Advantages / Disadvantages Essay (For and Against)

Example topic.
Most parents send their children to school but some choose to teach them at home. Is this a good or a bad thing for the children? Discuss.

PLAN

Introduction: Restate the topic using your own words. Say there are both advantages and disadvantages

Par. 2: Advantages

Par. 3: Disadvantages

Conclusion: Say your opinion, restating why (without repeating phrases or words as much as possible.)

USEFUL VOCABULARY

Introduction: Some people choose .... which others .... / There are valid opinions on both sides which I will consider now or It is a controversial issue whether parents should... or / There are strong views on both sides which I will discuss now or Not everybody agrees whether children should.... / or ... There are arguments on both sides of this debate which I will consider now

Par. 2 On the one hand,...
In addition,...
Finally,...

Par. 3 On the other hand,...
Furthermore,...
Lastly,...

Conclusion: Overall I feel that,...
In conclusion, my own feeling is that...
Overall I tend to agree that it is wiser to...
IDEAS

**Introduction:** Some parents choose to teach their children at home. Both advantages and disadvantages.

**Par. 2.** Students do not have to wake up so early / Spend more time with their parents/ Attention given to the subjects they like more or have more difficulty in

**Par. 3** Parents may not know enough to teach / when you go to school you make friends / Boring to be home all the time

**Conclusion:** Better to go to school. Better education, more interesting, more friends.

**Advantages / Disadvantages (For and Against) Essay Topics**

1. A growing number of teens choose to find a job rather than continue their studies at University or College. What advantages and disadvantages can this decision have on the life of teenage boys and girls?

2. Nowadays, a lot of teenagers choose to study abroad? What are the advantages and disadvantages of studying in another country?

3. Some people feel that sport is an important part of school life for children, while others feel it should be purely optional. Discuss.

4. Some people feel it is always wrong to keep animals in zoos. Other people say that there are benefits for both people and animals. Discuss both sides of this debate and give your personal opinion.

5. What is more important when looking for a job, the money and the status that comes with it or job satisfaction? Discuss

6. Life for teenagers is much easier today than it used to be. Discuss giving your own opinion.