### Introduction Paragraph

1st Sentence for all types of IELTS Writing Task 2 Essays when paraphrasing the TOPIC:

| Today, Nowadays, These days, | [it is (clear/evident/undeniable/true) that] [there is no doubt that] | NP CL + and this | is becoming | an increasingly serious problem. increasingly (popular/common). a trend. more and more (popular/common). an important part of our daily lives. an issue that many people feel strongly about. a growing cause for concern for many people. | very common | a very common practice | in the lives of many people. in our daily lives. in many countries. | more and more people are Ving. it is becoming more and more common for + NP + to + V (base)… NP + V (present simple/present continuous) … | it is a common sight to see + NP + Ving. it is common for + NP + to + V (base)… one of the major problems facing the modern world is the issue of + NP. many people (prefer/tend/choose) to + V (base) (+ instead of + Ving). many people prefer + NP to + NP. the issue of + NP (or + whether + CL) + is one which needs to be looked at carefully. | the fact that + CL | is a growing cause for concern (for many people). is one of the major problems facing this modern world. is an issue which needs to be looked at carefully. |

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NP = Noun Phrase (e.g. “The government”, “Playing tennis”)
CL = Clause (i.e. Subject + Verb) (e.g. “People eat a lot of fatty food”)
Vinf = Base Verb (e.g. play)
Ving = V-ing (e.g. playing)
Bonus (2\textsuperscript{nd} Sentence Template for Advantages and Disadvantages and Causes and Solutions Essay)

Advantages and Disadvantages Essay 2\textsuperscript{nd} Sentence Template (addressing the question):

- While (NP/this/doing this) (has/offers) a few advantages, there are also some disadvantages which are worth considering.

(Taken from IELTS University class materials)

Causes and Solutions Essay 2\textsuperscript{nd} Sentence Template (addressing the question):

- There are (several/various/a variety of/a number of) (causes of this/causes for this/reasons why + CL), but (certain/several) (measures/steps) could be taken to [(address/tackle/mitigate/ alleviate) this problem/improve this situation].

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<td>Museums and historical sites are mainly visited by tourists, not the local people. Why is this so? What could be done to encourage more local visitors? (14th Jan) (AC)</td>
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<td>Most people in society enjoy watching crime movies and TV programmes. Why do you think this is so? What is the impact of this trend on society? (9th Jan) (GT)</td>
<td>Nowadays, it is undeniable that crime movies and TV programmes are enjoyed by many in society.</td>
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<td>In many countries, the development of large supermarkets has result in the closure of many small local businesses. Are there more advantages or disadvantages to this trend? (23rd Jan) (GT)</td>
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<td>In some cities, the government has tried to tax the owners of vehicles in order to reduce traffic congestion. Do the advantages of this policy outweigh the disadvantages? (30th Jan) (AC)</td>
<td>Today, the policy of taxing the owners of vehicles so as to decrease the number of traffic jam is becoming very common in many countries.</td>
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<td>More and more people use the internet for tasks such as paying their bills, shopping and banking. Do you think the advantages of this trend outweigh the disadvantages? (30th Jan) (AC)</td>
<td>Nowadays, there is no doubt that it is becoming more and more common for people to use the internet for various important tasks in life like shopping and paying the bills.</td>
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Lastly, I believe a teacher is only as good as the results he or she produces. On the next few pages are a selection of testimonials from students who passed their IELTS exam:
Good evening Jonathan,

I hope this email finds you well.

As promised, this email serves to update you on my IELTS scores and as a testimonial. My last class with you was on the last weekend of February and I booked my exam with the British Council for the first weekend of April.

Results

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You’re an excellent instructor and your 4 classroom sessions are 16 hours of intense instruction which focuses on the techniques required to ace the IELTS exams. The voluminous notes helped with the continuity of your instructions outside of class and the exercises you supplied to us to practice ahead of the exams were priceless.

Thank you Jonathan!

Sincerely,

Ashton
Winston failed to get 8.0 for his IELTS Writing for 8 times before attending my Writing Classes. After just 2 of my Writing Classes, he achieved his 8.0 finally!

Hi Jonathan. I’ve finally scored 8 for writing. This is great news!

Ya, that’s great news! How many times have you tried before this and failed to get 8.0?

This is 9th time

Wow, that’s great :) Happy for you!

And thanks to your class. Very good!!

I’m glad you got your 8 finally after my writing classes. You can apply for your PR now?

Yes

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Hi Natalia what was your target score?

6.5 minimum, that is what I need to my master!!!

My writing score in the last test was 4.5

And my reading 5.5

So I really improved

Thanks a lot

Congratulations, you really improved a lot in those areas - especially Writing. A 1.5 improvement is a huge improvement :)

Yes, I know!!! I am so happy
Dear Jonathan,

I am writing to inform you that I have achieved my goal, I scored writing 7.0 speaking 7.0 and reading 8.5 and listening 9.0 in IELTS general training.

Over the past two years, I have sat for IELTS at least 15 times. I scored 7.0 or above for speaking, reading, and listening. However, for writing module I never scored more than 7.0 but 6.5 every time. I have attended at least 3 IELTS workshops and classes.

I came across Jonathan’s class on Google while I was looking for IELTS class. I was persuaded by his testimonials and 4 steps to writing videos. I had 2 writing classes with Jonathan, the classes were intense. We were given a lot of study material and videos to study at our own pace. I never get videos from other workshops and classes. Jonathan has developed his own technique and strategy to succeed in IELTS such as

After attending Jonathan’s classes, I realized how important grammar and word pattern is, I have been using incorrect grammar and word pattern. Another mistake I had been making was I wrote my essay with only one style, but there are 7 types of essays in IELTS. Jonathan’s technique help me to write between 250 and 300 words in essay, I was writing too much in my essay and I found it difficult to complete essay in 40 minutes. There are much more I learnt from Jonathan’s classes.

Jonathan, thank you so much. You have made IELTS and English interesting again. Jonathan’s class is the cheapest I found on the market and the best I have experienced. If you want to achieve your IELTS goal, Jonathan is your answer.

Best regards,
Marwandi
Hi Sir Jonathan!
I am very glad to inform you that I've got an overall Band Score of 6.5 from last May 19 IELTS exam. Listening 6.5, Writing 6.5, Reading 6.5, Speaking 7.0.

I did not expect to get a score higher than 6 because my anxiety level on the exam day is very high and I did not have enough rest due to my work sched. On first part (listening) I did not even catch some questions. Good thing I follow your advice not to worry if this happen and just focus especially on section 2 and 3 for it has higher value on the exam. In writing part, I noticed that the techniques you taught us is very effective as well. I was able to reach a minimum 250 words without much difficulty and surprisingly faster than I had expected. I do the 2nd part of writing first since you said it gives higher score. In reading part, I made used of your techniques also and I finish this part of exam 20 minutes earlier. It gives me extra time to review my answer. Thanks to your extra advice and very detailed techniques, I am able get higher than 6 even though I am not on my best state for the exam that day.
I also follow your advice to take the speaking test on separate day and I'm glad I did. As shown in the test result, I actually do better on that day cuz I'm more relax and mostly because of your help as well. I especially remember you telling us to...

What I am trying to say is that I really consider you as one of the best mentor I ever had, like that past college prof. of mine. Thank You Very Much Sir !!! May you and your students will have greater success in the future.

P.S. please ignore my wrong grammar and sentence construction in this email, I'm just so ecstatic/.excited right now to worry about it. 😊

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android
Hi Jonathan :) I got overall 6.5 and 7.5 for speaking!!

Yeah it's all yr thanks👍👍👍👍

Yeah I am happy hahaha

Thanks so much for yr REAL IELTS class👍

I wasted so much time and money in other school and tuition

Finally I met you and got 6.5 😊👍

I had tuition many times with

And I went to in

All useless

Honestly

They can teach IELTS but you are much more straight forward👍

That was what I want

You went straight to the point, practical and skillful but they just wasted my time because they have no techniques.

I agree with you IELTS is not testing general english. I think my other teachers don't know what is IELTS well 😕 You are the only one in SG

Thanks so much!!!👍😊

Oh I forgot to mention I was a student as well

But I don't think that helped me
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