

PTE Writing: 90 Level Sample Essays

Completing university education is thought by some to be the best way to get a good job. On the other hand, people also say that getting experience and developing soft skills is more important.

Choose which position you most agree with and discuss why you chose that position. Support your point of view with details from your own experiences, observations or reading.

We all need to work and gaining experience and knowledge will ensure that we are useful employees or business owners. Whether you complete a degree or learn the soft skills while working is a choice we all must make. This essay will discuss why choosing university first is a better option in the long term.

University study will help set you up for a professional career with a recognised qualification. It is possible to develop an academic understanding of a career while studying as an undergraduate and then post graduate student. For example, teachers study at university to understand teaching theory and practice. Becoming a professional requires learning before a person can practice in that profession.

Working can help you build important interpersonal skills as well as give you practical and useful knowledge and experience. Learning on the job can give you enough training to master the requirements of the job. For example, airline stewards, retail workers, tradespeople, office managers, do not attend university but learn skills that enable them to work. In other words, learning the skills specific to a real job can pay off for many people.

This essay argued that gaining a university qualification can set a person up with a long-term career, while learning skills in a real job can create a career as well. In my opinion, study at university can give you the opportunity to develop critical thinking and build a career based on your interests.

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Online language learning has advantages over classroom instruction.

Choose whether you agree or disagree with this statement and discuss why you chose that position. Support your point of view with details from your own experiences, observations or reading.

Learning languages online has become more popular in recent years. The medium lends itself well to learning a language as it can offer audio, video and personalised tutoring on the one platform. This essay will argue that online language learning has several distinct advantages over classroom instruction.

Learning a language online can be very convenient and time saving. Instead of travelling to school, I am able to study at home, in an office or while travelling to work on public transport. I can timetable my own study hours, setting time aside during the day and evening for this specific purpose. In this way I am able to organise my day in a way that suits me.

Online language learning can be personalised to meet my academic level and learning needs. A course can be tailored to my level, providing me with an individualised learning program. As well, I can work with a tutor to model language and answer my many questions. In this way a whole course can be organised to improve my language skills and help me meet my learning goals.

This essay has argued that online language learning has distinct advantages over classroom teaching in that it allows me to study where and when I want while being tailored to meet my individual learning needs. In my opinion an online course will help me meet my goals and desired outcomes.

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Studying at a good overseas university is better than studying at a university in your own country.

Choose whether you agree or disagree with this statement and discuss why you chose that position. Support your point of view with details from your own experiences, observations or reading.

Studying at university is an option for many people, but the question is where. Sometimes studying at an overseas university seems a better option than taking the same course at a home university. This essay will argue that while studying overseas may be problematic, it is the best option for many.

Experiencing an overseas university requires the ability to survive a new culture and language. By successfully negotiating the challenges of life in a new country a student can mature and grow. For example, gaining a qualification also requires the ability to develop social skills, living skills and sometimes supporting ourselves by working. These challenges all benefit the student who studies overseas.

Studying at home can be less expensive than studying overseas while receiving the same qualification. University fees are generally cheaper at home than for international students. For example, international student fees can sometimes run into the tens of thousands of dollars, whereas a similar university course in a hometown can be significantly less expensive. The cost of education and living expenses is a big consideration when deciding which university is best.

This essay has argued that an overseas university can provide life-changing experiences but can also be a very expensive way to be educated. In my opinion, the long-term benefits of studying at an overseas university outweigh the financial outlay.

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Some people think that it would be better for large companies and industry to move to regional areas outside large urban centres. Others believe that companies and industries should remain in more urban areas.

Choose which position you most agree with and discuss why you chose that position. Support your point of view with details from your own experiences, observations or reading.

Cities are growing and so are regional centres due to expanding populations and the need for places for people to work and live. Some people think that companies and industries should move to regional centres while others think that they should remain in the cities. I believe that the best idea is for regional areas to be developed and that companies and industries should move out of the cities.

A move by companies and industries to regional areas will take some of the working city population with them. This has the advantage of relieving city overcrowding and the pressure on the infrastructure that is already stressed. For example, taking manufacturing plants to regional areas creates work and encourages families to live and work in these centres. In my mind, relieving the crowding in cities is a sensible and practical solution to many urban issues.

To reduce pollution and keep cities cleaner and healthier it is a good idea to encourage companies to move and operate in regional areas. Traditionally, many industries and companies set up business headquarters in the city, but as time has changed the need to be city based has diminished. For example, car-manufacturing plants no longer need to be based in urban areas, and are able to relocate to well supported regional areas taking with them associated pollution problems. For a healthier city it is good that industry and companies move outside of the city.

This essay has argued that moving companies and industry to regional areas may be practical and create healthier cities. In my opinion, relocating companies to these developing regional areas will benefit those who work for these businesses and the cities that they leave behind.

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Cheating and lying are sometimes acceptable.

Choose whether you agree or disagree with this statement and discuss why you chose that position. Support your point of view with details from your own experiences, observations or reading.

Cheating and lying seem to pervade all levels of society, from the playground to international politics. Many people find all forms of deceit unacceptable while others are the perpetrators of this deceit. This essay will argue that there are several reasons why cheating and lying is unacceptable in all situations.

Cheating and lying can result in the breakdown of trust between friends, family members, and business partners. Trust is the basis of all relationships, personal and business. For example, promises that are not kept can result in long term difficulties in reliability, predictability, certainty and closing deals made between people. This can have negative long term consequences for all parties involved. Everyone has the right to know the truth. Deceiving people can cause false hope. Even in the case of a person experiencing a terminal illness, it is appropriate that the truth be understood, and deception avoided. The right to be told the truth as it is understood is fundamental to human health and well being.

This essay has argued that cheating and lying is never acceptable because it breaks down trust which is the basis of healthy relationships, even in the face of terminal illness. I maintain that in matters of human communication and relationship building, the absence of cheating and lying is best adhered to in order to build confidence and long term partnerships.

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