

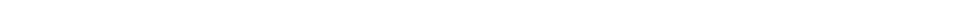
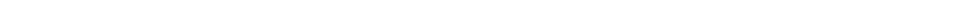
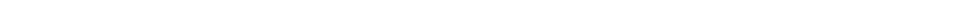
1) Read the following essay. What do you think the question given was?

- c** Nowadays, the traditional roles of men and women have changed. More men help in the home and more women go out to work. Some people say that this is a good thing, while others say that this is a negative thing. I believe that men should go out to work and women should stay at home. I believe that this is more economically efficient, and it is also better for children.
- d** The traditional structure of men working and women staying at home means that the family has more economic benefits. A man working full-time is likely to earn more money than a man and woman both working part-time. Also, it means that the woman can do things at home to save money, like making clothes or growing food.
- b** Also, women should be the main carers for their children. Although some people argue that women should be able to work outside the home, this is hard when there are children. Women give birth to the children and they need to be with them when they are small. It is also better for the children to grow up with a parent who is always at home. Being looked after by a professional carer is not as good for children.
- a** The economic benefits and the general benefits to children are the reasons why I believe that men should work outside the home and women should not. These traditional roles have worked successfully for a long time, so, in my opinion, they do not need to change now.

2) Devide the text into sections. What is the function of each sentence?

3) Name each color section. What is the function of each section?

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4) These are the functions of each section. Match them to each of the colors that appear in the text (activity 3).

General context



Opposing arguments



Personal opinion



Thesis statement



1st argument



Supporting details



2nd argument



Opening sentence



Summary of main points













Final comments



4) Now, write down your own ideas on the same topic (the original prompt is included in the following page).

KEY

In a family, both men and women should be employed outside the home and childcare equally. To what extent do you agree with this statement?

-  General context
-  Opposing arguments
-  Personal opinion
-  Thesis statement
-  1st argument
-  Supporting details
-  2nd argument
-  Opening sentence
-  Summary of main points
-  Final comments