CPE Writing part 1: Formal essay

# Structure:

## Introduction:

* Introduce topic that links both texts.
* Ask questions that texts will attempt to answer.
* Finish with sentence similar to these:

Both (1) **extracts** (2) **discuss** the nature of these (3) **notions**, but from different (4) **viewpoints**.

\*synonyms for words in bold

EXAMPLE:

## Paragraph 1

* Introduce main idea of first text:

The first (1)**text** (2)**argues** that………

* Personal reaction to main idea:

I personally feel……

From where I stand……

I would agree…….

I tend to agree / disagree……

## Paragraph 2

* Contrast linker to open paragraph. Sentence structure:

(1) **In contrast**, the second (2)**text** (3)**proposes** that….. (introduce main idea of second text)

* Personal reaction to main idea from second text using another expression of opinion.

## Conclusion

* Concluding linker: All in all, In brief, In conclusion, To summarise.
* Brief recap of ideas from texts.
* Restate your ideas based on texts.