

Connectivity Level 4
Optional Writing Task

UNIT 10

WRITING TASK: Write an opinion essay

To the Teacher: Hand out the next page to the students. Have students complete their writing task in the space provided.

Vocabulary:

Personal qualities: *sociable, a loner, active, sedentary, laid back, high-strung, adventurous, individualist, an idealist*

Attitudes towards risk: *“big T” personality, “little T” personality, faint of heart, live on the edge, adrenaline rush, risk-taker, risk-avoider*

GSE Objectives:

ALWP0083: Can support a main idea with examples and reasons. (57)

GLWP0292: Can support ideas with relevant examples. (59)

GLVC0608d: Can use language related to personality, abilities and traits. (59-75)

GLWP0013: Can systematically develop an argument giving the reasons for or against a point of view. (67)

GLWI0376: Can convey information and ideas on abstract and concrete topics. (70)

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Directions: Think about why some people enjoy risky or dangerous activities. Write two to three paragraphs. Explain what causes people to behave in this way. Give examples to support your opinions. Use the following questions for ideas.

- What are the character traits of risk-takers?
- What kinds of risky or dangerous activities do they enjoy?
- How do you think they feel when doing these activities?
- Do you think people are born to be risk-takers?

Write your paragraphs:

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