

Working from home: good or bad? vocabulary

Complete the sentences at the top of the page with the appropriate words and complete the sentences at the bottom of the page with your own ideas.



1 People are happier when they have lots of _____.



2 You need to talk to people _____ to really understand them.



3 There might be many _____ when working at home.



6 These days _____ is unexpectedly easy.



4 _____ face crowded trains and buses everyday.



7 Companies worry that staff at home might not _____.



5 Your life is much more _____ if you work at home.



8 One problem of working at home is social _____.



13 Companies will need less _____ if people work from home.



12 _____ is easier in the office.



11 People are more _____ in an office.



10 You will _____ if you work at home.



9 Another problem of working at home might be _____.

Working from home

advantages

disadvantages

Working in an office

advantages

disadvantages

Answers

- 1 social interaction
- 2 face to face
- 3 distractions
- 4 Commuters
- 5 flexible
- 6 working remotely
- 7 work as a team
- 8 isolation
- 9 motivation
- 10 save money
- 11 stressed
- 12 Collaboration
- 13 office space

Parts of speech for the working from home

Noun	Verb	Adjective	Adverb
a	X	independent	
b			distractedly
c	interact	X	X
d	X	flexible	
e isolation			X
f	motivate		X
g		social	X
h	X	remote	
i			collaboratively
i	adapt		X

Complete the sentences with words from the table.

- 1 My younger brothers and sisters are noisy. They are big _____ in my house.
- 2 I can plan my life as I please, so my life is more _____.
- 3 I feel _____ without face to face interaction.
- 4 I use Zoom to attend classes _____.
- 5 To survive, you need to be able to _____ to new circumstances.
- 6 I have a problem _____ myself when my friends are not around to encourage me.
- 7 There are many online tools to help us _____ on group projects.
- 8 I enjoy parties because I enjoy _____ interaction.
- 9 Freedom and _____ help me be more creative.

Working from home answers

Noun	Verb	Adjective	Adverb
a independence	X	independent	independently
b distraction	distract	distracted	distractedly
c interaction	interact	X	X
d flexibility	X	flexible	flexibly
e isolation	isolate	isolated	X
f motivation	motivate	motivated	X
g society	socialize	social	sociably
h remote	X	remote	remotely
i collaboration	collaborate	collaborative	collaboratively
i adaptation	adapt	adaptable	X

Complete the sentences with words from the table.

- 1 My younger brothers and sisters are really noisy. They are big distractions in my house.
- 2 I can plan my life as I please, so my life is more flexible.
- 3 I feel isolated without face to face interaction.
- 4 I use Zoom to attend classes remotely.
- 5 To survive, you need to be able to adaptable to new circumstances.
- 6 I have a problem motivating myself when my friends are not around to encourage me.
- 7 There are many online tools to help us collaborate on group projects.
- 8 He enjoys parties because he enjoys social interaction.
- 9 Freedom and independence help me be more creative.

Counter arguments

Instructions: Write counter argument sentences for each topic.



1 Even though many companies think video conferencing is effective, _____



2 Working from home can be wonderful for families. However, it has some disadvantages. For example, _____



3 Some people disagree with the idea that having many job choices is good. They argue _____



4 While most people think family dinners are a good idea, _____



5 Finger print ID is good for security. However, one argument against having finger print ID on your phone _____



6 Watching TV is the most popular form of entertainment. Nonetheless, it has some disadvantages. For example, _____



7 Daydreaming can be a healthy and relaxing activity. Unfortunately, _____



8 Not everyone believes that people should return to work in the office after Covid-19.

Possible answers

1 Even though many companies think video conferencing is effective, some people think face to face communication is better.

2 Working from home can be wonderful for families. However, it has some disadvantages. For example, parents might have difficulty concentrating on their work.

3 Some people disagree with the idea that having many job choices is good. They argue that having too many choices can make you more stressed.

4 While most people think family dinners are a good idea, some people argue that it's a bad idea because you have to listen to your parents complaining everyday.

5 Finger print ID is good for security. However, one argument against having finger print ID on your phone is that it doesn't work if your fingers are wet.

6 Watching TV is the most popular form of entertainment. Nonetheless, it has some disadvantages. For example, it can ruin relationships if you stop communicating with family or friends.

7 Daydreaming can be a healthy and relaxing activity. Unfortunately, you can waste a lot of time if you do it too often.

8 Not everyone believes that people should return to work in the office after Covid-19. Some people believe it's hard to social distance all the time and workers who go to the office might get infected.

Argument Essay Outline

Working form home or working in the office: which is better?

Attention Getter:

Thesis:

Argument 1

Argument 2

Arguments

Supporting ideas

Argument 3

Supporting ideas

Supporting ideas

Counter-argument

Conclusion