

Sample Prompt B

HELP SOLVE A PROBLEM

EXAMINEE INFORMATION

Situation

I am the mayor of your town and I have a problem. Find out what my problem is and offer me some good advice.

First

You should look at the pictures below and ask:

- What is the problem?
- What are the options?
- What are the disadvantages of each option?

Then

When you have all the information you need, explain which option you think is best and why. Be ready to explain why you didn't choose the other option. Remember to use information you learn from asking questions to explain your final choice.

Finally

After you have shared your decision, you will be asked more questions about the topic.

Option 1



Option 2



EXAMINER INFORMATION

What is the problem?	Our town's 100th anniversary is this year and we want to do something special to celebrate. We have two possible options and can't decide which to choose.	
	Option 1 (fountain)	Option 2 (fireworks)
What are the options?	We could build a fountain in the town center to remember the anniversary.	We could plan a weekend festival with music and fireworks to celebrate the event.
What are the disadvantages of each option?	It will take time to plan and build the fountain and it will not be finished until next year.	After the festival is over there will be no permanent reminder of the event.

ELABORATION QUESTIONS

1. What is an important event that you remember? Why?	2. What are some ways people can remember special occasions in their community?
3. Some people believe that public money should not be used for occasions like town anniversaries because such events do not directly benefit anyone. To what extent do you think this is true?	