

**INTERNATIONAL INDIAN SCHOOL BURAIDAH**

**Worksheet for the Academic Year ( 2024-25)**

**CLASS: XI**

**SUBJECT: ENGLISH**

**DATE: 18.09.24**

**LESSON: DEBATE WRITING**

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**Q1. 'Brain drain is not a bane for a developing country like India.' Write a debate in 150 – 200 words either for or against the motion.**

**BRAIN DRAIN IS NOT A BANE FOR A DEVELOPING COUNTRY LIKE INDIA FOR THE MOTION:**

Respected judges and my worthy opponents, today, I stand before you all to bring into light why Brain drain is not a bane for a developing country like India.

Brain drain is a situation in which large numbers of educated and skilled professionals leave their own country to live and work in another country where pay and conditions are better. In a developing country like India, the population is growing at a rate faster than the increase in job opportunities. In such a case, immigration to other countries can be seen to be providing sunshine to dispel the gloom of the unemployed youth.

Moreover, income from the emigrated people comes back to the native country as overseas remittances. India is recipient of the highest amount of foreign currency coming in as remittances from NRIs.

Reverse brain drain, on the other hand, if given attention, can make it a win-win situation. It is a situation in which such people come back to India after acquiring knowledge, skills and abilities, thus adding value to India.

The need of the hour is to encourage reverse brain drain so that India can make use of their tremendous potential, experience and expertise for building a stronger nation. This helps India becoming a developed country very soon and also a global Super Power in the long run. Thank you.

**AGAINST THE MOTION:**

Respected judges and my worthy opponents, today, I stand before you all to express my views on the topic "Brain drain is not a bane for a developing country like India". I choose to speak against the motion.

Brain drain is referred to a situation in which large numbers of educated and skilled professionals leave their own country to live and work in another country where pay and conditions are better. The majority of migration is from developing to developed countries.

This is of growing concern worldwide because of its impact on developing countries. These countries have invested in the education and training of young health professionals. This translates into a loss of considerable resources when these people migrate, with the direct benefit accruing to the recipient states who have not forked out the cost of educating them.

It drains a developing country of expertise at a time when it requires it the most. If the number of skilled people leaving is higher than that of people entering (the so-called brain gain), brain drain can become a challenge, especially if it hits the sensitive spots of a nation's economy in sectors such as science, health care, or technology.

It is the need of the hour to be in control of the situation. It can be done by providing better opportunity, security, better standard of living and if need be, tax concessions. It's time to end brain drain and move to brain gain.

Thank you.

**Q2. You are Mukul / Mahima of Alps Public School. Your school has organized a debate on “Social Media and It’s Effects” and you will be participating in your school. Prepare your views against or in favour of the motion. (120 – 150 words) (5)**

**(Source- CBSE Sample Question Paper 2018-19)**

**SOCIAL MEDIA AND IT’S EFFECTS**

**FOR THE MOTION:**

“We are all now connected by the internet, like neurons in a giant brain”

Honourable judges, teachers and my worthy opponents thank you for giving me the opportunity to join this debate on the topic, “Social Media and It’s Effects”. I am Mukul/ Mahima and I would like to speak in favour of the motion.

How many people do not have a smile on their faces on finding an old friend on Facebook? Well, social media has removed all the barriers and boundaries to communication by bringing the globe on a single platform. While business opportunities have widened, marketer’s reach has broadened. It keeps us updated about everything going on in every nook and corner of the world on a real-time basis.

From emergency alerts, announcements and declarations to knowing how our friends are doing has all become so convenient. It provides freedom of speech and thus, enables everyone to speak their mind. Not to forget the incalculable access it provides to the extensive information.

With so much advancement and innovation, it would be an unimaginable world without having social media in it. Someone has rightly put it into words by saying,

“Social media is addictive precisely because it gives us something that the real world lacks: it gives us immediacy, direction and a value as an individual.”

Thank you.

**AGAINST THE MOTION:**

What a world it is, with everyone on their phones, all the time, faking their lives and keeping a count of their likes?

Good Morning, ladies and gentlemen! I am Mukul/ Mahima and my topic for the day is, “Social media and its effects”. I would like to speak against the motion.

It has now become doubtful to trust the saying that goes like “Technology was developed to save time and make our lives easier”, because people have become addicted and unproductive. It takes a lot of effort and discipline to stay away from social media. Results have shown that it has had adverse effects on human minds and their functioning. Outdoor activities among children have also reduced significantly.

No doubt it provides access to useful information, but, it is hard to ignore the quantum of fake news that spreads like wildfire and the extent of impact it has on the society. In fact, fake whatsapp forwards was a clear pattern that was observed behind the recent mob lynchings or rather, “Death by social media”.

It is one of the reasons behind insecurities and depression among teenagers. It is right that technology was introduced to save time, but we forgot to mention, “In the right amount” . So, remember, you leave the present moment every time you check the phone.

Thank you for your cooperation and patient hearing.

**Q3. Are celebs responsible for the products they endorse? Taking a cue from the headlines given below and using your own ideas, write a debate for or against the topic. (about 150-200 words)**

**Amitabh Bachchan steps back from promoting Pepsi after a school girl questions the health impact of the drink.**

**Brief ban on Maggi noodles causes trouble for its celebrity Brand ambassadors.**