

The best way to prevent people from smoking is to impose hitaxes on tobacco products. In this way, people will be less likely to develop a long-term addiction to smoking.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Overall Band Score: 7

Task Achievement 7

Smoking is one of the biggest health concerns in society. Many believe that increasing taxes on cigarettes will eventually prevent people from developing chronic addiction to nicotine. In my opinion, I believe that this implementation is only effective on those who have never smoked before because higher prices of cigarettes may stop them from buying in the first place, while smokers may still keep consuming tobacco regardless of higher price.

People against smoking believe that introducing much higher taxes on tobacco products **will may** stop others from adopting smoking as a habit **thereby being and getting** addicted. This is true to a certain degree because when they have to pay a significantly larger amount of money on cigarettes, they are more likely to think twice prior to making **a payment their purchase**. However, this tax increase strategy only works effectively on those who have never smoked before. If the price for a pack of twenty cigarettes soars up to \$20, a person thinking of becoming a smoker is more likely to give up this idea and opt to pay for something else of much better value, **such as a dinner for two**. **This illustrates that It is likely that a certain percentage of** individuals may be more reluctant to engage in smoking because of the high price they have to pay.

Nevertheless, smokers will continue smoke despite the rise in price because they are already chronic addicts. Although facing an elevated price of tobacco may reduce the number of cigarettes they consume daily, it is almost impossible to stop them from being addicted. An individual who has been a chain-smoker for more than twenty years would never give up smoking just because he has to pay extra to satisfy his nicotine craving. Instead, he may cut back in the daily tobacco consumption, from two packs a day down to one pack for example. **It is clear that The nature of addiction strongly suggest that** chronic nicotine addicts **may** be resistant to taxation legislation on tobacco.

Comment [1]: They don't think it will work with 100% certainty.

Comment [2]: Strange example - do people usually decide between dinner or cigarettes? I think it's best to just say this the price is high enough to deter many first time buyers.

Comment [3]: It isn't clear - some may, right? Don't be too strong in saying that you have proved a point.

Comment [4]: Or you can make your point better by saying that People who are addicted are unlikely to change their behaviour because of the higher price, though it is likely fewer people will be addicted to begin with.

In conclusion, imposing strong taxes on tobacco products **may work** effectively on stopping those who have never smoked before from developing long-term addiction to nicotine. However, I believe that chronic chainsmokers would continue consuming tobacco regardless, although a reduction in their daily consumption could be seen.

Cohesion and Coherence 7

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Comment [5]: You don't need both in my opinion and i believe

People against smoking believe that introducing much higher taxes on tobacco products will stop **others first-timers** from **adopting smoking as a habit thereby and thereafter becoming addicted.** This is true to a certain degree because when they have to pay a significantly larger amount **of money** on cigarettes, they are more likely to think twice prior to making a payment. However, this tax increase strategy only works effectively on those who have never smoked before. If the price for a pack of twenty cigarettes soars up to \$20, a person thinking of becoming a smoker is more likely to give up this idea and opt to pay for something else of much better value, such as a dinner for two. This illustrates that individuals may be more reluctant to engage in smoking because of the high price they have to pay.

Comment [6]: Too much repetition - adopting, habit and becoming addicted all mean addicted basically.

Comment [7]: ellipsis

Nevertheless, smokers will continue **to smoke** despite the rise in price because **they many** are already chronic addicts. Although facing an elevated price of tobacco may reduce the number of cigarettes **they people** consume daily, it is almost impossible to stop them from becoming addicted. An individual who has been a chain-smoker for more than twenty years would never give up smoking just because he has to pay extra to satisfy his nicotine craving. Instead, he may cut back **in-the on** daily tobacco consumption, from two packs a day down to one **pack**, for example. **It is clear that chronic nicotine addicts may be resistant to taxation legislation on tobacco.**

Comment [8]: ellipsis

Comment [9]: Ok, but you don't need this sentence.

In conclusion, imposing strong taxes on tobacco products works effectively on stopping those who have never smoked before from developing **a** long-term addiction to nicotine. However, I believe that chronic chainsmokers would continue consuming tobacco regardless, although a reduction in their daily consumption **could be seen is possible.**

Vocabulary 7 (red for incorrect, blue for suggestion)

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Comment [10]: Paraphrase

People against smoking believe that introducing ~~much~~ substantially higher taxes on tobacco products ~~will may~~ stop others from adopting smoking as a habit ~~thereby and thereafter~~ becoming addicted. This is true to a certain degree because when they have to pay a significantly larger amount of money on cigarettes, they are more likely to think twice prior to ~~making a payment~~ their purchase. However, this tax increase strategy only works effectively on those who have never smoked before. If the price for a pack of twenty cigarettes ~~soars up~~ rises to \$20, a person thinking of becoming a smoker is more likely to give up this idea and opt to pay for something else of much better value, such as a dinner for two. This illustrates that individuals may be more reluctant to engage in smoking because of the high price they ~~would~~ have to pay.

Comment [11]: A little unnatural

Nevertheless, ~~most~~ smokers will continue smoke despite the rise in price because they are already ~~chronic addicts~~ chronic users. Although ~~facing~~ implementing measure to ensure an elevated price of tobacco may reduce the number of cigarettes people consume daily, it is almost impossible to stop them from ~~being becoming~~ addicted. An individual who has been a chain-smoker for more than twenty years would never give up smoking just because he has to pay extra to satisfy his nicotine craving. Instead, he may cut back ~~in the~~ daily tobacco consumption, from two packs a day down to one pack for example. It is clear that chronic nicotine addicts may be resistant to taxation legislation on tobacco.

Comment [12]: Or just 'addicted'

Comment [13]: <http://www.just-the-word.com/main.pl?word=chronic&mode=combinations>

In conclusion, imposing strong taxes on tobacco products works effectively on stopping those who have never smoked before from developing a long-term addiction to nicotine. However, I believe that chronic chainsmokers would continue consuming tobacco regardless, although a reduction in their daily consumption ~~could be seen~~ is feasible.

Grammar 7

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Task Achievement

Explanation: Really good as usually over the last few writings. Clear and well-supported main ideas. The main thing holding you back is some claims are too strong (stick to may or likely will or could, etc.)

Also, it's good to address the overall question - yes it will reduce the number of people starting - but no it will only have a small impact on those already addicted - so overall your opinion should be that it is a good way, just not the best. You make it sound like you are generally against this solution.

Advice: Weaken your claims a little bit and make sure you have a statement at the end directly answering the question as if someone were asking it to you to your face.

Cohesion and Coherence 7

Explanation: A few more mistakes than normal, some of them related to grammar and vocabulary as well. Theme/rheme was good, easy to read, except in a few places because there was too much repetition or it was overly wordy.

Advice: Cut down on the repetition, make sure you are paraphrasing when you can, use ellipsis whenever possible.

Vocabulary 7

Explanation: Again, a few more errors than normal but also lots of good vocabulary. Some mistakes with collocations. In some areas the vocab mistakes/lack of nuance hurt the coherence and task achievement so that brings down this score as well as those ones.

Advice: Use the website just the word to check on collocations.

Grammar

Explanation: Lots of really good grammar, very close to an 8, the only reason it is not is that your flexibility with modals hurt you a little because it made your task achievement a little worse.

Advice: Be careful with articles and prepositions, check the modals link below.

Overall Band Score: 7

Very good, well-argued. Keep it up and you will be firmly within the 7 band score.

