**You need to write an answer to the following question;**

**Capital punishment should be brought back to Britain. Discuss**

Use the following essay structure to help you.

Capital punishment is… the most popular ways to execute people included…It was made illegal in Britain in… I am going to look at the reasons for and against it and come to my own conclusion…

**Opening Paragraph - Introduction.**

* Define capital punishment. [ ]
* State examples of capital punishment [ ]
* State when it was stopped in Britain. [ ]
* Tell the reader that you will look at reasons for and against from religious and non-religious examples. [ ]

Some people would argue that it is a suitable punishment because… Religions such as… also argue that it may be acceptable because… Capital punishment links back to the soul…

**Paragraph 1 – Reasons for capital punishment.**

* At least 3 non-religious arguments for capital punishment. [ ]
* At least 2 religious arguments for capital punishment. [ ]
* Refer to crimes that are punished with the death penalty. [ ]

**Paragraph 2 – Reasons against capital punishment.**

However, some people would argue that it is not a suitable punishment because… Religions such as… also argue that it is not acceptable because… Capital punishment links back to the soul…

* At least 3 non-religious arguments against capital punishment. [ ]
* At least 2 religious arguments against capital punishment. [ ]
* Are the reasons contradictory? [ ]

**Paragraph 3 – My opinion based on the two arguments.**

* State whether you agree or disagree – referring back to the original question [ ]
* Remind the reader of the best religious and non-religious reason. [ ]

Having looked at the arguments, I believed that capital punishment should / should not be brought back to Britain because…

**Connectives**

* Firstly, secondly, finally,
* In addition
* Furthermore
* Consequently

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* On the other hand
* In contrast
* Subsequently
* Upon reflection

