

## Task 2

Write the report for an educated non-specialist audience for or against the following topic.

Prompt: Over the past fifty years' sport has played an increasingly important role in our society as a substitute for war, Therefore the vast amount of money spent on international competitions such as the Olympic Games can be justified.

It is true that after the World War 2, a significant volume of money spent on many activities including sports which satisfies the desire of rivalry among nations. Subsequently I comply with the argument that clearly advantages of such expenditure outweigh the drawbacks.

One of the first many plus points of sport competitions like the Olympic, that positively can be justified, is leading a variety of people from various societies to profound understanding of their counterparts which bring about correlation, cognitive developments and in time, reduce the amount of racialism throughout the world. Besides it can trigger the economic growth and even be the means of glowing the nations who are among weaker ones. For instance, shining of Senegal soccer team who were from one of the poorest countries in the entire world in 2002 World Cup, bring on many attentions from other nations, Therefore, these, results in thrive of the country in the following years.

On the contrary to the benefits of sport events in parallel with plentiful costs, occasionally because of the pressure placed on teams or single-players by media and population of that country, competitions become more like a war which is far away from the basic athletic morals that sports build upon. An exquisite example of such, is the animosity between the Argentina and the England. In this case sport competitions even caused more hostility and conflict among the general population of the two, in which because of the vandalism, organizers are forced to spend much more money than originally planned for the match. However, with adequate basic educational programmes these kind of negative effects could be preventable.

In conclusion, although some people believe that these amount of expenditure are extravagant, I insist that collectively, owing to the technical and empirical outcomes seen through the past half of a century on sport competitions as an appropriate war replacement, the aftermath was very positive and convincing, thereby spending vast amount of money is completely rational and justified.