### **ESSAY OPINION**

### **PLAN**

- 1. Make an introduction. State the problem.
- Since time immemorial...
- For centuries people have been arguing.../thinking about../struggling for...
- - For years the problem of...has been one of the most serious.
- - It has been widely discussed in recent years whether... or not.
- People have always wanted...
- - Some people believe/argue/claim that... while others...
- How does...influence...?

#### 2. EXPRESS YOUR PERSONAL OPINION AND GIVE 2-3 REASONS FOR IT

#### To state your opinion:

• I strongly believe.../In my opinion../ From my point of view...

#### To list points:

- First of all.../Firstly.../Secondly.../Finally...
- To give reasons:
- ...because.../because of.../since.../as.../due to the fact that...
- To say about the result:
- As a result.../consequently...
- To introduce example: For example.../For instance

# 3. EXPRESS OPPOSING OPINION AND GIVE 1-2 REASONS

- To introduce the opposite opinion:
- However, some people argue...
- They argue that... because...
- Besides...

## 4. EXPLAIN WHY YOU DISAGREE WITH THE OPPOSING OPINION

• I strongly disagree with this opinion because... (give a counter argument)

## 5. MAKE A CONCLUSION RELATING TO YOUR OPINION

- In conclusion...
- To sum up...
- Despite other people's opinion, I still believe/ argue... that

