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Can I give reasons for and against sailing around the world?

Michael’s father decided that the family would sail around the world together. Do you think that it would be a good idea for your family to sail around the world together?

Complete the table with your reasons for and against. Some ideas have been given to start you off.

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| For | Against |
| It would be an exciting adventure and great fun to discover lots of countries and islands | It would be scary, sailing into the unknown |
| One long holiday and no school. | It may get difficult living with mum and dad in such a small space and spending so much time with them |
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Example - Sailing around the world paragraphs.

I am not sure that sailing around the world with my family would be a good thing because I think it would be difficult living very closely with my mum and dad every single day. Spending every minute of every day with them would probably lead to us having lots of arguments. Sometimes I don’t do as I am told, and I think that after a couple of months this would really start to annoy my parents. In addition, I believe it would be scary sailing into the unknown. I don’t really like going to places I don’t know and we may meet pirates or land on an island where the inhabitants are not friendly. Another reason for not going is that I get very seasick, even when I go out on a boat at Lytham Boating Lake. Being on a boat all the time and possibly being in stormy seas is bound to make me feel sick. I’m not sure that I would enjoy that at all!

On the other hand, sailing in a boat would be such an exciting adventure. I have always wanted to travel the world and discover lots of new countries and islands. Just think of all the cultures I could explore. Another good thing about sailing around the world would be that I wouldn’t have to go to school! It would be like one long holiday. Although mum and dad would teach me on the boat, I would learn lots of other skills too, such as fishing, making a fire and of course, sailing. Finally, I love spending time with my family and of course my dog, so sailing around the world for 18 months with them would give us plenty of time to enjoy each other’s company.

Use these sentence openers to help with your writing (I have highlighted them above too!)

I am not sure that sailing around the world with my family would be a good thing because …..

In addition, …..

Another reason ….

On the other hand, ….

Another good thing about sailing around the world would be ….

Finally, ……

Make sure your FULLY explain your reasons like the example above.