

## ☑ Organizing your essay

PLAN		For and against essay
Introduction	paragraph 1	⇒ introduce the topic to be discussed ⇒ refer to controversial aspects
Main body	paragraph 2	⇒ arguments for & justifications ⇒ with reasons/examples/results
	paragraph 3	⇒ arguments against & justifications ⇒ with reasons/examples/results
Conclusion	paragraph 4	⇒ give balanced consideration of topic ⇒ state your opinion directly or indirectly

## ☑ Useful language → linking words/phrases

introducing the topic	over the past decade, this raises the issue of whether, nowadays more and more, Nowadays, we are all realising that ..., It is often said/argued that
introducing advantages	the main advantage is... / one of the most significant advantages / people in favor of ... claim that / I could not agree that ... a major asset is
introducing disadvantages	there are a number of opposing reasons why ... / One of the main risks of ... / Another objection is that ... / Another negative aspect of ...
presenting arguments for	One justification often given is that / Advocates of the issue would claim that / According to proponents of the issue
presenting arguments against	Those who object to ... argue that / Those who oppose to ... claim that ... on the grounds that ... / Notwithstanding the ...
listing viewpoints	first, first of all, secondly, moreover, in addition, also, additionally, besides, apart from that, as well as
justifying	due to this fact, this may result in
expressing reasons	for this reason, that's why, as a matter of fact, owing to, because of
giving examples	for instance, for example, since, as, such as,
expressing results/consequences	therefore, in this case, this means that
expressing opposing viewpoints/showing contrast	nevertheless, nonetheless, although, even though, in spite of, despite, however
concluding	The obvious conclusion to be drawn is that, on balance it appears, all in all it seems to me that, we must bear in mind that on the whole, taking everything into account