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Main Idea/Title:

Smoking should be banned completely.

Introduction

The main point
you want to
make.

Argument 1

Remember evidence!

Useful words:

Firstly...

Secondly...

In my opinion...

Some believe that...

I feel that...

I am sure that...

It is certain...

Therefore...

Moreover...

For this reason...

Argument 2

-Reasons for

-Reasons against

*-Ask questions to get
the reader thinking*

Argument 3

Conclusion

Sum up
the main
argument.

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Structure

Title: Smoking should be banned completely

Paragraph 1 - Introduction

- State that you agree with the above statement and list 2-3 reasons to explain why you agree.
- For example: *I strongly believe that smoking should be banned completely. I think this because...*

Paragraph 2: Explain your first reason (eg. it damages your health)

- Begin with an opening sentence which states your first argument. Remember to start your sentence with a time connective e.g. firstly, my first reason etc.
 - *E.g. Firstly, smoking is very harmful to your health.*
- Explain your point in more detail by adding more information.
- See Point 1 on "reasons smoking should be banned" sheet.

Paragraph 3: Explain your second reason (smoking can affect other people's health)

- Opening sentence which states your second argument.
- *E.g. Secondly, smoking has an effect on other people's health.*
- Explain this point in more detail by adding more information.
- See Point 2 on "reasons smoking should be banned" sheet.

Paragraph 4: Explain your third reason (smoking is very expensive)

- Opening sentence which states your third argument.
 - *E.g. In addition, smoking is very expensive for people.*
- Explain this point in more detail by adding more information.
- See Point 3 on "reasons smoking should be banned" sheet.

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Paragraph 5: Conclusion

- Write a few sentences to sum up your arguments.
- For example: *In conclusion, I believe that smoking should be banned completely because it can severely damage people's health, it negatively effects other people's health and it is increasingly expensive for people.*

Remember to add in persuasive words and phrases throughout. You will find these on your persuasive writing word mat.

Examples of persuasive words and phrases you might use are:

- *What a waste of money! Think of all the other, more exciting things you could buy with that money.*
- *It's ridiculous that some people would rather spend money on cigarettes than things they really need such as food and clothes.*
- *There is no doubt that smoking increases people's risk of cancer.*
- *Surely you agree how dangerous it is too people's health.*
- *It's outrageous that some people feel pressured into smoking. If smoking were banned completely, people wouldn't be in that position.*