

Task 7: Essay planning

'Society would be happier without religion because it is infantile, repressive and causes conflict.' Discuss.



Use the table below to make notes and prepare to fully respond to the question. You need to **hand in a full written response** to this question, the table here is just to help you prepare. If you would like to include more than one paragraph for and/or against the statement that's fabulous...just make sure you have a minimum of four detailed and developed paragraphs.

Introduction	A good evaluation response should have an introduction, which shows the examiner that you know and understand the statement you are evaluating. It is good practice to outline key ideas and then offer a THESIS STATEMENT – i.e. what is your response to the statement?
Paragraph One	You now need to set out those points which support the statement. You should not include your own opinion here. This is your opportunity to show that you understand the arguments in support of the statement. Try to use specific scholars and give examples to support your argument.
Paragraph Two	You now need to set out those points which challenge the statement. You should not include your own opinion here. This is your opportunity to show that you understand the arguments which challenge the statement. Try to use specific scholars and give examples to support your argument.
Conclusion	This is where you can put forward your own opinion about whether religion is a positive or negative factor in society. Remember to explain how and why you have come to this conclusion. Your conclusion should be in keeping with your THESIS STATEMENT!