



# STUDY GUIDE

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## ESSAY WRITING

### EXAMPLE TYPES OF ESSAYS- ANALYTICAL

“Why has there been an increase in the prevalence of asthma in children?”, topic - causal factors of childhood-diagnosed asthma.

#### INTRODUCTION 5%

Definition of asthma and how it is measured

Brief overview of current global trends in prevalence

Scope of essay (i.e. concentration on environmental causal factors, particularly focusing on diesel exhaust pollution, studies/data used)

#### MAIN BODY 85%

Identification and discussion of data trends

Description of trends

Comparison with global incidence and prevalence

Most likely causal factors - e.g. environmental

Data on traffic density and positive correlations

Identification of any contrary evidence or alternative explanations

#### CONCLUSION 10%

Summary of the data and findings and to what extent they reveal the cause of child asthma prevalence, highlighting the replication of correlation globally, but also where further research is required