

Writing Paragraphs

(The work sheet)

Question n 01: In Pair groups , Read the following paragraph and complete the table below :

Unemployment is major problem which many countries are facing . First of all ,a person needs to be employed in order to satisfy his needs. He needs to work and to improve himself in the society . Also he has a big responsibilities more than ever . Because a person who has the capacity to work but refuses or fails to obtain work, can be referred to as unemployed . For example , most urban unemployment in developing countries like India takes the form of underemployment , in which the people are obliged to undertake any available economic activity , however , poorly paid and unproductive . In addition , this condition occurs mainly because there are no social safety nets , and no alternatives in the form of unemployment insurance or job training for formal sector work in these countries . Furthermore , finding employment in urban setting can be extremely challenging , and whenever possible , networks of relatives and friends are used to help seek jobs . millions of people are unemployed or underemployed and this issue is rating very dramatically these days . All in all , unemployment can very serious widespread phenomenon that needs to be solved .

Topic : Unemployment

Topic sentence : Unemployment is major problem which many countries are facing .

- 1-** A person needs to be employed to satisfy his needs
 - a-** He needs to work and improve himself in the society
 - b-** he has a big responsibilities more than ever
- 2-** Finding employment in urban setting can be extremely challenging
 - a-** networks of relatives and friends are used to help seek jobs
 - b-** Millions of people are underemployed and it is rating fast

concluding sentence : All in all, unemployment can be very serious

Question n 02 : Read the following two paragraphs , and answer the questions :

Ever since I got a part time job after University , I've had trouble managing my time . By the time I get home from work , I don't have much time to do my study work . I have to rush through my homework , and my assignments are always late . My social life is also suffering . I never seem to have enough time to be with my friends because I'm too busy working . Some of my friends have even stopped inviting me to go out with them . Worst of all , my demanding job leaves me little time for myself . I don't have time to do the things I really enjoy like reading magazines , taking pictures , and watching movies . Since I have so little time for studying , my grades are falling . Although I need the extra money I make . My job is really eating into my time .

My roommate and I are not very compatible . For one thing , we have different sleeping habits . He likes to stay up late watching TV or listening to music , but I prefer to go to bed early . In addition , he is a very neat person . He likes the room neat and clean all the times ; on the other hand , I am very messy . I never hang up my clothes , and I always have books and papers scattered all over the room . Finally , while my roommate is a very social person , I am quite private . He likes to have his friends in our room and wants our room to be the party place . Luckily , we both like the same kind of music . On the other hand , I need my privacy and think of my room as my own quite space where I can be by myself .

1- Is there a clear topic sentence in both paragraphs ?

Yes , both have topic sentences : and we mention them .

2- Do all the sentences support the topic sentence ? Justify ?

Yes they support the topic sentence because each supporting sentence is explaining the topic sentence in a detailed way and giving an example with each supporting sentence to clarify more .

3- Is there enough information to support the topic ?

Yes , there are two or three supporting sentences and with each supporting sentence there is an example to explain the points mentioned in every topic sentence .

4- Are the sentences organized in a logical order ? how ?

Yes , they are organized in logical order because we are moving from one point to another using transitional signals , so the ideas are making sense .

5- Are there transition words to guide the reader from one idea to the next ?

Yes , there are different transitional signals that guides the reader from one point to another and here are some : and we mention them .

Question n 03 : Read this paragraph and discuss these questions :

My life now and my life five years ago are similar , but there are also some major differences . Five years ago , I was living in Havre and going to College . I didn't have to work because my parents supported me . I went to study every day and spent time with my friends . I babysat my nieces every day after going back from my University because both of my parents were working at that time . I had the responsibility of feeling them and making sure nothing happened to them while I was watching them . I didn't really have any major goals five years ago . On the other hand , now I live in Great falls and I'm not in University anymore . I have to work now in order to support my self . I only work twenty hours a week because it's a part time job right now . I have a lot more responsibility now than I did five years ago . I have to take responsibility for myself now and everything I do . I have a lot of major goals now . For instance , I want to have a respectful job in an economic company and travel to different places to see the world . After that , I want to come back and open a successful project that suits me . I have a lot of things that I want to accomplish now . Five years ago , I really wasn't going anywhere with my life , but now I'm starting to get my life in order and deciding what I want to do . In addition , I am still living at home with my parents and I still baby sit my nieces every once in a while . I find time to spend with my family and friends . I still have some of the same responsibilities . To conclude , I like my life now and forever .

1- What type of method is used in this paragraph ? try to illustrate with examples .

The method is : Compare and contrast method .

Examples : Five years ago , I was living in Havre and going to college

Now , I live in Great falls and I'm not in University .

2- What is the topic sentence of this paragraph ? try to give another one of your own .

The topic sentence : My life now and my life five years ago are similar , but there are also major difference .

Another topic sentence : There are several similarities and differences between my life now and my life five years ago .

3- Is the transitional signals used in this paragraph ? if yes , mention some of them .

Yes , there are , such as : First of all , in addition , after that , for instance , on the other hand .

4- What does the writer compare in this paragraph ?

He tried to compare and contrast the life of the college student five years ago and now to see the similarities and differences and see the changes that happened .

- 5- Try orally to compare between two things using your own words mentioning their similarities and differences ?

Question n 04 : Compare and contrast between Economic development and economic growth (home work) .

Question 05 : Read the following paragraph from a newspaper , then answer the following questions :

Corruption is a very bad thing . First of all , it inhibits individual growth as well as the growth and development of society and the country . In addition , it is social evil that plays the human body and mind socially , economically and intellectually . It is rooted so deeply because of the growing human greed for money , power and position . Furthermore , corruption is the abuse of authority , public position , natural or public resources , power ,etc . By someone to obtain one's personal gratifications . For instance , According to sources , it has been identified that India ranks three in highly corrupt countries . Furthermore , it is widespread in the public service , politics , business and illegal areas other . Politicians are highly responsible for any type of corruption in any country and we have chosen our leaders with a lot of expectations to lead our country in the right direction . In the beginning they make many promises to us , however , just after the vote , they forget about all this and get involved in the corruption . We are sure that our country would be free from corruption one day when our political leaders would be free of greed and use their power , money , status and position in the right direction to lead the country , not their own luxury and personal wishes .To conclude , The rising level of corruption must take heavy measures to take control of it .

- 1- In which sentences do you find the causes in this paragraph ?

We find them in sentence number four : the growing of human greed for money , power and position , the abuse of authority , public position , natural or public resources , power ..

- 2- In which sentence do you find the effects ?

In sentence number 2 : inhibits individual growth , the growth and development of society and the country , plays the human body and mind socially , economically and intellectually .

- 3- What is the function of sentence 2 ?

The function : is the first supporting sentence .

- 4- The last sentence neither states a cause nor an effect . what is its function ?

The function : is the concluding sentence .

Question 06 : Write a paragraph containing all elements of a coherent paragraph answering these questions : (pair work)

- ❖ Choose any paragraph in an article
- ❖ Tell what it is about
- ❖ Analyse it (read it)
- ❖ What are the main ideas of this article ? explain them briefly
- ❖ Give your comments / ideas .

Question 07 : Complete the following paragraph using your own words in which you classify learners according to their characteristics :

Start like this :

University learners can be grouped into active and passive learners . Active learners are more involved in their pursuit for academic excellence . For instance , they attend lectures daily , read books in the library for several hours , being involved in extra-curricular activities , have group studies to find out what information from other students , do what is necessary to get a highly valuable scholarship or take part in debate team . Whereas , passive learners usually low-motivated and not encouraged to contribute to class discussions by voicing their opinions and supporting their answers . All they do is to answer the question and do classroom assignment . They usually indifferent to all activities and information provided by lectures . In contrast , active learners take an active part in discussion and problem-based tasks , and they are more curious and inquisitive . As a conclusion , active learners have personalities and they like rushing things , hate delays and like being perfectionists ; Whereas , passive learners have personalities and relax , chill with no sense of urgency

Question 08 : Analyse this argumental paragraph and explain the process we follow in argument paragraphs :

The labor market entails the relations between the demand for labor, in one hand, and labor supply, on the other hand. Labor demand is defined by the amount of labor firms demand in order to produce certain amount of goods and services. Labor supply refers to the productive segment of the population that is determined by the size of the population. Within the labor market, workers can be classified as

either economically active (the employed and the unemployed) or economically inactive. The employed encompasses people in paid employment or in self employment while the unemployed refers to people who are not working but have actively been looking for job and are willing to start work immediately...

Failure of U.S. labor market to distribute gains: a cause of poverty The issue of poverty in the United States is complex, and no one root cause is sufficient to explain why, in a wealthy developed nation, such poverty should exist. However, a principal factor which may contribute to the nation's poverty lies in problems with the U.S. labor market. According to Freeman, while the U.S. has witnessed a "substantial growth in GDP per capita" (20), only a relatively small portion of the population, the wealthiest Americans, has seen the benefits of that rise in GDP....

In contrast , There is less wage differences within the same profession. However, workers in low profit companies became unemployed because the company is not capable to deal with higher cost which in turn put pressure to labor market. In order to reduce unemployment, the state must intervene labor market so Active labor market policy was imposed according to mobility stimulus. The state helped moving labor to flexible labor market which fit individual's labor skill. This can be achieved by retaining or re-education of redundant labor....

The first paragraph shows : it states the position , then uses a transition sentence to lead to the opposition's argument point .

The second paragraph shows : it summarizes what they believe the opponents will claim .

The third paragraph shows: it uses a brief transition " in contrast" to show the shift back to the opposing argument . it states the response to the opposing argument .