

## 90 – Preview Answers



### You try

Answers will vary

Write a sentence giving an opinion on each topic. You can use I think/believe/feel... to start.

1. Taxes.

*e.g. I believe all people should pay the same amount of tax.*

*I believe people should pay a similar percentage of their income in taxes.*

2. Education.

*I feel everyone should have the same educational opportunities.*

3. International politics.

*I think countries shouldn't use war to enforce their own interests abroad.*

4. China.

*I feel China should regulate some of its industries more strictly.*

5. The USA.

*I feel the USA should treat other countries with respect.*

6. My country.

*I think my country shouldn't send troops abroad.*

7. Healthy lifestyle.

*I think everyone should try exciting new foods in order to eat more vegetables.*

8. The future.

*I believe we will all have flying cars by the end of the year.*

Now choose one of the sentences you wrote above and explain your opinion in more detail using reasons and/or beliefs.

*Eating fruits and vegetables is very healthy, but if you don't enjoy them you won't continue to eat them. Also some studies show that you get more nutritional benefit from food you enjoy than food you force yourself to eat. But many people have a certain image of vegetables and haven't tried different kinds or different dishes using familiar vegetables. Exploring new foods can be fun and delicious, and you don't have to pressure yourself to like everything because there are always more options.*



### Try this

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Use the sentence starters below to disagree with each of the following statements.

*Maybe so, but...*

*I see your point, but...*

*I see what you're saying, but...*

1. I can't see air, so it's not real.

*I see what you're saying, but you can perceive air through other senses, such as touch. You can't always see water, either, but it's still real.*

2. This lucky bracelet protects me from monsters.

*Maybe so, but it doesn't work on tigers. I'll give you this tiger protection rock for \$20.*

3. We need to get rid of all cars in order to stop global warming.

*I see your point, but giving up beef reduces greenhouse gases more than giving up driving.*

4. My horoscope was right last month, so it must be right all the time.

*Maybe so, but it could have been a coincidence.*

5. Nuclear power technology is dangerous and we should stop using it.

*Maybe so, but some of the alternatives create a lot of pollution.*

6. Everyone should go to university.

*Maybe so, but not everyone can afford the tuition.*

7. That child is overweight, so he will be overweight when he grows up.

*Maybe so, but he might be putting on weight before a growth spurt.*

8. I'm not going to vote in the election, because I can't make a difference.

*I see your point, but that is just what the politicians in power want you to think.*