

# OPINION ESSAYS

Rich developed countries are the most irresponsible. Give your opinion.

**FIRST PARAGRAPH:** you should explain facts of on the subject and give your opinion.

**Express opinion:** As far as I'm concerned      as I see it      I totally/strongly (agree/ disagree) with ....  
It seems to me that      From my point of view      I honestly think that...      I believe / think

**BOLD** can be used with any topic

As far as I'm concerned I honestly think that rich developed countries are very irresponsible. As I see it, developed countries do not do enough to protect the planet. It seems to me that we should all be more careful with our planet.

**SECOND PARAGRAPH:** write a paragraph for each reasoning which should include at least two. These reasonings should include examples and facts which are convincing.

**To give reasons:** My main reason is.....      One reason for.... is...      Many people say / consider that....  
**Express facts:** It is a well known fact that....      Research has shown that....      It is clear that  
I also believe that      Moreover, Furthermore,

AGREE

As I see it, and although I assume that there would be lots of people who do not think the way I do, in my mind's eye, there is no doubt about the fact that rich developed countries do not look after the environment. The main evidence which can support this belief is the high levels of contamination which surrounds us.

relatives

DISAGREE

I strongly believe that many people make a mistake when stating that rich developed countries are the most irresponsible, because you can never be sure one hundred percent as each case is different. Moreover, it seems to me that recent research can't support this belief.

passive

**THIRD PARAGRAPH:** always try to have more than one reason.

It is a well known fact that developed countries have more industries and therefore produce more contamination. Researchers say that this is the result of consumerism.

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**CONCLUSION:** summarize your opinions with different words. Here you could include a conditional sentence.

All in all,      On the whole it is clear that....      To sum up....      In order to finish

On the whole it is clear that this issue is controversial and each person has differing opinions. Nevertheless, if it depended on me, I would definitely support / reject this posture.

conditional