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### Sample writing activities: Relationships

Write approximately 300 words in German.

In your answer you will be assessed on how well you:

- present and support a point of view
- write for a specific audience and/or purpose and/or context
- demonstrate accuracy and variety of vocabulary and sentence structures
- structure and sequence ideas and information.

1. *In unserer Gesellschaft haben Immigranten die gleichen Chancen wie Einheimische. Schreiben Sie einen Zeitungsartikel zu diesem Thema.*

In our society immigrants have the same opportunities as those who were born here. Write a newspaper article on this topic.

2. *Es gibt zu viel Toleranz gegenüber denjenigen, die die Umwelt schädigen. Schreiben Sie einen Zeitungsartikel zu diesem Thema.*

There is too much tolerance towards those who harm the environment. Write a newspaper article on this topic.

3. *Das Thema eines Aufsatzwettbewerbs ist: „Ich mache genau das, was ich will, ohne Rücksicht auf andere.“ Stimmen Sie dieser Äußerung zu? Schreiben Sie einen kurzen Aufsatz zu diesem Thema für den Wettbewerb.*

The topic of a short essay competition is "I'll do exactly what I want, no matter whom it affects." Do you agree with this statement? Write a short essay on this topic for the competition.

4. *In unserer Gesellschaft sind alle Vorurteile schon abgebaut worden. Schreiben Sie den Entwurf für eine Rede an Ihre Jahrgangsstufe zu diesem Thema.*

In our society all prejudices have already been removed. Write a draft of a speech to your class on this topic.

5. *Schreiben Sie einen Brief an die Zeitschrift „Heute“ zum Thema: „Hausmann sein ist für Männer immer noch ein inakzeptabler Beruf. Das ändert sich nie“.*

Write a letter to the editor from the magazine *Heute* on the following topic: "To be a 'houseman' is an unacceptable career option for men. That will never change."

6. *Der Anteil alter Menschen an der Bevölkerung wächst. Sie werden jedoch oft zu respektlos behandelt, was ihnen das Leben schwer macht. Schreiben Sie den Entwurf für eine Rede an Ihre Jugendklubmitglieder zu diesem Thema.*

The number of older people in the population is increasing. However they are often treated without respect which makes life difficult for them. Write the script of a speech to the members of your youth club on this topic.

7. *Sie nehmen an einem Schulwettbewerb teil. Das Thema lautet: "Zu oft sieht die Gesellschaft Senioren als eine Last an, statt sie als eine Quelle von Erfahrung und Kompetenz zu schätzen." Schreiben Sie einen Aufsatz, in dem Sie Ihre Einstellung äußern.*

You are entering a local schools' competition with the following topic: "Seniors are too often seen as a burden rather than having a wealth of knowledge and experience from which society can take advantage." Write a short essay expressing your opinion on this topic.



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### Writing in German: Marking guidelines

The following marking guidelines were developed by the Board of Studies NSW as part of the 2007 German Extension examination package.

Criteria	Marks
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Presents and develops a sophisticated, coherent argument, discussion or explanation</li><li>• Writes effectively and perceptively for a specific audience, purpose and context</li><li>• Demonstrates breadth and depth in the treatment of relevant ideas</li><li>• Writes with a high level of grammatical accuracy, and breadth and sophistication of vocabulary and sentence structure</li></ul>	13-15
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Presents and develops a coherent argument, discussion or explanation</li><li>• Writes effectively for a specific audience, purpose and context</li><li>• Demonstrates breadth and some depth in the use of relevant supporting material and examples</li><li>• Writes accurately using a range of vocabulary and sentence structures</li></ul>	10-12

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attempts to present and develop a coherent argument, discussion or explanation</li> <li>• Writes with some understanding of audience, purpose and context</li> <li>• Supports points with relevant material and examples</li> <li>• Writes using a range of vocabulary and sentence structures</li> </ul>	7-9
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presents some relevant information, opinions or ideas</li> <li>• Demonstrates the use of appropriate supporting materials</li> <li>• Demonstrates evidence of the use of complex sentences</li> </ul>	4-6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presents some relevant information, opinions or ideas</li> <li>• Communicates primarily in simple sentences or set formulae</li> </ul>	1-3

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