

Essay Topics from TASK 2 Questions 2021

- Reviewing these topics will allow you to learn the different question topics from this year.
- If you are unfamiliar with a topic, then look up the question on this topic and outline it.
- Research the different topics and gather background information.
- This is important, because questions and question topics can appear in different regions. For example, a question given in Nigeria, may appear in Thailand 4 months later.
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1. Art and the Arts

- **importance of the arts for society**
- supporting the arts – government funding
- theatre and live events
- freedom of speech and freedom of expression
- children learning art
- **museums and galleries** – importance

2. Business and Consumerism

- local business vs international businesses
- supporting local businesses – buying local produce
- business skills – important skills / learning skills
- **family run businesses**
- buying goods or saving money
- the power of advertising in business
- shopping online
- **businesses supporting local communities**

3. Communication

- how online communication has changed our lives
- are people becoming more isolated because of only meeting online
- face to face or online communication
- **pros and cons of meeting people online**
- has the internet brought people closer or not

4. Crime & Punishment

- how to stop criminals re-offending
- fixed punishment for one crime or not
- children – should parents be punished for their children's crime
- prison or rehabilitation

5. Culture

- foreign cultures – learning through language, learning by travel, adapting to another culture
- music – importance of music, international music
- fashion – following trends and spending money
- films – should historical films be accurate, learning about culture from films, foreign films, subtitles
- **how online media has changed local cultures**

6. Environment

- global warming
- solving pollution – internationally or domestically
- major problems and solutions
- **importance of nature for our well being**
- responsibility for problems – government or individual
- urban nature
- protecting wild species / endangered species – funding, reasons,
- why people don't change their life styles to help environmental problems
- **air / noise pollution in cities**

7. Education

- putting children into groups based on age or ability
- **importance of children reading books** (types of books)
- science or art / sciences or music
- how children learn
- **schools providing meals for children**
- making lessons more interesting
- importance of science / history / technology in schools
- **disadvantages for children from poorer backgrounds**
- how to improve education in rural areas
- what age to learn a foreign language
- **exams or on-going assessment / project work**
- university education – costs, funding, courses
- home schooling / **studying from home**
- **online education**
- extra curricular activities

8. Family

- single parent families
- importance of family for old people
- roles of grandparents
- **supporting vulnerable members of the family: elderly, sick**
- peer pressure for children
- **children growing up in city or countryside**
- children with both parents working

9. Food

- childhood obesity – reasons, solutions
- healthy diet
- vegetarianism
- **junk food – problems, solutions**
- snacking

10. Health

- **funding – prevention or cure**
- taking care of sick people – government or family
- funding – health care or other society problems
- good health – exercise or diet
- free health care for everyone
- **cosmetic surgery – reasons, value**
- **mental health – stress, positive mindset, meditation**

11. Housing

- lack of housing – building in cities or rural areas
- **using space in cities for housing or parks**
- funding affordable housing or other problems in society
- **living in flats – pros and cons**

12. Leisure & Free Time

- **importance of hobbies / free time**
- leisure time – importance, activities,
- **spending time with family and friends**

13. People

- leadership – innate or learned
- **talent – innate or learned**
- ambition – pros and cons
- **important character traits**
- **famous world leaders – skills and traits**

14. Society

- family, society or government – taking care of the elderly
- the generation gap
- city living – positive or negative
- people moving to cities – reasons, problems, solution
- **spending money on weddings – pros and cons**
- respecting older people
- **traditions – food, clothing, festivals**
- protecting old buildings
- **isolation among people in society**
- supporting vulnerable people in society – government or community
- roles models in society for children
- ideal society
- **online media stars**
- reality TV stars
- importance of charities and charity work
- **importance of green spaces and urban environment**

15. Space

- exploration – funding, importance
- communicating with other planets
- space travel for common people

16. Sport

- **international sporting event – importance**
- business sponsoring sporting events – pros and cons
- exercising and health
- children and sport – importance, who is responsible
- indoor sports

17. Technology

- **smart phones – pros and cons, functions, limitations**
- the internet – pros and cons
- **online security (also for children)**
- the future of the internet
- **e-books – pros and cons, libraries**
- children spending too much time online

18. Tourism & Travel

- plane travel vs train travel
- cars in city centres – pros and cons
- **using bicycles rather than cars**
- **walking – pros and cons**
- pros and cons of tourism for rural communities
- tourism and economy

19. Work

- working mothers
- doing volunteer work / charity work
- **work / life balance**
- working long hours – pros and cons
- experience or education or skills
- **four day working week**
- importance of promotion, salary, job satisfaction
- **working online – pros and cons**
- earning large salaries – films stars, sports people doctors etc

20. World Issues

- **richer countries should help poorer countries**
- **types of international aid**
- increasing number of old people
- **gap between rich and poor countries**
- violence on TV
- **tackling world issues domestically or internationally**
- **news online** – reliability of news, sources of news, fake news
- **globalisation**
 - work
 - people becoming similar
 - loss of culture (protecting traditions)
 - loss of local language (protecting language)
 - one language