## ARGUMENTATION

## Advantages / disadvantages

- It has both (its) advantages and disadvantages
- One of the advantages / disadvantages of...is
- There are advantages / disadvantages to...-ing
- A further advantage (of) / problem (with)... is
- There are certain drawbacks
- The (main) advantage / disadvantage of...is ...
- The (main) drawback (of) / problem (with) ... is
- What are the advantages and disadvantages of ...


## Different points of view are included

- While it is true to say that ...
- On the other hand, ...
- It is not always the case that ...
- On the contrary, ...
- This (question) can be looked at from several points of view. Firstly ...
- Opponents of ... take a very different view
- It is often suggested that ...

| Your own point of view |  |
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| - In my opinion <br> - The first thing to be considered is ... <br> - It is a fact that ... <br> - There is no doubt that ... | - I believe that (x I think) <br> - One of the main arguments in favour/against X is that ... |
| Agreement | Partial agreement |
| - I agree with X when he says/writes that... | - On the one hand ...... on the other hand <br> - ... but ... <br> - ... however ... |
| Emphatic agreement | Cautious agreement |
| - X is certainly correct when he says that <br> - I completely agree with X when he writes that... | - X may be correct when he says that...// is saying that ... |
| Disagreement | Contrast with what has preceded |
| - I disagree with X when he says that ... | - instead <br> - in comparison <br> - on the contrary <br> - on the other hand <br> - by contrast |
| Conclusions |  |
| - in conclusion in brief <br> - to conclude to summarize <br> - to sum up briefly altogether | overall thus <br> then finally <br> therefore in addition |

