

## Formal Writing Topics

1. Young people contribute more to society than adults know.
2. Spending time in the mall is the modern way to relax.
3. New Zealanders spend too much time watching sport and not enough time enjoying the arts.
4. Genetic engineering is the way of the future.
5. The best thing adults can give young people is time.
6. All New Zealand secondary schools should be single sex.
7. Good role models are important for teenagers.
8. New Zealanders pay too much attention to sport and too little attention to fitness and health.
9. New Zealanders are not ambitious enough.
10. We have much to learn from our tipuna/ancestors.

11. Family/whānau are more important than friends.
12. Team sports are boring compared with individual sports.
13. Part-time work exploits school students.
14. Texting is just a way of avoiding **real** communication.
15. Experimenting on animals to improve life for humans is a good thing.
16. New Zealand/Aotearoa is really two countries – Auckland and the **real** New Zealand/ Aotearoa.
17. School assemblies are a waste of time.
18. New Zealand/Aotearoa deals well with race issues.
19. Exploring space wastes money that would be better spent here on Earth.
20. Being successful in today's world means knowing your culture.

21. The media make teenagers worry too much about body image.
22. Science / Pūtaiao is the most important school subject.
23. New Zealand / Aotearoa is not the safe country we like to think it is.
24. The best education comes from what you learn outside school.
25. Technology is responsible for most of our problems today.
26. Having friends is more important than having money.
27. It is time the New Zealand / Aotearoa flag was changed.
28. Breaking copyright to download music is not really a crime.
29. New Zealand / Aotearoa should fix its own problems before helping other countries.
30. Body piercing should be banned.