

Writing Task: An Opinion Essay

Write an **opinion essay about shopping in malls**. Use the following plan and the tip box for help.

- Par1 Introduce the topic
Give your opinion clearly
- Par2 Give the first point.
Support it with explanation,
example and result
- First of all, shopping in a mall is...
In other words...For instance...As a result...
- Par3 Give the second point.
Support it with explanation,
example and result
- In addition, when you shop in a mall...
What I mean is that... For example...
In this way...
- Par4 Give your opinion again
using different words (paraphrase)

When we write an **opinion essay** we give two main points or reasons that support our opinion. These two points will be supported in two paragraphs.

We start each paragraph with a topic sentence, a sentence that clearly states our opinion, and then we support it with an explanation (what I mean is...), an example (for instance...) and a result (in this way...).

Shopping in local shops is very convenient. What I mean is that these shops are easily accessible. For example people can go on foot or by means of public transport. So, everyone has the opportunity to visit the shops and buy what they need as often as they like.