

task 2:

Films and computer games containing violence are popular. Some people say they have negative effects on society and should be banned. Others say they are just harmless relaxation. Discuss both these views and give your own opinion.

Comment [Dave1]: good interesting topic!

Many people like playing computer games or watching films with violent plots in our modern society. ~~The issue about~~ whether ~~or not~~ these should be banned because they are harmful has triggered heated discussion. In my view, although there are potential harmful effects ~~on people~~, restricting this kind of recreation is better than completely banning ~~them~~.

Comment [Dave2]: content

Comment [Dave3]: no our or we in academic writing

Comment [Dave4]: good expression - fixed sentence

Comment [Dave5]: adjective

Comment [Dave6]: try not to keep repeating people again and again

Comment [Dave7]: only really needs two sentences

Comment [Dave8]: clear enough opinion

Comment [Dave9]: replace people with individuals, citizens, audiences, consumers, the general public

Comment [Dave10]: fine to repeat that because it is the topic of the essay

Comment [Dave11]: very stereotypical idea - no one copies games or movies and is violent - problems at home - poverty

Comment [Dave12]: also a bit too long

Comment [Dave13]: weaken

Comment [Dave14]: includes games and movies

Comment [Dave15]: this paragraph is more important to have more detail and support - so your introduction or conclusion could be just a little bit shorter

Comment [Dave16]: good - at least band 6 in terms of vocabulary, grammar, ideas, cohesion/coherence - good!

Comment [Dave17]: too long for a topic sentence - this sentence should be short and simple with your main idea for the paragraph 10 - 15 words long

Comment [Dave18]: could put this at the end of the last paragraph

Comment [Dave19]: good clear development

Comment [Dave20]: good level of detail, clear ideas

Comment [Dave21]: more specific example would be better - famous computer game / tv show / movie - specific example - China

Comment [Dave22]: studies/research

On the one hand, ~~people those~~ who are often exposed to violence in films or virtual games are more likely to simulate these violent behaviors, especially ~~the youths younger people~~. ~~Because~~ ~~Because~~ young people ~~often~~ ~~don't do not~~ have ~~the a~~ matured worldview, if they watch more violent scenes in entertainment, they may think that violence is a good way to solve problems or ~~be a hero~~ attain a high level of status. For example, more than twenty years ago, ~~while when~~ many Hong Kong movies containing violence were introduced ~~to~~ ~~our into~~ Chinese society, the rate of violence among teen-agers increased ~~evidently~~ dramatically. However, such instances are rare exceptions and most individuals who watch violent content do not imitate these actions.

On the other hand, ~~many people think that they are only for fun to watch the films or play the games which can relax them~~ these kinds of violent entertainment can be relaxing. ~~and~~ ~~The individuals who are people~~ cannot distinguish ~~the~~ virtual plots from ~~the~~ reality ~~are rare~~ exceptions. For most, ~~The~~ violent scenes make the story in ~~the a~~ film or game more compelling ~~completed~~ and more attractive, and while watching or playing them, ~~people~~ viewers can ~~be~~ totally forget their real life and ~~have enjoy an a feeling of excitement~~ exciting feeling. In modern society, people ~~today are~~ under fierce competition ~~than ever before~~ always ~~have at~~ work or ~~study stresses school and~~ these kinds of plots give them a effective way to release ~~their the~~ pressure. ~~Recent research has shown that games and movies featuring violent content allow audiences to de-stress better than other forms of entertainment.~~

In conclusion, I think ~~the~~ violent scenes ~~may-should~~ not be totally ~~deleted-removed~~ from these works due to ~~the-how it can impair~~ completeness of a work, but in consideration of their negative effects-, governments should restrict the level of ~~these~~ violence in such works and also restrict ~~the people watching them~~ viewership according to ages.

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Comment [Dave23]: make sure that you always have a clear opinion – never sit in the middle – be careful in other essays if you don't choose a side you get an automatic band 5 task achievement

Comment [Dave24]: break it up into two different sentences

Comment [Dave25]: good length!

To speed up, you probably just need more practice – try to write faster – shorter intro and conclusion and shorter topic sentences, practice with more topics

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these are real ones from the exam – practice with lots of different types

don't practice a lot in one day but practice a little every day – develop habits

To work on:

Task achievement: 6/7 clear opinion – good! clear ideas, relevant ideas – good! some good support – you can make your examples more specific and longer like the one about Hong Kong – more like that to boost your task achievement mark! Be careful about having an overall opinion

Cohesion/coherence: 6/7 (how the essay links together: paragraphing, linking words, logical ideas, substitution, referencing, ellipsis, how clear it is overall to read): good paragraphs, first topic sentence is good but the second one is way too long – shorten your topic sentences,

Vocabulary: 6 not many mistakes, but there are lots of small ones and sometimes could be more academic some of the vocabulary is a little informal, just learn more academic collocations to use

Grammar: 6 every sentence has minor mistakes so this could drop to a 5, some good complexity, conditions, relative clauses, subordinate clauses, passive voice

Overall: 6