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## Traditional Template for the Integrated Writing

This is a simple template for the first writing task. This is the best place to start if you have just started studying for the TOEFL and need to build your confidence.

Even though this template is simple, there are students who have used it in the past to earn a perfect score in the writing section.

The article introduces the topic of (*general topic*). More specifically, the writer discusses (*stance of the author on the topic*). The lecturer in the listening passage disagrees. He believes that (*stance of the professor on the topic*) and attacks each of the claims made in the reading.

In the reading, the author begins by stating that (*first point made to support stance*). The lecturer, however, disagrees. He states that (*first counterargument by the professor*). He goes on to say that (*additional details about first counterargument*).

The author also claims that (second point made to support stance). Again, the lecturer believes there are flaws in the writer's argument. The speaker holds that (two sentences about the professor's second counter-argument).

Another reason why the author feels that (restate stance of author) is that (third point made to support stance). The professor in the listening passage is doubtful that this is accurate. He suggests that (two sentences about the professor's third counter-argument).

To sum up, both the writer and professor hold conflicting views about *(general topic)*. It's clear that they will have trouble finding common ground on this issue.







## Traditional Template for the Independent Writing

This is a simple template for the second writing task. It is sometimes referred to as the independent writing. This is the best place to start if you have just started studying for the TOEFL and need to build your confidence.

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There is no shortage of opinion on (*paraphrase the question topic*). In my opinion, (*your stance on the topic*). I feel this way for two main reasons, which I will explore in the following paragraphs.

First of all, (first reason for your opinion). (1-3 sentences further explaining your first reason). My personal experience is a great example of this (3-5 sentences describing a personal example to support your reason). As a result, (effect of your personal example). For this reason, (concluding sentence that connects your personal example back to your stance on the topic).

Secondly, (second reason for your opinion) (1-3 sentences further explaining your first reason). Drawing from my own experience, (3-5 sentences describing a personal example to support your reason). Moreover, (additional detail of your personal example). It's certainly clear to see why (concluding sentence that connects your personal example back to your stance on the topic).

In conclusion, (*restate your stance on the topic*). This is because (*restate the two reasons for your opinion*).





