

WPE Practice Topic:
A Difficult Choice

You will have 90 minutes to write on the essay topic that follows. Please read the directions below before you begin to write.

DIRECTIONS:

1. Read the topic a couple of times and note what it requires you to do. Complete all the tasks of the assignment.
2. You have 90 minutes to write on the essay topic. Take time to plan and organize your essay before you begin to write. (Scratch outlines are often quite helpful.)
3. Make sure that you support or illustrate general points with specific evidence and concrete examples.
4. Allow yourself enough time after writing to review your essay, check for errors and omissions, and make the necessary corrections.
5. The essay topic is designed to give you an opportunity to demonstrate your ability to write clearly and effectively. Perfection is not expected, but you should try to produce the best essay possible in the time allotted.

TOPIC:

Describe a situation in your life when you had difficulty making a particular choice. Examples may include deciding which college to attend, which automobile to purchase, what to buy as a gift for a special gift, etc.

There are two aspects of this topic to consider:

- (1) Describe the choice you had to make and why it was difficult to make it.
- (2) Then tell what you finally decided to do and the outcome of your decision.