

An Opinion Essay

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How to structure your essay:

INTRODUCTION:	Describe the problem and express your opinion.
CONTENT:	Give at least three reasons for your opinion
CONCLUSION:	Restate your opinion and briefly summarise the reasons.

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In conclusion What's more Finally Therefore Firstly Moreover As a result Secondly Consequently

The Government should encourage people to save water. Do you agree?

People in Spain don't appreciate the importance of water. _____ millions of litres are wasted every year. In my opinion, Government campaigns would help to reduce unnecessary water consumption.

Water is a very important resource for various reasons. _____, we need to drink clean water to survive. _____ we need it to keep clean. _____, without water we cannot grow crops or raise animals for food. The government should do more to make people realise this.

The human population is growing and the climate is changing. _____ there may not be enough water or everyone in the future. We should encourage people to change wasteful habits now before it's too late.

_____ water treatment processes cost a lot and use a large amount of electricity. _____, reduced water consumption would save energy and cut greenhouse gas emissions.

_____, I think that the government should encourage people to save water. It would help to conserve this important resource for the future. _____, it would reduce the money and energy that is spent on water treatment each year.

Schools should educate students about the environment. Do you agree?

Young people don't appreciate the importance of protecting the environment. _____ they don't think about the harmful effects of their behaviour. I believe that education in schools may help change attitudes and behaviours.

_____, education could encourage recycling. Compared to other countries we only recycle a small percentage of our waste. Consequently, a lot of energy, resources and money are wasted needlessly.

_____, schools can raise awareness of the importance of water as a resource. At the moment water is seen as a cheap and unlimited resource. _____, people waste water on unnecessary things like golf courses and private swimming pools.

_____, people could be made aware of the consequences of dropping litter. Many people drop litter at the beach and in the countryside. _____, our seas and fields are full of rubbish.

_____, I believe that education can help young people realise how they harm the environment and the consequences of this. _____, their attitudes might change and environmentally harmful activities may become less acceptable.