



writing task 2

IELTS

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introduction

What to cover in this course?

Session	content
Session 1	Introducing task 2
Session 2	Assessment criteria
Session 3	Mind map and thought patterns
Session 4	discussion and two question essays
Session 5	Opinion essays
Session 6	Problem/solution essays
Session 7	Advantage/disadvantage essays



IELTS writing task 2: the basics

- Writing task 2 is more of an argumentative and expository type.
- You should write 250 words minimum on an argumentative prompt followed by a couple of questions.
- There are majorly 5 types of essays. Make sure which one you are facing.
- There are no serious differences between General and Academic in WT2.
- You have 40 minutes on this task compared to 20 minutes in T1. It means T2 is twice as much important as T1. So, start your writing part with T2.
- Make sure you keep the academic format of a writing; that is, introduction, body paragraphs and conclusion.



Types of writing

- **Descriptive writing**
- **Expository writing**
- **Argumentative writing**
- **Poetry writing**
- **Narrative writing**



What are the characteristics of argumentative and expository writing?

- Argument refers to the ability to convince someone to see things from your specific vantagepoint.
- In expository genre, it is common to collect and synthesize information. This type of writing is often objective, like reports



How to build an argument in a writing

- Prior to building an argument you should know that writing is a more sophisticated style of communication than speaking. To build an argument you should follow a number of rules:
- Your writing should have the academic style.
- The ideas should be openly known to everyone.
- There should be one big idea in the writing. you had better take side with either of the argument's side. Middle positions are just hard to follow.
- Iranian's tendency is to jump from one topic to another, or present the issue in disguise. That is inappropriate in English.

The way they think

my Idea support and connection examples argument



Persian thought pattern



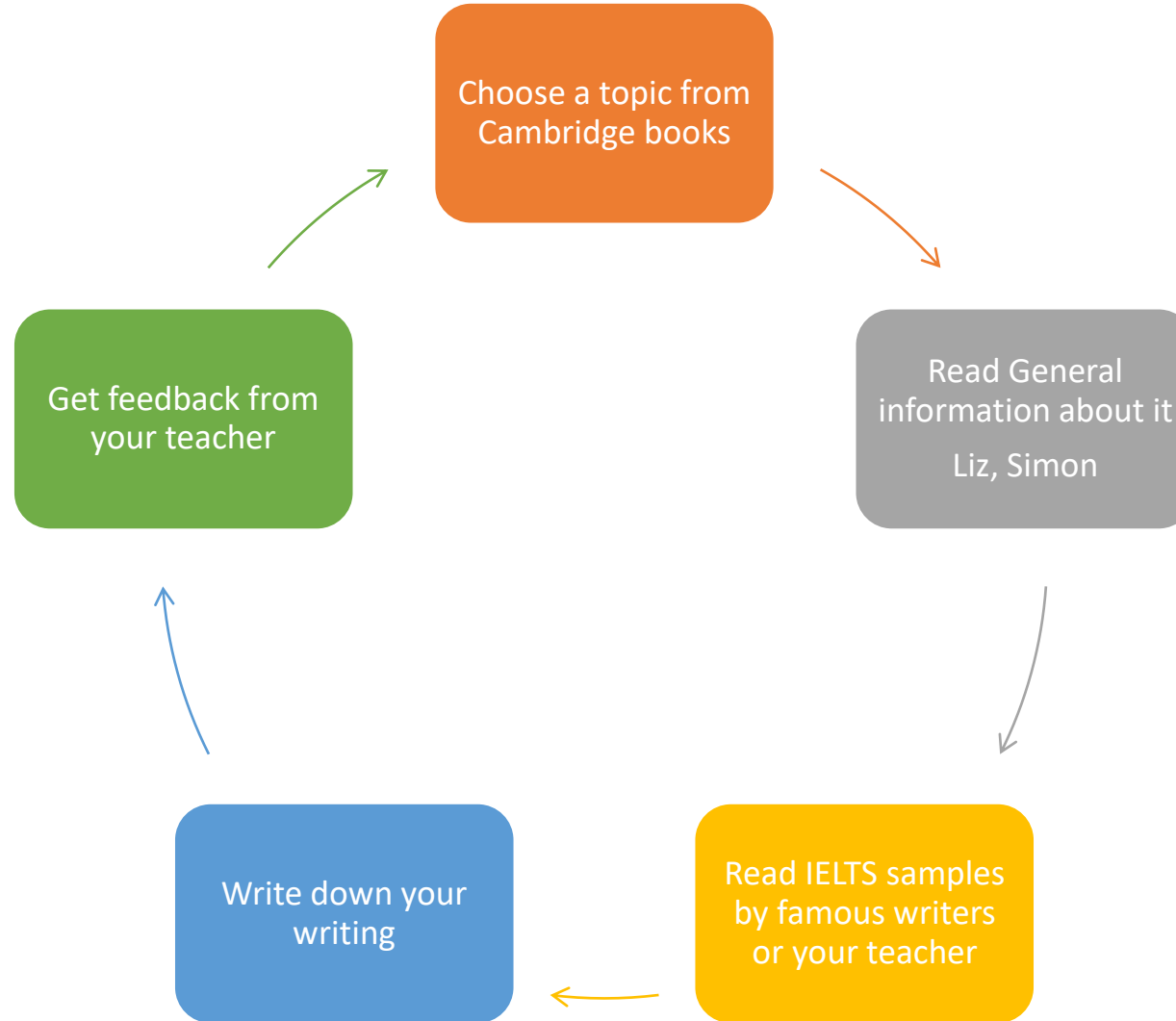
Arguing in disguise: another problem

Disadvantage of online classes

The main disadvantage of online class is understanding the fact that physical classes were far better. In real classes, we can share our ideas and thoughts and have a better situation to listen and speak. Everyone, including the teacher can take part actively in class. The only advantage is that online classes can inhibit the spread of Covid-19.



Writing task 2 study cycle



The prompt

- **Governments in many countries have recently introduced special taxes on foods and beverages with high levels of sugar. Some think these taxes are a good idea while others disagree.**



Different questions

- **What is your opinion?**
- **Do you agree or disagree?**
- **To what extent do you agree or disagree?**
- **Discuss both views and give your own opinion.**
- **Do you think the advantages outweigh the disadvantages?**
- **What are the problems caused by this?/ how the problems can be solved?**





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