

The first car appeared on British road in 1888. However, the year 2000 saw as many as 29 million vehicles on British roads.

Alternative forms of transport should be encouraged and international laws should be introduced to control car ownership and use. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

EXPLANATION:

THIS IS AN OPINION>>>PERSONAL VIEW POINT QUESTION. THE FIRST TWO SENTENCES IN THE QUESTION SHOW THE LEVEL OF HIKE IN THE NUMBER OF CARS ON BRITISH ROADS. IF WE LOOK AT THE THIRD SENTENCE, IT SHOWS A SUGGESTION TO CONTROL THE USE OF CAR OWNERSHIP AND USE.

SO, THE FIRST TWO SENTENCES DEALS WITH A PROBLEM (UNPARALLELED INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF CARS) THIS MAY BE DUE TO MANY REASONS (ECONOMIC FREEDOM OF THE CUSTOMER, ADVERTS ON NEW MODELS OF CARS, COMFORT AND PRIVACY). WE NEED TO MAKE OUT THAT THIS SURGE IN THE NUMBER OF CARS WOULD NOT BRING A DESIRABLE OUTPUT. INSTEAD IT MAY RESULT IN SOME PROBLEMS LIKE POLLUTION, TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND ACCIDENTS.

THE THIRD SENTENCE DEALS WITH A SOLUTION: HERE, TWO SUGGESTIONS ARE MADE. THE FIRST ONE IS ALTERNATIVE FORM OF

TRANSPORT. THE SECOND IS IMPLEMENTING NEW INTERNATIONAL LAWS TO CONTROL CAR OWNERSHIP AND ITS USE.

NOW, WE CAN LOOK AT THE QUESTION: DO YOU AGREE THAT THESE TWO SUGGESTIONS CAN BRING POSITIVE CHANGES? IF YES, YOU CAN AGREE TO THE STATEMENT. IF NO, YOU CAN DISAGREE TO THE STATEMENT.

IF YOU THINK THESE SUGGESTIONS ARE GOOD, BUT MORE SUGGESTIONS ARE THERE, YOU CAN INCLUDE THOSE.

IF YOU THINK THIS WILL EVOKE A MIXED RESPONSE, YOU CAN STATE THAT.

NOW, LOOK AT THE FIRST STUDENT'S RESPONSE:

*People opt for personal vehicles for easy and comfortable means of transport. Because of this, there has been an increase in number of cars on roads. **In my opinion**, I believe that a different form of transport or laws that can control such usage of cars should be encouraged.*

CORRECTION: THE FIRST SENTENCE IS IRRELEVANT HERE AS IT IS NOT THE SOLE RESPONSIBLE FACTOR

The cardinal reason for using an alternative mode of transport is there will be less pollution on roads. People can switch on to environmental friendly vehicles. In other words, they can adapt to pollution free electrical vehicles or cycles which leads to a little consumption of fossil fuels. It is notable for instance, various areas who have switched to eco-friendly devices, have noted a decrease in the impact of the atmosphere compared to the times when air pollution could not be

reduced by any means. Therefore, using any sustainable form of vehicle can save all humankind from depleting the Earth's ozone layer.

CORRECTION: IN THIS PARAGRAPH, YOU NEED TO SAY WHY YOU AGREE TO THE STATEMENT. THIS MEANS YOU NEED TO PRESENT THE ISSUE FIRST.

A further reason for introducing laws to control car ownership is there will be less congestion and traffic on roads. People can walk or use the public transport to avoid such a rush and bustling roads. Furthermore, laws should include limited purchase of cars in families which can lead to more clear roads in future.

CORRECTION: AGAIN, PRESENT THE PROBLEM FIRST AND MENTION ABOUT THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SUCH 'INTERNATIONAL LAWS'.

While, on the other hand, owning a car adds to using it anytime, anywhere. It can help in an easy and pleasant journey. Thus, people opt to such fashionable trends of possessing cars for an easy means of transport.

CORRECTION: THE PARAGRAPH HAS NO DIRECT RELATION TO THE QUESTION. IT JUST SHOWS THE BENEFITS OF USING A PERSONAL CAR.

To conclude, though using cars are beneficial to people in emergency situations, I personally feel that using more number of cars can foster not only pollution growth but also overcrowded roads.

CORRECTION: YOUR CONCLUSION IS NOT ANSWERING THE QUESTION. THE QUESTION IS THAT WHETHER YOU AGREE TO THE SUGGESTIONS OR NOT.

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NOW, LOOK AT THE SECOND RESPONSE:

There is no doubt that the presence of large number of cars on the roads is **one of the major reasons for environmental pollution around the globe.** Therefore, I agree that alternative modes of transportation should be encouraged and international laws should be propagated **to curtail car ownership and use.**

CORRECTION: HERE, IN THE FIRST SENTENCE, A PROBLEM IS ADDRESSED (ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION). BUT IN THE SECOND SENTENCE YOU AGREED TO A SUGGESTION TO SOLVE A DIFFERENT PROBLEM (INCREASED USE OF CAR OWNERSHIP AND USE). THE FIRST SENTENCE GIVES YOU AN IDEA THAT THE PROBLEM HERE IS ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION DUE TO INCREASED NUMBER OF CARS ON THE ROADS.

Alternative means of eco-friendly travel can bring about many positive changes. Most importantly, it will decrease the amount of air pollution caused by the smoke from the engines. This smoke emission degrades human health by bring about various sicknesses and respiratory ailments like lung disease and cancer. On the contrary, ways of commuting like walking, riding a bicycle, skating or even travelling by public transport are energy-efficient methods. For example, Shanghai has one of the worst cases of traffic jams and

health issues resulting from smoke emitted from cars. Therefore, many people prefer commuting to work or elsewhere on their bicycles to lead healthier lives and avoid traffic blocks.

CORRECTION: HOW ALTERNATIVE MODE OF TRANSPORTATION IS HELPFUL IS ADDRESSED HERE. YES, YOU ARE RIGHT, BUT BEFORE THAT WE NEED TO SEE, WHAT PREDISPOSING FACTORS LEAD INDIVIDUALS/GOVERNMENTS TO TAKE SUCH A STAND.

Consequently, stringent rules should be formulated in order to minimise the presence of cars on the roads. Rules and regulations pertaining to ownership of the number of cars per person as well as a drastic increase in car value can discourage people from purchasing cars as a symbol of status and luxury over necessity. As a result, the environment will benefit greatly as people turn to more eco-friendly modes of transport.

CORRECTION: HOW IMPLEMENTING LAWS CAN HELP REDUCE THE PRESENCE OF CARS? THIS IS THE FIRST IMPRESSION, WHEN WE READ THE FIRST SENTENCE. BUT WHEN WE REACH THE LAST SENTENCE, THE TOPIC HAS CHANGED TO ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS OF SUCH LAWS.

Thus, I believe that other modes of viable transport must be prompted over cars to reduce the impact of air and noise pollution **and for this**, stricter rules and regulations should be implemented for car utilisation and ownership.

CORRECTION: 'AND FOR THIS'? IS IT TO REDUCE THE IMPACT OF AIR AND NOISE POLLUTION? OR TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF CARS ON ROAD?

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NOW LOOK AT A BETTER RESPONSE:

The ever increasing number of cars is a much alarming situation as it causes many social, economic and environmental problems across the globe. Therefore, I agree that alternative modes of transportation should be encouraged and international laws should be propagated to curtail car ownership and use.

From the social perspective, the most crucial issue arises from the swelling car numbers is the bottleneck congestion, which we can see in cities such as Shanghai. When people face such problems, it elevates their stress and this often results in traffic violations and accidents. From the economic perspective, a considerable proportion of a family budget is outsourced for the purchase and maintenance of private automobiles. The issue is worse in case of families with personal cars for their members. From the environmental perspective, the more the number of cars on the road, the more the carbon concentration in the atmosphere. This decreases the air quality, and in extreme cases, it is measured ‘hazardous’.

The aforementioned factors will naturally put pressure on any authority to find an alternative form of transport and to formulate stringent laws which are valid globally. I think, the governments should seriously think about other ways for commuting, without compromising the comfort and convenience of the passenger. For example, the public transport system should be made better by extending the distance covered and by making the services more frequent. Car pooling is another alternative, which should be

encouraged especially among those who work under the same employer. To bring down the number of private cars on the roads, international laws such as levying hefty taxes on every new automobile purchase and road space rationing can be implemented.

If both alternative modes of transport and international laws are made practical, I think it can benefit the society, the economy and finally the environment. And if the existing situation is allowed to continue, the world might suffer seriously.

CORRECTION: THERE IS A PROBLEM IN EXPLAINING PROPERLY HOW THESE MEASURES CAN BRING DOWN THE NUMBER OF CARS ON ROADS. HOWEVER, THIS IS NOT A SERIOUS ISSUE. SO, WE CAN SAY IT IS A BALANCED ESSAY.

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