## 2019 年雅思写作考题回顾和范文

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Individuals can do nothing to improve the environment. Only governments and large companies can make a difference. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this opinion?

The problems facing the environment have become big news. Serious problems such as melting ice-caps, the greenhouse effect and single-use plastic have become major issues over the last few decades. Some commentators believe people can help to solve these difficulties whereas others, **point the finger** at industry and the world authorities to **take the lead** in making the environment better.

Certainly, individuals do have a responsibility to make sure what they do and what they consume is sustainable. First of all, all citizens of the world should try to **cut down** on their use of single-use plastics. This waste is killing the planet to the extent that even at the micro-level plastic fragments are being found in the bodies of fish and other animals. For example, who can forget the recent image of a sea-turtle with a plastic straw stuck up its nose? Consequently, in the case of single-use plastic individuals have a responsibility to stop using this material.

On the other hand, for major issues such as the melting ice caps and the greenhouse effect, governments and large companies are, in my view, **duty bound** to protect our planet. For example, companies can attempt to become carbon negative in the future by changing the way they work. Furthermore, governments can pass legislation which forces both individuals and companies to change their behaviour **in line with** current green principles.

To conclude, I agree that individuals, governments and large companies should all work **hand-in-hand** to address the serious problems facing the world today in terms of improving the environment.

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## Vocabulary

**point the finger at (one)** (idiom) To indicate that one is guilty of (doing) something; to blame or accuse one of (doing) something. She'll say that she doesn't blame anyone, but I know that, in her heart, she points the finger at me. Now, I'm not pointing the finger at anyone in particular, but someone here has been stealing food from the communal refrigerator.

**take the lead** (idiom) To be the primary person working on something; to assert oneself as the leader.

I have meetings all day, so please take the lead on this project, Joan.

cut down (idiom) To reduce something.

My doctor told me that I need to cut down on eating fried foods in order to improve my cholesterol.

If the school board cuts down on funding for the arts, then what will become of the theater program?

**be duty bound (idiom)** To be obligated or expected to do something. Now that our parents are dead, I'm duty bound to care for my siblings. As a parent, you are duty bound to protect your child.

**in line with** (idiom) In conformity or agreement; within ordinary or proper limits.

For example, The new policy was intended to keep prices in line with their competitors, or It's up to the supervisor to keep the nurses in line.

**hand in hand** (idiom) To work alongside or in conjunction (with someone or something else), especially in pursuit of a common goal.

Our company works hand in hand with market research firms to ensure that our clients' advertising reaches the broadest and most well suited audiences possible.

The two drugs work hand in hand to combat the disease—one fighting the original infection, the other helping to repair damaged cells and tissue.

范文解析:

这篇范文,是一篇典型的环境类话题的观点型大作文。从题目中的问题可以看出, "To what extent do you agree or disagree with this opinion?"是观点型大作文的 最常见的提问方式。作者在写这篇范文时,开头段使用了背景句+改写题目呈现 争论的方法;主体段部分使用了主题句+分论点的结构进行写作,同时,用举例 的方式对论点进行支持论述;结尾段部分,作者对于上述观点进行了总结,结尾 段并不需要出现新的观点。在这篇范文中,作者使用了大量的 discourse markers (语篇标记),例如: certainly, first of all, for example 和 furthermore 等。使 用 discourse markers 可以使文章的逻辑更加清晰,是作文获得高分的方法之一。 同时,在文章中有许多值得学习的单词和表达,同学们可以进行模仿练习。范文 中所呈现的写作结构在启德 2018 雅思标准化教材的强化段第六课有详细地介 绍。环境类文章的写作技巧和思路也会在标准化教材中有详细地讲解,如果大家 想学习更多关于雅思写作的内容,欢迎大家来启德上课。

