

PTE Academic Essay Template

PAGE 1 / FOUR-PARAGRAPH PLANNING FRAME

20 minutes | Official range: 200-300 words | Practice target: 220-280 words

For opinion and discussion prompts. Replace every bracket with your own ideas. For other prompt types, adapt the paragraph jobs to answer every part of the question.

1. Introduction | 40-55 words

The question of [topic] has become increasingly relevant. While some people believe [view A], others argue that [view B]. I support [your position] because [reason 1] and [reason 2] have a stronger effect on [people, society or the economy].

2. Body paragraph 1 | 65-80 words

The main reason for this position is [reason 1]. This matters because [explain the cause or benefit]. For example, [a realistic example]. This shows that [connect the example to the prompt]. As a result, [short link back to your position] becomes more convincing.

3. Body paragraph 2 | 65-80 words

A further consideration is [reason 2 or a limitation]. In practice, [explain what happens and why]. For instance, [a second relevant example]. Although [brief counterpoint, if useful], [your response to it]. Therefore, [explain how this supports or qualifies your position].

4. Conclusion | 30-45 words

In conclusion, [repeat your position in fresh words]. The strongest reasons are [reason 1] and [reason 2]. If these factors are considered, [final implication for the topic].

Plan before you write

Position: _____ Reason 1: _____
Reason 2: _____ Examples: _____

Final check

Answer every part of the prompt; explain two distinct ideas; use relevant examples; check 200-300 words; review grammar, punctuation and consistent spelling.

The word split is a planning guide. The completed response must stay within the total range. This resource is not an official Pearson answer or a score guarantee.

Academic Sentence Bank

PAGE 2 / SELECT, COMPLETE AND ADAPT

Use a few patterns that fit your argument. Complete each sentence with specific content; avoid memorizing an entire essay or inventing research evidence.

Topic Introductions

- It is commonly accepted that...
- In recent years, there has been significant focus on...
- There is ongoing debate concerning whether...

Position Stances

- From my point of view,...
- This paper argues that...
- I am strongly of the opinion that...

Argument Expansion

- A major factor is that...
- This can be explained by the fact that...
- One significant benefit is...

Example Signals

- For example,...
- A relevant case can be seen in...
- This is evident in the instance of...

Closing Statements

- Considering these factors,...
- Overall, the evidence implies...
- For these reasons, it is reasonable to deduce...

Concession and qualification

- Although [counterpoint], [your response].
- This approach is useful provided that [condition].
- However, [limitation] should also be considered.

One pattern in context

One significant benefit is greater access to education. For example, students in remote areas can attend online classes without travelling to a campus.

Before using a phrase

Check that it fits the meaning and grammar of your sentence. Use evidence language only when you have explained the evidence. Prefer clear, accurate wording over unnecessary complexity.