

Writing: a comment

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Name: _____ Datum: _____

1 Which sentences belong to a comment, which to a report? Write C or R.

A comment gives a personal opinion with arguments. A report gives facts.

- a) In my view, school uniforms are a waste of money.
- b) The school introduced uniforms in September 2023.
- c) Some people argue that uniforms reduce bullying, but I doubt it.
- d) 78 per cent of parents voted for the uniform.
- e) To sum up, I believe students should decide for themselves.

2 Put the parts of a comment in order. Write 1 to 5.

Opinion first, then arguments, the other side, conclusion.

- a) Counter-argument and why it is weaker
- b) Conclusion: opinion restated
- c) Introduction: the topic and your opinion
- d) First argument with example
- e) Second argument with example

3 Improve the arguments: add a reason or an example.

Weak: „Homework is bad.“ Stronger: „Homework takes up to two hours a day, which leaves no time for sport or friends.“

- a) Homework is bad.
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- b) Social media is dangerous for teenagers.
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- c) Everybody should learn to cook.
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4 Write a comment (120 to 150 words): Should mobile phones be banned at school?

Useful phrases: I strongly believe ... / One reason is ... / For example ... / Admittedly ... but ... / All in all ...

- a) Introduction with your opinion, two arguments with examples, one counter-argument, conclusion
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