**Communication Task: Writing**

**Year 7 Discursive Writing Planning Sheet**

**Discussion point**

The benefits of owning a mobile phone far outweigh the disadvantages.

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**Overview**: General opening statement about the popularity/predominance/use of mobile phones in our daily lives

According to the latest figures, there are 5 billion mobiles phones used worldwide. The number of mobile connections is now nearly equivalent to three quarters of the world’s population and there is an entire generation who cannot image life without their mobile. Do the benefits of mobiles far outweigh the disadvantages?

 **Reasons in favour of this argument**

Be Safe

Mobile phones can be a safety measure for young people in school. Children can now bring mobile phones to school as the lawmakers realised the need for immediate emergency contact between children and their parents. Parents can feel more confident knowing their child can call home if need be and the same goes to the children in school.

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Talk Anywhere

Keeping in touch has never been easier. Mobile phones fit in your purse or pocket. With many countries passing a hands-free law you may be required to connect your mobile to ear devices that allow you to talk while you drive. The advantage of mobile phones is that you no longer must worry about taking that call while driving as a speaker can pick up your voice and you can accept calls while on the go. You no longer have to worry about a family member driving late at night they now can accept calls while driving. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Text Messages

Mobile phones allow you to send short messages known as text messages to other mobile phones and through some landline services. You type short messages through the mobile phone as written words or voice activation. Often this a silent process and therefore covert and ultra-covert at times when talking is not allowed. For landline delivery the person receives a voicemail. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***Remember the PEE rule!***

***P*** *-Make a point concisely and clearly*

***E****- Give evidence to support your point*

***E****-Explain your thoughts in detail regarding this point*

