



## Template to practice Agree/Disagree answers

The good news is that no matter what style you get, you can use the same template to organize your answer.

Main Point (pick one)

“I agree with the idea that...”

“I think it is better to...”

“I think it is a great/terrible idea to...”

Transition (optional)

“I feel this way for several reasons.”

First Reason

“First...” + “For example...” (and a personal example)

Second Reason

“Second...” + “To be more specific...” (and a few more details)

Tips and Tricks

Avoid Repeating Words. Vary your vocabulary as much as possible.

Use discourse phrases like “as a result,” “consequently,” “moreover,” and “therefore” to link ideas.

Use a mix of simple and compound sentences.

Don’t copy from the prompt, especially at the beginning.

Avoid using idioms. They just lead to trouble.

Sample Answer

Main Point

I agree with the idea that kids should help with housework right away.

Transition

I feel this way for several reasons.

First Reason

First, doing household tasks teaches children really valuable skills. For example, I was required to prepare breakfast for my little brother every day before school, so when I grew up and moved away to attend college it was really easy to prepare healthy meals for myself. As a result, I have always been in great shape both physically and mentally.

## Second Reason

Second, family members can bond when they share responsibilities. To be more specific, young people are sometimes shy, but if they spend a lot of time with their parents doing chores they might open up a bit. Accordingly, they will be more likely to discuss their feelings.

As we saw in the lesson, timing is important. It is better to complete the speaking, rather than run out of time.

This demonstrates your organisational skill at arranging your time.