a great running game, a fabulous defense, and strong players.

Reasons (Why is that important?)

The last team to win the state championship had the exact same characteristics.

这个论据和支撑的理由就是相对合理的,同学们也可以借此再仔细看一下 evidence 和 reason 之间的区别。

### **SUPPORT YOUR CLAIMS**

再看两个例子:

- I don't think it's a good idea to picnic today. (claim)
   It's raining. (evidence)
- 2. I don't think it's a good idea to picnic today. (claim)

  It's raining, (evidence)

so we will get wet if we are outside. (reason)

分析:下雨是一个事实,不过它本身构不成一个 reason,只是 evidence, 只有论述下雨之后情况对于观点的影响才可以构成比较完整的论述。

### ACKNOWLEDGE ALTERNATE AND OPPOSING CLAIMS

有时候我们在写作的时候,特别是在讨论一些比较有争论的话题时是 无法忽略对立观点的,这个时候就需要去论证相对的观点为什么是不 成立的。

如: Some people say that as the world becomes increasingly dependent on digital devices, the printed book will eventually become a thing of the

past. But digital technology is still new, while the technology of the printed book has persisted for almost a thousand years. As the world becomes increasingly digital, people have also begun to long for things that they can see, touch, and enjoy in the real world—like printed books.

counterclaim (相反观点) rebuttal (反驳,反证)

### CONCLUSION

文章的结尾部分非常重要,它体现了作者对主体内容的提炼和升华的 能力,一定要注意结尾部分的书写。

比如,我们为刚刚的话题加一个结尾:

Given the fact that the printed book has survived enormous cultural changes over hundreds of years and the fact that readers today are buying more of them than before, it's clear that the printed book is here to stay.

# 议论文中的信号词

在写作类似的文章时,有一些词可以起到连接,转折,承上启下等信号词的作用。在英文当中我们把它们叫做 transitional words/phrases。在很多作文考试的训练当中,我们都要掌握一些 transitional words/phrases,他们在一定程度上确实可以帮我们将文章的结构梳理地相对清晰。

- 这些 transitional words/phrases 就像是论证当中的小地图一样。他们可以帮助作者理清思路,也可以帮助读者更清晰的认识作者的观点。
- 那么, transition words/phrases 有哪些类别呢?

#### **EVIDENCE**

These words signal that the author is connecting a piece of evidence to a piece of reasoning or a claim:

- due to 由于
- for example 比如
- for instance 比如
- specifically 具体来说
- after all (解释或说明理由)别忘了
- to illustrate 说明,阐明

### REASONS

These words signal that the author is connecting a previously mentioned piece of evidence to a claim or conclusion:

- therefore 因此
- so 所以
- because 因为
- for 因为
- thus 那么
- in other words 就是说

### **COUNTERCLAIMS**

These words signal that the author is connecting a counterclaim to previously explained concept, why he or she disagrees with a counterclaim, or how a counterclaim is connected to his or her own argument:

- one might argue 也许有人会说
- nevertheless 尽管如此
- but 但是
- otherwise 否则,不然
- however 然而
- though 虽然
- · rather 相反,反而
- yet 然而
- in contrast 相反
- on the other hand 在另一方面

### CONCLUSION

These words signal that the author is connecting all of the previous information to the final conclusion:

- as a result 结果, 因此
- hence 因此
- finally 最后,最终

- in conclusion 最后
- last 最后

### MORE TO COME

- · next 紧接着,其次
- besides 此外
- furthermore 而且, 再者
- in addition 此外
- still 还
- moreover 而且
- · likewise 同样地
- similarly 同样地
- also 还

# CHANGE AHEAD

- although 虽然
- nevertheless 尽管
- however 然而
- otherwise 否则
- yet 然而
- instead 反而

### IMPORTANT IDEAS

- above all 尤其
- most important 最关键的
- the main concern 首要问题

### ORDER OR SEQUENCE

- first 首先
- second 第二
- third 第三
- next 紧接着
- afterward 后来
- eventually 最终
- earlier 早先
- before 之前
- •now 现在
- meanwhile 同时

# 议论文范例分析

Think of an argument you want to make to your neighbors and write a clear claim for it. Outline your argument, making sure you include all five necessary elements. Then, write a short paragraph to be published as an opinion article.

#### 思路:

大型连锁商店很大程度占据了主要消费市场, 城乡当地的小生意越来 越难做。呼吁当地的邻里多支持当地的商家。

- Introduction: Big chains now cover the whole country
- Claim: It's important to shop at locally owned businesses.
- Reason/Evidence:
- 1.It builds connections between people in a community. Studies show people feel more connected with each other when they shop locally.
- 2.It strengthens the economy of our community. Economic indicators show that the community's financial strength grows when people shop locally.
- Counterclaim: Chain stores create jobs and the ability to buy new products.
- Rebuttal: Most people in the community will only spend their money in the new store not get jobs so more money will go to a distant corporation than comes into the community. Also, products from chain stores are generic they aren't as unique as locally made crafts and products.
- Reason/Evidence: It gives us a richer culture everywhere. More local businesses mean more interesting options for everyone.
- Conclusion: We should shop at locally owned businesses.

Big chain stores now cover the country, offering many of the same products in every city. But that just means it's more important than ever to shop locally to strengthen our community.

When we shop locally, we build connections between people in our community. We get to know the store owners and their stories, and they get to know ours. We run into friends and neighbors who are also shopping at local stores. Studies show that people feel more connected with each other when they shop locally.

We also strengthen our community's economic base by supporting local businesses. Some argue that if chain stores are blocked from entering a community, the community won't get those jobs. Although a chain can employ some people, the majority of people in the community will only shop at the chain. Therefore, more money will go to a distant corporation than come into the community. When we shop locally, the money we spend stays in the community, in the hands of our friends and neighbors, who often put it right back into our own community. So it's no wonder that economic indicators show that a community's financial position improves when its members shop locally.

Finally, we make the whole world a more interesting place when we shop at local businesses. It's a lot more interesting to stop to get steamed buns in Tianjin and local noodles in Yanbian than it is to eat at the same fast-food place everywhere we go. Who wants generic products from

chain stores when there are unique locally made crafts and products? The culture of the entire country is enriched when different local communities support their own special trades, crafts.

Shopping locally: It strengthens our economy, our bonds with one another, and the culture of the whole country. That just makes sense.

# 雅思议论文范文分析

#### 题目:

Many young people nowadays leave schools with negative attitude towards learning. Why does this happen? (原因) What do you think would encourage young people to have a positive attitude? (解决方案)

# 雅思范文分析

### 第一段:

A large number of young people have a negative attitude towards learning when they finish school in recent years. (claim 开头部分改写题目) A wide range of causes are responsible for this phenomenon. The root cause is excessive stress of study. (reason 题目所给事件的第一个原因) To be specific, students in school nowadays are to do a large amount of homework after school, which reduces their interest in study and even makes them tired of learning. (evidence 第一个原因的扩展,因果论证) Another trigger is that they may face unemployment after graduation.

(reason 第二个原因) Since there are far less job opportunities available, the competition for jobs becomes increasingly fierce and students are less likely to find a decent job. Inevitably, some of them may have the feeling that learning is useless. (evidence 第二个原因的扩展,同样因果论证)

### •第二段:

According to the above mentioned, various approaches should be adopted to deal with this problem. (表明本段要阐述题目中事件的解决方案) First of all, reducing study load is the most effective method. (对应上一段的第一个原因,找到第一个解决方案) For example, cutting the amount of homework will give students more leisure hours, making them find a balance between study and rest. (第一个解决方案的扩展,用举例来论证) In addition, the government should play a more positive role in creating jobs. (对应上一段的第二个原因,给出第二个解决方案) For instance, laws should be made to impel businesses to recruit students fresh out of school. This will help them build confidence in school education. (第二个解决方案的扩展,也用的是举例论证)

### 结尾段:

To sum up, this unpleasant phenomenon can be attributed to several factors, including study stress and unemployment. (总结主体第一段,原

因归总) Relevant methods should be worked out to resolve this problem before things get worse (总结主体第二段,解决方案归总)

### •总结:

这个三段式的文章结构明确,逻辑清楚,同学们在阅读的时候除了要读清楚词句的意思,也要把其中的结构和逻辑关系分析清楚。同时,文章中有非常好的关于归纳总结的好的句式,也要及时做整理,长此以往,多读多仿写多分析,你的写作能力才会稳步提高。