WRITING SKILLS QUESTIONS

1. Based on a Newspaper Report:

Read the following excerpt and write an analytical paragraph in about 120–150 words:

"A recent report in The Times of India highlighted that plastic waste in Indian cities has increased by 21% over the past two years. Despite several awareness campaigns, the use of single-use plastic remains widespread. Authorities have urged citizens to adopt eco-friendly alternatives and support sustainable living." Write an analytical paragraph analyzing the issue presented in the report.

2. Based on a News Excerpt:

Read the excerpt below and answer:

"According to a report by WHO, nearly 1 in 7 adolescents globally experiences mental health issues, particularly anxiety and depression. Schools in India are now introducing counseling services and mental wellness sessions as part of the curriculum." Write an analytical paragraph discussing the concerns raised in the excerpt.

3. Based on an Excerpt from a Survey:

"A recent survey conducted by the Delhi Transport Department revealed that 63% of daily commuters prefer private vehicles over public transport due to lack of punctuality and cleanliness in buses and metros." Analyze the reasons and suggest steps to improve public transportation in an analytical paragraph.

- 4. Based on a Health Report: A study published in The Hindu stated that children between the ages of 10–16 are spending an average of 7–8 hours daily on mobile phones, leading to digital fatigue, lack of physical activity, and disturbed sleep patterns. Write an analytical paragraph explaining the problem and its possible impact.
- 5. Based on an Excerpt on Climate Change:

"The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) warns that the Earth's temperature may rise by 1.5°C by 2030 if carbon emissions continue at the current rate. This could lead to extreme weather, rising sea levels, and major environmental disruptions." Write an analytical paragraph discussing the implications of climate change and the urgent actions needed.

6. Based on a Report on Road Safety:

"In a report by the National Crime Records Bureau, over 1.5 lakh people lost their lives in road accidents in India last year. Experts attribute this to rash driving, poor road conditions, and lack of enforcement of traffic rules." Write an analytical paragraph highlighting the causes and suggesting preventive measures.

7. Read the product details on a label for a school bag:

ECO-FRIENDLY SCHOOL BAG

- 1. Made from recycled materials
- 2. Ergonomic* design with padded shoulder straps and breathable mesh back panel
- 3. Spacious main compartment with multiple pockets and organisers
- 4. Reflective strips for visibility and safety
- 5. Water-resistant fabric
- 6. Available in various vibrant colours and patterns.

Now, analyse why this school bag would be a beneficial purchase. Write the analytical paragraph in 120 words, considering factors such as its Eco friendliness, comfort features, functionality, safety aspects, and design options.

8. Gurmeet Kaur is an aspiring candidate for a public-funded engineering college in the suburbs. She belongs to a nearby village, has minimal technological skills and exposure, has the required cut-off percentage and is looking for a complete or partial scholarship.

Write a paragraph in about 100-120 words, analysing her SWOT notes to support your stand on whether she should join/not join the college.

STRENGTH WEAKNESS Strong Curriculum Lack of diversity Quality faculty Students' behavioural problems Vibrant Activity Clubs No hostel facility Green location Slow repair and maintenance work Close proximity to residential areas Underutilization of IT Services Lack of targeted advertisements to out-state students **OPPORTUNITIES** THREAT Practice based research Lack of publicity in areas of Partnership with professional excellence organisations Public perception towards funded Strong alumni colleges Acclaimed Student Exchange Declining students' interest Programme with European countries towards technical subjects Low employee morale due to budget cuts

9. Read the following excerpt from an online post of a website on educational practices.

"Kids who appreciate how much effort, time and care goes into growing food will understand how important farmers are, and why it's important to take care of our Earth. In the world of today, gardening needs to be given more importance than sports, music and dance in all schools because it creates environmental stewards and outdoor learning laboratories that help the child and community for years to come."

Write a paragraph in 100-120 words to analyze the given argument.

You could think about what alternative explanations might weaken the given conclusion and include rationale/evidence that would strengthen/counter the given argument.

10. Read the given details of a playground intended for your resident area.

- A central climbing structure inspired by traditional Indian architecture, such as a miniature fort, with multiple levels and slides.
- Swings adorned with colorful Indian patterns, along with monkey bars and a zip line.
- A water play feature inspired by Indian fountains or rivers
- Shaded seating areas with benches and swings, resembling traditional chaupals or gazebos.

- Trees, shrubs, and flower beds
- Ample open space

Analyse the details and write an analytical paragraph in about 120 words about the suitability of this playground. Focus on factors such as safety, inclusivity, fun features, suitability for different age groups, and overall experience.