

Write a composition of about 700–1300 characters on one of the topics. Follow the guidance.

1. Traffic my way

What would you like to change in today's traffic in your area? What are the major problems and how would you go about solving them? You have been asked to give a speech at your local youth council. Write this

5. The pros and cons of stem cell research

There are quite a few ethical problems and debates surrounding the use of human embryonic stem cells. Is it morally acceptable to destroy an embryo cell if it has the potential to cure countless patients? At what point does life begin? Discuss the pros and cons of stem cell research.

6. Can anyone become truly immortal?

10. Anonymous or not?

What is your view on posting anonymous comments online? What are the pros and cons of staying anonymous?

11. The world would be better off without...

Write a blog post about something that you feel the world would be better off without. What kind of invention or thing shouldn't exist in your view and why?

Tai YO-kirjoituksista

A) Opinion piece on military service

The Finnish Conscripts' Union is gathering young people's opinions about general conscription. At the moment, all Finnish men between the ages of 18 and 60 must either perform military or non-military service. Women can apply for voluntary military service. What do you think and why? Write your text to the union stating and arguing for your opinion

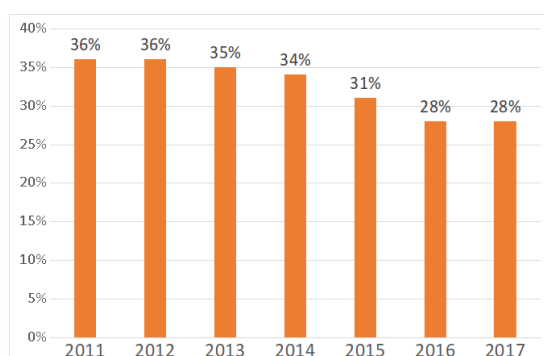
B) The Future of the Olympic Games

The International Olympic Committee wants to hear how young people see the future of the games. Write an essay about your vision of the future of the Olympic Games.

C) Reading habits are dying – or are they?

People are said to be reading less and less, and their literacy skills are declining. At the same time, we spend more and more time reading on our phones, and reading new types of texts. Your school is participating in a global data gathering project on young people's thoughts on this issue. Write a text presenting your views. You can use the information in the two graphs below to back up your views.

Share of people reading books in Finland from 2011 to 2017



Time spent reading books daily in Finland from 2011 to 2017 (in minutes)

