

Exercise 3: Chia động từ ở thì phù hợp để hoàn thành một bài IELTS Writing Task 2 hoàn chỉnh. *Caring for children is probably the most important job in any society. Because of this, all mothers and fathers should be required to take a course that prepares them to be good parents. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this view?*

It (1-be)_____ true that parents shoulder a huge responsibility and that raising children is by no means an easy task. However, I completely disagree with the idea that we should therefore (2-force)_____ all mothers and fathers to attend parenting courses.

In my opinion, the idea that all future parents should take a parenthood preparation course is completely impractical. Many prospective parents (3-have)_____ jobs and busy schedules, and they may not be willing or able to attend regular parenting classes. This (4-raise)_____ the question of whether those who missed the classes, or perhaps (5-refuse)_____ to attend, would be punished. I believe that it would be wrong to do this, and it would therefore be impossible to enforce the idea of compulsory training for parents. Besides, even if parents could be forced to attend, I doubt that people would agree on what good parenting entails, and so it would (6-be)_____ difficult to create a parenting course to suit everyone.

As well as being impractical, I would argue that training courses for parents (7-be)_____ unnecessary. Mothers and fathers (8-be)_____ raising children without any formal help or official interference for thousands of years. Parenting skills are learnt from family members, friends, neighbors and the surrounding culture. Perhaps more importantly, adults (9-learn)_____ to be good parents by instinct, by trial and error, and by getting to know their own children; for example, a good parent will try different strategies when faced with a badly-behaved child, and will gradually develop an understanding of what works to correct the behavior. None of this (10-require)_____ the intervention of a taught course.

In conclusion, while compulsory parenting lessons might seem like a good idea, I

believe that such a scheme would be unworkable and largely pointless.