

D. Read the writing task below and use the ideas to complete the mind map.

You read this article in a local newspaper. Write a letter to the editor expressing your views.

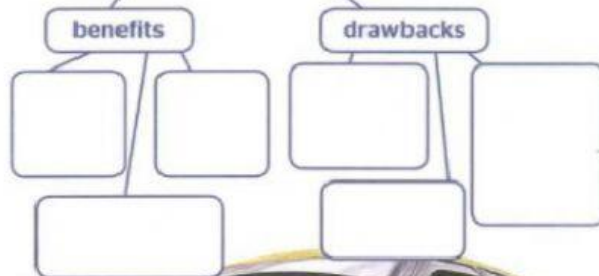
A major environmental issue our city is facing is pollution. This problem has been getting worse and worse over the past ten years and residents are asking the authorities to come up with acceptable solutions to solve the problem. One solution is to introduce a system of carpooling where people would share a car with other people on regular journeys instead of driving alone. Is it a good idea? Write to us and tell us what you think.



**Think about**

- the traffic
- the pollution
- how easy it is to find people to travel with
- the time needed to pick up people and drop them off
- the money spent on petrol
- the privacy you have

# CARPOOLING



E. Use the mind map to write the missing paragraphs.

Dear Sir / Madam,

I'm writing in response to an article I recently read in your newspaper about carpooling. I was very interested to read about this solution to the problem of pollution in our city and I would like to express my views on the topic.

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On the other hand, \_\_\_\_\_  
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In conclusion, I do not think the disadvantages are serious, so I believe that introducing the system of carpooling is a wonderful idea.

Yours faithfully,

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