

## “TÒPICS 1”

### Descriptive text:

Write a three paragraph text describing the cities of Grenoble (France) and Torino (Italy): **How you see them.**  
Approximate time: 2 hours

**Descriptive writing** is intended to create a **word picture** for the reader. When **describing** places, you may want to include:

- ∞ Location
- ∞ Physical characteristics, atmosphere
- ∞ Special features and points of interest
- ∞ People, way of life, culture of the place
- ∞ Historical details

## “TÒPICS 2”

### Argumentative text:

Write a three paragraph text giving reasons of agreement and disagreement about **as French and Italian students see our hometown**: Barcelona.  
Approximate time: 2 hours

When you want **to give reasons for your position**, you can use the following expressions to introduce your arguments:

#### To show cause

One reason for ... is  
This is because ...  
For that reason ...  
And that is why ...

#### To show result

As a result, ...  
Therefore, ...  
Consequently, ...

## “TÒPICS 3”

### Opinion text:

Write a three/four paragraph text **justifying your choice** and the final graphic composition.  
Approximate time: 2 hours

When **expressing opinions**, our purpose is to convince our reader that our point of view is correct. In order to do this, we need to present clear and convincing arguments and back them up with facts and examples.

When stating an opinion, we often use the following **words and expressions** to indicate our attitude:

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|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| - personally    | in my opinion                   |
| - undoubtedly   | I think / believe / feel (that) |
| - naturally     | it seems to me                  |
| - obviously     | as I see it                     |
| - of course     | I agree / disagree              |
| - in short      | as far as I'm concerned         |
| - in conclusion | to be honest                    |