Example of a persuasive writing task
‘Mobile phones have made life worse, not better.’

Do you agree with this statement? Write an argument to persuade the reader of your point of view.

You may wish to consider the following points before you plan your writing:

- mobile phones allow people to communicate quickly
- mobile phones cause people to spend more money

In your writing you should provide reasons to support your argument. Write persuasively so that the reader is convinced by your argument.

**HINTS**

- Use the planning time to organise your ideas.
- Stay on the topic: **Mobile phones have made life worse, not better.**
- Your writing should include an introduction and a conclusion.
- Write in paragraphs.
- Write in sentences that are well structured and varied.
- Use correct spelling and punctuation.
- Keep your writing concise.
- Use the time at the end of the task to edit your writing.
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