

IELTS - useful collocations

Match the adjectives on the left with the nouns on the right to make useful collocations.

a contentious/ divisive	evidence
a viable/ feasible	debate
compelling/ conclusive	regulations
an ongoing/ heated	issue
a pivotal/ crucial	judgement
an impartial/ unbiased	role/ figure
stringent/ rigorous	solution/ alternative

Instructions as above.

preventative/ effective	problem
a complex/multifaceted	measures
a profound/ far-reaching	technology
state-of-the-art/ cutting-edge	approach
equitable/ fair and inclusive	impact
a major/ radical	change
a balanced / cautious	access

Can you think of ...?

- preventative measures individuals can take to stay healthy
- major changes technology and automation are bringing to the workplace
- a divisive issue present in your country and how it can be resolved
- a pivotal figure from your country's history
- a viable alternative to fossil fuels that can be implemented in your country
- a complex or multifaceted problem facing your city or country
- a project that uses state-of-the-art or cutting-edge technology

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Match the verbs on the left with the nouns on the right to make useful collocations.

to pose	public funding to a cause
to put	to a social media ban
to allocate	a crucial role
to spark	a strain on the public healthcare system
to play	a threat to biodiversity
to address	a pressing issue
to object	a heated debate

Instructions as above.

to implement	innovation/ creativity
to enhance	resources
to exacerbate	a situation/ a mistake
to foster	a neutral stance/ sustainable practices
to utilise	a conflict/ a crisis
to adopt	new social policies
to rectify	performance/ quality of life

Can you think of ...?

- a policy that puts a strain on the public healthcare system
- an event that recently sparked a heated debate in your country
- a person or organization that plays a crucial role in your community
- a policy your government could implement to improve education or healthcare
- a measure that could enhance people's quality of life
- a project or program that could foster innovation in your city or country