

1. Lesson18. Teacher: After the student reads the instructions, help the student generate ideas and write an outline before writing an essay as described in the instructions. Correct any spelling, grammar or punctuation mistakes.

4[A] – Minors

- Write an essay on the given TOPIC covering three of the POINTS below the space provided on your answer sheet.
- **Structure:** Three or more paragraphs, including an introduction and conclusion.
- **Length:** Around 200 words.

TOPIC

Should minors who commit serious crimes receive the same punishments as adults?

POINTS

- Financial costs
- Justice
- Mental maturity

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imprisoning young people makes them more likely to commit crimes in the future. In prison, teenagers are surrounded by hardened criminals, and it is likely they will follow in these criminals' footsteps and commit more crimes after being released.

5. *Instead of imprisoning young criminals, we should give them opportunities for education. Teenagers who have committed crimes need basic schooling, job training, and psychological counseling. They also need to be in an environment where they can absorb the positive influence of law-abiding citizens.*
6. *Most importantly, minors are not yet mentally mature. Young people are not allowed to vote because they lack the mental development necessary to make such important decisions. For this same reason, when they commit crimes, they should not be held accountable the way adults are.*
7. *Society needs to examine its policy of sending young criminals to prison. Minors need to be supported and educated, not punished in the same way as adults.*