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Revising



After checking the first draft, it is time to write the second draft. Read the tip boxes carefully. They will give you much help on writing up the second draft!

I

Decide if the information is **relevant**. If not, cross it out.

Second Draft

Dear Editor,

S

Add a **connective**.

I am writing with reference to David Pan's letter about promoting more public open space for dogs and their owners. ~~David Pan is the chairperson of the Animal Welfare Society, a non-governmental organisation.~~ I totally agree with his suggestion and the reasons are as follows.

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Explain the bad effects of limited exercise on dogs.

To begin with, more public open space for dogs means they can have better health and behaviour. In Hong Kong, the living environment is too crowded for dogs to stretch their muscles and relax. Lacking open space to run about, they will fall sick or develop psychological illnesses easily. However,

W

Reword 'better health' to **avoid repetition**.

if they are given more space to exercise, they will definitely have ~~better health~~ a stronger body. (Good still / Better still /

S

Choose a correct **connective**.

Best still), when given more opportunities for social contact with

W

Use another **modal verb** to reduce certainty.

other dogs and humans, they tend to behave more properly. For example, dogs will may not bark at or behave aggressively to people within the neighbourhood, causing their owners no embarrassment.

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Explain the **benefit** of dogs' good behaviour.

In addition to improving dogs' health and behaviour, dog owners are also encouraged to go out and exercise more at their nearby parks to

enhance fitness and reduce stress

They can go jogging with their dogs, train their dogs to fetch a ball, enjoy sunshine or simply get some fresh air at a park

Also, walking a dog allows one to rest the mind or reflect on life. These activities can relieve one's stress from a hard day's work.

Last but not the least Last but not least, increasing public open space for dogs can encourage different kinds of social contact within a community. In fact, taking a dog to a park for a walk can stimulate social interaction between dog owners and other park users. ~~They can talk to each other and become friends.~~

Drawing from my personal experience, I tend to feel easier to start a conversation with other dog owners at a park because of our common interest. As time goes by, I have developed friendship with some of the dog owners and we become good friends.

This proves that walking a dog can be a good social activity which helps foster social harmony.

To conclude, more public open space for dogs and their owners can benefit several parties of the community. I hope the general public will support this suggestion.

Yours ~~sincerely~~ faithfully,

Benson

Benson Wong

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What is the purpose of doing so?

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Give **examples** of what people can do at a park.

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Describe the 'day' with a suitable **adjective**.

W
Use the **correct wording** for this phrase.

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Use your personal experience to better explain this argument.

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End your letter by making an **appeal**.

V
Use a correct close.