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GRADE 7

ENGLISH FIRST ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE

TERM 2: Task 7.2

ARGUMENTATIVE ESSAY

WRITING AN ESSAY

Choose a topic from the list below and prepare to write an essay on one of them.

Your planning should be executed as follows:

1. Create a mind map by writing only a **topic sentence** for your introduction, for the ending and for two to three more paragraphs in your classwork book. Try not to use more than half a page.
2. Then rewrite your topic sentences in colour pen or pencil in your classwork book. Follow this up by writing supportive sentences (in blue pen) for each of these paragraphs.
3. Edit your work before writing your final draft in your English Portfolio Book. The total length of your essay should be between 130 and 200 words.

TOPICS TO CHOOSE FROM

1. Winning is not everything.
2. Life is full of opportunities – use them.
3. Kids spend too much time watching television/on computers.
4. Water is valuable.
5. Sport is overrated in South Africa.
6. The choice of friends is a serious responsibility.
7. Corporal punishment.
8. School uniforms.
9. The death penalty.
10. South Africa – let's laugh for a change.
11. Too many privileges are taken for granted.
12. Your parents can/can't be your friends.

WRITING AN ESSAY

Planning	Mind map and quality of topic sentences	/2
	Editing	/2
Content	Introduction	/2
	Ending	/2
	Supporting sentences and paragraphs	/2
Language and sentence construction		/5
Spelling		/3
Punctuation		/2
TOTAL		/20

ASSESSED BY: _____

MARKS ACHIEVED: _____/20

