

IN-CLASS PRACTICE · ENGLISH CLASS 08 · TONES OF PASSAGES — PART 6

**Tone – Miscellaneous (Advocacy & Argument Family)**

Polemical · Argumentative · Accusative · Persuasive · Exhortative ( PO · AR · AC · PE · EX )

DATE _____	TOTAL MARKS <b>50</b>	DURATION <b>30 minutes</b>	MARKING <b>+1 / -0</b>	TARGET <b>≥ 42 / 50</b>
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**FIVE FLAVOURS OF ADVOCACY** Every passage in this set tries to MOVE the reader. Decide HOW the author is moving you — attacking an opposing idea (PO), proving a claim (AR), assigning blame (AC), winning your agreement (PE), or urging immediate action (EX).

**PO · POLEMICAL**

Attacks an opposing viewpoint, ideology, or group.  
 CUES · dangerous illusion · deeply flawed · laughable · proponents ignore · intellectually dishonest

**AR · ARGUMENTATIVE**

Proves a claim using evidence and reasoning.  
 CUES · because · therefore · studies show · evidence supports · justified · warranted

**AC · ACCUSATIVE**

Assigns blame to a specific actor.  
 CUES · failed to · negligence · ignored warnings · bears responsibility · held accountable · cannot evade

**PE · PERSUASIVE**

Wins agreement through benefits and appeal.  
 CUES · can · should consider · benefits · worth · enrich · more people may find · valuable

**EX · EXHORTATIVE**

Urges action: imperative + urgency.  
 CUES · must act now · start today · take steps · stand up · begin · waiting is not an option

**SECTION 1 · THREE-LINER IDENTIFICATION**

Q 1-50 | Mark PO / AR / AC / PE / EX | ~35 SEC/Q

**Section 1 · Three-liner identification (Mark one of PO / AR / AC / PE / EX)**

3-LINERS | Q 1-50 | 50 Qs

**Q1.** The belief that standardized testing accurately measures intelligence is fundamentally flawed. It ignores creativity, emotional intelligence, and practical problem-solving skills. Defenders of the system refuse to acknowledge its shortcomings.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q2.** Public transportation deserves greater investment because it reduces traffic congestion, lowers emissions, and improves accessibility. Cities with strong transit systems often experience higher economic productivity. Therefore, expanding public transport is a sound policy choice.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q3.** Government officials were repeatedly warned about the deteriorating condition of the bridge. Their failure to act directly contributed to the disaster. They cannot evade responsibility for the tragedy.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q4.** Switching to energy-efficient appliances can significantly reduce electricity bills. It also benefits the environment by lowering energy consumption. Consumers should seriously consider making this change.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q5.** We must act immediately to reduce plastic waste before irreversible damage is done to marine ecosystems. Every individual can contribute through small but meaningful choices. The time for complacency has passed.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q6.** The notion that social media has strengthened public discourse is laughable. It has amplified misinformation and encouraged superficial engagement. Celebrating it as a democratic tool ignores reality.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q7.** Studies consistently show that early childhood education improves long-term academic outcomes. Children exposed to quality preschool programs tend to perform better later in life. Increased funding is therefore justified.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q8.** The corporation knowingly concealed evidence about the harmful effects of its products. Internal documents clearly reveal deliberate deception. The company bears responsibility for the resulting harm.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q9.** Reading regularly enhances vocabulary, critical thinking, and concentration. These benefits extend far beyond academic success. Developing a reading habit can enrich one's life considerably.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q26.** The romanticization of colonialism ignores exploitation, violence, and systemic inequality. Such narratives distort historical reality. They deserve vigorous challenge.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q27.** Artificial intelligence can improve healthcare through earlier diagnoses and personalized treatment plans. Emerging evidence supports these possibilities. Continued investment is warranted.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q28.** Officials neglected infrastructure maintenance despite repeated warnings from engineers. Their failure created foreseeable risks. The resulting collapse was not accidental.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q29.** Cycling provides both environmental and health benefits. It reduces traffic congestion while promoting physical fitness. More people may find it a practical alternative.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q30.** Protect endangered species before their populations decline beyond recovery. Future generations deserve to inherit a rich natural world. Conservation efforts must intensify now.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q31.** The belief that wealth automatically trickles down to all members of society lacks convincing evidence. Decades of inequality challenge this assumption. Its proponents ignore uncomfortable facts.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q32.** Smaller class sizes allow teachers to provide more individualized attention. Research suggests this can improve learning outcomes. Educational institutions should consider such reforms.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q33.** The disaster resulted from years of administrative incompetence. Critical recommendations were repeatedly ignored. Authorities must answer for their failures.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q34.** Practicing mindfulness can reduce stress and improve emotional regulation. Many people report greater well-being after adopting it. It is worth considering.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q35.** Communities must reduce dependence on single-use plastics immediately. Delaying action will only worsen environmental damage. Change begins with individual choices.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q36.** The glorification of excessive consumerism has created unsustainable lifestyles. It encourages waste and undermines genuine well-being. Society must rethink these values.  
 PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q10.** Citizens must participate actively in democratic processes rather than remaining passive observers. Voting and civic engagement are essential to preserving democratic institutions. The future depends on collective action.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q11.** The obsession with economic growth at any cost is a dangerous ideology. It prioritizes profits over human well-being and environmental sustainability. Its supporters ignore the devastating consequences.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q12.** Renewable energy sources are becoming increasingly affordable. Their environmental benefits and long-term economic advantages make them viable alternatives to fossil fuels. Investment should therefore increase.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q13.** Years of regulatory negligence allowed unsafe practices to continue unchecked. Authorities ignored repeated warnings from experts. Their inaction contributed directly to the crisis.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q14.** Learning a second language improves cognitive flexibility and cultural awareness. It also creates professional opportunities in an interconnected world. Students can benefit greatly from acquiring this skill.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q15.** Communities should start planting more trees to combat rising urban temperatures. Even small initiatives can improve air quality and public health. Everyone has a role to play.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q16.** Those who claim climate change is not a serious threat disregard overwhelming scientific evidence. Such arguments are intellectually irresponsible and dangerously misleading. They hinder meaningful progress.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q17.** Remote work can increase productivity by reducing commuting time and improving work-life balance. Several studies support these findings. Organizations should consider adopting flexible policies.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q18.** The administration ignored multiple reports highlighting safety concerns. Had these warnings been addressed, the accident could have been prevented. Responsibility lies squarely with decision-makers.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q19.** Supporting local businesses strengthens community economies and preserves local character. Consumers can make a meaningful difference through their purchasing choices. Such support benefits everyone.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q20.** People must reduce water consumption before shortages become more severe. Conservation efforts today can prevent significant hardship tomorrow. Action cannot be delayed.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q21.** The argument that censorship protects society from harmful ideas is deeply flawed. It often suppresses legitimate dissent and undermines freedom of expression. History repeatedly demonstrates this danger.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q22.** Public parks contribute to physical health, mental well-being, and community cohesion. Research consistently supports these benefits. Cities should preserve and expand green spaces.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q23.** Executives prioritized profits despite clear evidence of environmental damage. Their decisions placed communities at risk. They must be held accountable.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q24.** Volunteering offers opportunities to develop skills while helping others. It can strengthen social connections and improve personal well-being. More people should explore volunteer work.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q25.** Students should cultivate critical thinking skills instead of accepting information uncritically. In an age of misinformation, careful analysis is essential. Begin questioning assumptions today.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q37.** Investing in preventive healthcare reduces long-term medical costs. Early intervention often prevents more serious conditions from developing. Policymakers should recognize these advantages.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q38.** Company executives ignored evidence of workplace hazards. Their decisions exposed employees to unnecessary risks. Accountability is unavoidable.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q39.** Learning basic financial literacy can help individuals make informed decisions. Better budgeting and saving habits improve financial security. These skills are valuable for everyone.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q40.** Take steps now to improve digital literacy and online safety. Cyber threats are becoming increasingly sophisticated. Waiting is not an option.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q41.** The claim that economic inequality is merely the result of personal effort oversimplifies a complex issue. Structural barriers play a significant role. Ignoring them is intellectually dishonest.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q42.** Libraries provide access to knowledge regardless of socioeconomic status. They support education, research, and lifelong learning. Continued public investment is justified.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q43.** Leaders failed to prepare adequately despite receiving advance warnings. Their negligence intensified the crisis. Responsibility cannot be denied.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q44.** Spending time in nature improves mental health and reduces stress. Even brief exposure can have measurable benefits. People should make time for outdoor activities.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q45.** Support renewable energy initiatives in your community. Collective action can reduce dependence on fossil fuels. The opportunity to make a difference exists now.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q46.** The portrayal of scientific expertise as elitist is a dangerous trend. It undermines informed decision-making and public trust. Such rhetoric deserves criticism.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q47.** Research indicates that flexible work schedules improve employee satisfaction. They can also reduce turnover and increase productivity. Employers should examine these findings carefully.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q48.** The crisis escalated because regulators failed to enforce existing rules. Their lack of oversight allowed violations to continue unchecked. They share substantial blame.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q49.** Developing strong communication skills benefits both personal and professional relationships. Effective communication fosters understanding and collaboration. Investing in this ability is worthwhile.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

**Q50.** Stand up against discrimination whenever you encounter it. Silence often enables injustice to persist. Meaningful change requires active participation.

PO  AR  AC  PE  EX

 **Attack. Prove. Blame. Convince. Demand. — five intentions, five tones.**  
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