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Rédiger une argumentation

Les outils linguistiques

► Introduire

- **It is generally agreed that / It is a well-known fact that / There's no denying that** human cloning raises serious ethical concern.
- **We may wonder whether / to what extent** the rumours regarding the cloning of the first human embryo are grounded.
- Human cloning is a **topical / burning / controversial issue** about which everyone feels concerned.
- **We must weigh the pros and cons / We have to consider the bright and seamy sides** of genetic research.

► Développer

• Ordonner

To begin with / First(ly) / First of all / In the first place / First and foremost, I will give a definition of globalization and show what its advantages can be. **Then / Next / Secondly**, I will explain why globalization causes such a stir. **Lastly / Eventually**, I will give my personal opinion on that topic.

• Illustrer

Globalization can have serious consequences on an economic level. **For example / For instance**, many large corporate companies (e.g. Microsoft) have moved their factories to developing countries **such as / like** Indonesia or Mexico, where they can get cheap labour force. **Thus** they can achieve their main aim, **namely / that is to say / i.e.** make more profit.

• Démontrer

Globalization can be said to have some bright sides. **Indeed**, as regards tourism, it contributes to maintaining low traveling costs. **Moreover / Furthermore / In addition / Besides / On top of that**, globalization helps reduce poverty in Third World countries. **Similarly / Likewise**, it can help some countries to free themselves from oppressive political regimes.

• Réfuter

However / Nevertheless / Yet, it should be borne in mind that because of massive relocation, unemployment increases in developed countries. **On the other hand, we shouldn't forget that** globalization encourages child labour.

► S'exprimer

- **As far as I'm concerned / As for me**, I wouldn't like to own a gun even if I had the right to.
- **In my view / To my mind / In my opinion**, guns should be banned.
- **I totally agree with** people who think that violent video games can influence young people's behaviour.
- **I approve of** marches and demonstrations against gun violence.
- **I disapprove of** parents who offer toy guns to their children for Christmas.
- **I strongly disagree with** the National Rifle Association's slogan which claims that "Guns don't kill people, people kill people."

► Conclure

- **As a conclusion / To conclude**, expatriation seems to be interesting.
- **To sum it up / To put it in a nutshell**, the advantages of working abroad outnumber its drawbacks.
- **All in all / All things considered**, I would be ready to go and live abroad on a trial basis.

Exemple

Voici un exemple de réponse à la question Would you like to be famous?

There's no denying that it must be quite thrilling to be famous. **Indeed**, it must be pleasant to be recognized, loved and admired all over the world. **What's more**, fame almost always rhymes with money, nice cars, designer clothes, five-star hotels, fine restaurants and far-away private beaches. **Last but not least**, being famous enables one to meet other celebrities **like** well-known actors or singers, successful sportspersons, affluent businessmen or powerful politicians.

However, it should be borne in mind that celebrity has its seamy sides, **such as** being harassed by paparazzi or stalked by obsessed fans, never being able to have a nice, pleasant stroll in a typically Parisian or Roman neighbourhood, having one's private life constantly displayed in the gutter press and so on.

That's why, **all things considered**, I don't think I would like to be famous!

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