

Answering Strategy

1. Text type and format – You are asked to write an argumentative essay. In an argumentative essay, the content should be in paragraphs, including an introduction, a main body and a conclusion.
2. Genre – It is an argumentative and expository writing. You are expected to argue for joining a local internship or joining an overseas study tour.
3. Language and formality – The essay is to show your preference and state your opinions and standpoint, so it should be objective and persuasive. The use of language should be quite formal as the essay is to be published in a newspaper. The arguments need to be strong and reasonable. To enhance the effect, you should also write in a convincing tone. The present tenses should be used most of the time as you are referring to situations in general.
4. Organisation – Clearly show your stance in the first and the last paragraphs. In the main body, state the advantages of joining a local internship and the disadvantages of joining an overseas study tour, or vice versa. Elaborate your arguments with reasons and examples. You may compare and contrast the effectiveness between the two. Cohesive devices can be used to link up the sentences and paragraphs to make the essay more organised.
5. Topic and vocabulary – The theme of this essay is local internship and overseas study tour. You should have enough relevant ideas and vocabulary items for this topic. You can refer to the following ideas and vocabulary items.

Useful vocabulary items and expressions

Verbs / verb phrases

call into question	引起對...的懷疑
delve into	探究
empower	授權
equip	裝備
get on the bandwagon	隨波逐浪
land a graduate offer	獲得畢業後的工作聘用
separate	分開

Nouns / noun phrases

a fish out of water	在陌生環境感到不自在
candidate	應徵者
drawback	缺點
duration	持續時間
hands-on skills	實際技能
job hunting	求職
local summer internship	本地暑期實習
on-site skills	在職技能
sightseeing tour	觀光團

wishful thinking

癡心妄想

Adjectives

advantageous / beneficial	有好處的
colloquial	口語的
obvious	明顯的
practical	實用的
preferable	較合適的
realistic	現實的
impressive	給人印象深刻的

Adverbs

dramatically	戲劇化地
genuinely	真正地
unrealistically	不切實際地

Others

needless to say	不用說
to what extent	在多大程度上