

Exercise 2

Read the advice below. Decide if the following extracts from students answers would be relevant to include in an essay about the advantages and disadvantages of public healthcare. Choose Yes or No.

Part 2 essay questions always ask you to “Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your knowledge or experience”. The key word here is relevant. Make sure the reasons or examples that you give correspond to the question you have been asked, not just the topic of the question.

1. My grandmother stayed in a hospital when she was ill a few years ago. She said the doctors were very friendly and the service was excellent.
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
2. It was recently reported that some private hospitals they will only treat you after they get your payment details. In other words, these health companies place profits above human lives.
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
3. Generally speaking, private hospitals tend to attract better doctors and nurses who provide a higher standard of care, because they tend to pay better than public hospitals.
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
4. Historically, before government-provided healthcare, diseases were much more commonplace in society.
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
5. In my experience, nurses in public hospitals are much friendlier than those in private ones.
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No

6. There used to be a free public hospital near where I live but now it is in the centre of my city, so I need to drive there.
- ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
7. A friend of mine is seriously ill and needs continuous long term treatment, something which his family would not be able to afford if they had to pay for private healthcare.
- ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
8. I have a friend who is a nurse for a private hospital and she tells me that her job is very demanding.
- ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No