

EXERCISE 4

Read the IELTS Writing Task 2 question again.

It is sometimes said that old friendships are as valuable as family relationships. Do you agree or disagree?

Read the information. Then read the student's essay. What information should the student include in the conclusion? Read the sentences and choose the correct answers.

In your IELTS Writing Task 2 conclusion you should not repeat examples from the rest of your essay. Remember, the conclusion should include the main points of the essay and your own opinion.

For some people, it is true that their friends are as important as their family. Personally, I need my friendships a lot but I do not think they can ever replace the connection with my relatives. In this essay, I am going to discuss both sides of the argument before coming to a conclusion.

On the one hand, I think that old friendships are very valuable. You can talk to friends who you have known for a long time about anything and they give you advice from experience. In addition, some people do not enjoy spending time with their relations because they are too strict or argue a lot. Unfortunately, certain people do not have family because they have died or moved away. For them, friendships are invaluable.

On the other hand, I disagree that friends are as important as relatives. In my opinion, nobody can be as valuable as family. Your parents work hard to help you and bring you up. Your grandparents did the same for your parents in the past. My family is particularly close because we live in the same street. Although I see my friends most days, I see my family every day. I eat with my grandmother at least twice a week and at weekends the whole family, all 25 of us, eat together.

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1. I agree that old friendships are valuable.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

2. Friends can often talk to you about anything.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

3. Some people's relations are too strict or argue a lot.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

4. Some people do not have family because they have died or moved away.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

5. I disagree that friends are important as relatives.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

6. In my view, nobody can be as valuable as family.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

7. Your parents work hard to help you.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

8. My family all live in the same street.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

9. I see my family every day.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

10. I eat with my grandmother twice a week.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No