The Olympic Games are a well-known tradition that had been started during Roman times. Happening every four years, people from all over the world compete in a variety of different sports to show pride in their country. Not only do people compete, but millions and millions of people tune in to cheer for their country. Watching the Olympics can help you learn about the various amounts of traditions and cultures that people have and also from the country which is hosting the games. Even though there are negatives that come along with the positives, the United States should bid to host future games.

Hosting the games here in the U.S. would be a positive thing, especially for the city which would be used. That area would have better improvements in all areas including new sports complexes to be used after the games and could also improve the communities support and teamwork during this time. Also, even though the games is a costly event, businesses and tourist attractions
Around sight benefit greatly. (Text 1)
During the time of preparing
for the games temporary employment
opportunities are given to people.
Even though it is a short
period of time, this is a
great opportunity for people
to get some extra money,
especially with the unemployment
rate being high at this time.
Not only are people getting jobs,
but people are going to be needed
more, like caterers and also security.
So in an overall viewing there
is a great job boost during this
time. (Text 2)

With the games come great
changes, people living in the surrounding
carea have to learn how to take
those things positively. (Text 2) These
changes are shown to help
especially in the environment,
having better air, more greenery
is being planted and also recycling
is increased. These are all great
things that can help the environment
greatly. Education opportunities
become better during this time as
The essay introduces a reasonable claim, as directed by the task (Even though there are negatives that come along with the positives, the United States should bid to host future games). The essay demonstrates some analysis of the texts, but insufficiently distinguishes the claim from alternate or opposing claims (Also even though the games is a costly event, businesses and tourist attractions around sight benefit greatly). The essay presents ideas briefly, making use of some specific and relevant evidence to support analysis (That area would have better improvements in all areas including new sports complexes to be used after the games and would also improve the communities support and teamwork during this time). The essay demonstrates inconsistent citation of sources to avoid plagiarism when dealing with direct quotes and paraphrased material. The essay exhibits some organization of ideas and information to create a mostly coherent essay. The essay has a general introduction about the Olympic Games, three paragraphs supporting the claim with brief reference to a counterclaim, and a conclusion reiterating the original claim (All the positive things that come from the Olympics should dominate over the negatives. This is why the U.S. should bid on hosting future games). The essay establishes but fails to maintain a formal style, using primarily basic language and structure (Watching the Olympics can help you learn about the various amounts of traditions and cultures that people have and also from the country which is hosting the games). The essay demonstrates partial control, exhibiting occasional errors [ones country, communities support, games is, opportuntities, positively] that do not hinder comprehension.
Throughout history the Olympics have been a prestigious and high esteemed venue. Major cities in the world like Los Angeles, London and Sydney have had the honor of hosting these games. Although the Olympic Games are so marvelous, it is not a good idea for the United States to host this event given the economic problems that are being dealt with at this time. There are too many cost to the city that hosts the games as well as the country. The cost of infrastructure changes, housing and taking care of the competitors, and other expenses far outweigh the benefits associated with the games.

Before the games, there are many expenses that must be taken into consideration when considering bidding to host an Olympic event. In Text 1, Lines 8-13 these cost are being considered. Cost like alterations to the cities design, changes to environments throughout the city, and an increase in taxes are large costs to consider. At this point in time it is not an economically smart decision for the United States to attempt to host the games. The cost of these things is too great for the government and the taxpayers to take on. The cost of the games is shown in text 3, Lines 1-5. Based on the numbers, the United States could lose between 10 and 30 billion dollars. The United States is trillions of dollars in debt at the moment and can’t take on another cost. There is still 5-6 billion dollars coming into the host city but the cost far outweighs the economic gain.

The Olympics is a great venue to hold in your country. Unfortunately the cost of hosting the Olympics is so high that countries that are in great debt like the United States should not take on such a burden.
Anchor Level 3–B

The essay introduces a precise claim, as directed by the task (Although the Olympic Games are so marvelous, it is not a good idea for the United States to host this event). The essay demonstrates appropriate and accurate analysis of economic information in Text 1 and Text 3 (Based on the numbers, the United States could lose between 10 and 30 billion dollars). A third text is not addressed. The essay distinguishes the claim from alternate or opposing claims (There is still 5–6 billion dollars coming into the host city but the cost far outweighs the economic gain). The essay presents ideas briefly, making use of some specific and relevant evidence to support analysis (Cost like alterations to the cities design, changes to environments throughout the city, and an increase in taxes are large costs to consider). The essay demonstrates inconsistent citation of sources to avoid plagiarism when dealing with direct quotes and paraphrased material. The essay exhibits acceptable organization of ideas and information to create a coherent essay with an introductory paragraph that states the claim and identifies economics as the reason for the claim (There are too many cost to the city that hosts the games as well as the country), a paragraph discussing such costs, and a conclusion with a reaffirmation of the claim. The essay establishes and maintains a formal style, using precise and appropriate language and structure (Unfortunately the cost of hosting the Olympics is so high that countries that are in great debt like the United States should not take on such a burden). The essay demonstrates partial control of conventions, exhibiting occasional errors (prestigious, and high esteemed; many cost; these cost; cities design; time it is; city but) that do not hinder comprehension. The essay must be scored no higher than a Level 3 since it addresses fewer than the three texts required.
“Staging an Olympic games represents a long and expensive commitment of a city to this mega event.” (text 1). There is a controversy over whether or not the United States should bid or should bid or not have an Olympic games here in the U.S. although people would love to have the Olympic games hosted, while others are against it all.

Personally, I think it would be cool to have the Olympics here, but I don’t think its a good idea. It is not a good idea to host Olympic games here for many reason. One reason being the U.S should not bid for the Olympic games to be host here is because it costs billions of dollars. The high cost are bound to make hosting the Olympics a bad deal in the short run. (text 3, line 7).

There are also negative outcomes and some positive outcomes about hosting olympics in the U.S. Some negative outcomes are there is a potential increase in crime, acquisition of poor reputation as a result of crime, improper practices or inflated prices. Sometimes positives outcomes are increase local pride and community spirit. Festive atmosphere during event. Increased awareness of the region as a travel or tourism destination. (text 2, chart)

When the Olympics comes to town there are local impacts of the Olympics when they’re there. The benefits of the Olympics coming to town are that they do create employment. In 1984, the LA games employed 16,520 people for 30 days. In 1988 the Seoul Games employed 33,500 people for 30 days. Although the Olympics do create employment the majority of
Anchor Level 3–C

The essay introduces a reasonable claim, as directed by the task (It is not a good idea to host Olympic games here for many reasons). The essay demonstrates some analysis of the texts (One reason being the U.S should not bid for the Olympic games to be host here is because it costs billions of dollars), but insufficiently distinguishes the claim from alternate or opposing claims (The benefits of the Olympics coming to town are that they do create employment). The essay presents ideas briefly, making use of some specific and relevant evidence to support analysis (Some negative outcomes are there is a potential increase in crime. Acquisition of poor reputation as a result of crime, improper practices or inflated prices). The essay demonstrates inconsistent citation of sources to avoid plagiarism when dealing with direct quotes and paraphrased material by using an opening statement directly copied but not cited by line number from Text 1 (“Staging an Olympic games represents a long and expensive commitment of a city to a this mega event”). The essay exhibits some organization of ideas and information to create a mostly coherent essay. The essay has a general introduction about bidding for the Olympic Games and three supporting paragraphs that state a claim against making a bid for the Olympics as well as counterclaim arguments. The conclusion is confused and incoherent (That is whether or not the Olympic games should be held here in the United States, or if the United States should bid on the Olympics for them to occur here). The essay establishes but fails to maintain a formal style (Personally, I think it would be cool to have the Olympics here, but I don’t think its a good idea), using primarily basic language and structure. The essay demonstrates a lack of control, exhibiting frequent errors (to a this, contraversey, should not bid or should bid or not have an Olympics, its, many reason, in crime. Aquisition, Sometimes positives outcomes are increase) that make comprehension difficult.
All of the given texts have a lot of reason why the United States shouldn't host the Olympics. It is a big expense towards our country. The preparation for the big event takes 7 years. The city needs to be redesigned in a way. There is lots of expensive work to be done for the event to happen as it states in text 1. There are many debates on that subject. They have to consult with the community to see what others think. It states that it is nearly impossible to find out a way of the full expense of the Olympic games. There is so much to be done that it is nearly impossible to imagine.

Also another many reasons text 2 states. There is even a problem with jobs after the Olympics are over because when the help is not needed anymore people lose their jobs by not having anything to do anymore. The work is "temporary" as it states. It states that the places that host the Olympics could both be "winners and losers" they could gain or lose money. It seems that it all depends on now poor the country is.

Text 3 explains why hosting the Olympics would be a loss. Hosting it
Anchor Level 2–A

The essay introduces a claim (I think that the United States should bid to host the Olympics in the future). The essay demonstrates a confused and unclear analysis of the texts (They could gain or lose money. It seems that it all depends on how poor the country is), failing to distinguish the claim from alternate or opposing claims. The essay presents ideas inconsistently and inaccurately, in an attempt to support analysis, making use of some evidence that may be irrelevant (other countries still host even the countries that are poor when the United States is not a poor country). The essay demonstrates little use of citations to avoid plagiarism when dealing with direct quotes and paraphrased material, simply summarizing the information and identifying the text (Text 3 explains why hosting the Olympics would be a loss). The essay exhibits inconsistent organization of ideas and information, failing to create a coherent essay, focusing first on negatives associated with hosting an Olympics but then introducing a claim in the concluding paragraph that supports the hosting of Olympic Games by the United States. The essay lacks a formal style, using some language that is inappropriate and imprecise (It is a big expense towards our country and They have to consultate with the community). The essay demonstrates emerging control, exhibiting occasional errors (a lot of reason, a way of the full expense, states. there is, its a big expese towards our country) that hinder comprehension.
The United States should host an Olympics. Because so many athletes come from the US. Even though many athletes come from other countries. The US is very advanced compared to all the other countries as far as technology. To begin the US has already had a Olympics Who cares! But that does not mean it can't happen again. Michael Phelps is a boss he is the reason we should have another Olympics And also setting up for another Olympics. Many people having jobs. Which would help there economy. Also bringing many people into the US. Next It might inspire obese America. To get into shape! Which would be really good thing. So many people in America are over weight. Maybe they just need inspiration to get into shape. Many athletes are sponsored that are in the Olympics. That also brings a lot of money in because of all the advertisements. As you can see having an olympic in the US (text II lines 7-8) would be a great thing. Because it would bring so much money into the system and inspire many obese americans to become fit. And dream about being in the Olympics. line (4-5) Passage II

Anchor Level 2–B

The essay introduces a claim (The united states should host an olympics). The essay demonstrates unclear analysis of the texts (The us is vary advanced compared to all the other countrys as far as technology), failing to distinguish the claim from alternate or opposing claims. The essay presents ideas inconsistently in an attempt to support analysis, making use of some evidence that is irrelevant (Michael Phelps is a boss and Next It might inspire obese America). The essay demonstrates little use of citations to avoid plagiarism when dealing with paraphrased material, using line references that are unrelated to the information given, and citing only two sources. The essay exhibits inconsistent organization of ideas and information, failing to create a coherent essay. The essay lacks a formal style (Who cares!), using some language that is imprecise (Vary for “very” and there for “their”). The essay demonstrates a lack of control, exhibiting frequent errors (olympics, atheletes, countrys, allready, a olympics, cant, reson, alot, And dream about) that make comprehension difficult.
In United State should have host a future games the host game was a game with a lot of impact to different towns, those impact are divided into four separate periods. One impact of the host games on host cities is matter of continuing debate and controversy. One of biggest impact was the seven year period of preparation for the staging of the games, and the much longer host-games era, the game have debate and controversy the people were discussion about the game, who benefits most the games or not, but also that game can produce tangible benefits for the government and also businesses, there was people that was anti-Olympic they were very limited empirical on they support base. The high costs are bound to make hosting the Olympics a bad deal in the short run, more than 400 million children in Chinese schools were exposed to the Olympic values in the host city an erosion to in human take place. Because much at stake when a olympic olympic game are held the city and the country need to looks
Anchor Level 2–C

The essay introduces a claim (In United State should don’t have host a future games). The essay demonstrates a confused and unclear analysis of the texts (the host game was a game with a lot of impact to different towns), failing to distinguish the claim from alternate or opposing claims. The essay presents ideas inconsistently and inaccurately in an attempt to support analysis (the game have debate and controversy the people were discussion about the game, who benefits most the games or not) and does not make use of citations. The essay exhibits little organization of ideas and information, using language that is predominantly incoherent (Because much at stake when an olympic olympic game are help the city and the country need to looks its best) or copied directly from the texts. The essay demonstrates a lack of control, exhibiting frequent errors (were discussion, tangible, benefits, bussiness, People that was, gamest, benefic, country the population affect) that make comprehension difficult.
I believe America should host a future Olympic Games. America is the land of the free and home of the brave. America is possibly the most diverse nation in the world. The American athletes are the elite athletes in the world and usually America ends up with winning the most gold medals. Americans play in all the sports in the Olympics, including track and field, swimming, and wrestling. This brings me to my next point, wrestling needs to be put back into the Games. It was one of the original games the Greeks invented. If you have to take an event out, take out synchronized swimming, that isn't a sport. Anyways, America has a lot to offer the visiting countries. For example, you can eat apple pie and hot dogs. Nothing is more American than those two foods. Also, the attractions here are marvelous. You can see the Statue of Liberty in New York, the Grand Canyon, Mount Rushmore and many more. That is why America is the best country in the world and why they should hold a future Olympic Games.

Anchor Level 1–A

The essay introduces a claim (I believe America should host a future Olympic Games), but does not demonstrate analysis of the texts. The essay presents no evidence from the texts and does not make use of citations. The essay is a personal response about the Olympic Games. The essay exhibits some organization of ideas, but lacks a formal style (For example, you can eat apple pie and hot dogs). The essay demonstrates partial control of conventions, exhibiting occasional errors (filed; wrestling, which brings; swimming, that; alot; Cayon) that do not hinder comprehension. The essay is a personal response, making little to no reference to the task or texts, and, therefore, can be scored no higher than a 1.
Anchor Level 1–B

The essay does not introduce a claim and does not demonstrate any analysis of the texts. The essay presents no evidence from the texts and does not make use of citations. The essay, consisting of four general statements about the Olympic Games, exhibits little organization of ideas and information. The essay is minimal, making assessment of conventions unreliable.
There are many benefits to hosting the Olympic Games. There are also many cons to holding the bid for the Olympic Games. The city has to undergo changes so they can host the Olympic Games. Generally, hosting the Olympic Games is perceived as a good thing, but in all actuality it hurts everyone in the city.

Preparing for the games is a long process. The city has to bid and win to host the Olympic Games. Then there is 7 years for preparing for the games. Then the Olympic Games are staged with the Paralympic Games following right after. (Text 1, Lines 3-6) When preparing, a lot of money goes into changing the city for the Olympic games which by default raises taxes. You have a potential for increased tourism (Text 1, Line 16) but there is no evidence that tourism increasing will actually happen.

There is also a chance that you could have groups of protestors, protesting the games themselves. The chances a city is taking by using money to prepare for the Olympic Games are chances. The money may not be paid back if tourism stays the same after the Olympic Games are over. They are risking a deflated economy after the Olympic Games are over.

Community involvement is another factor that will be affected after the games are over. Many people debate over some risks and benefits of hosting the Olympic Games. Olympic budgets are one topic people debate over. The budgets cause people to fight because they are unreliable. The government will not disclose the full price of the Olympic Games because they are afraid the community will not vote for the bid. (Text 1, Line 45)

The people could also be at risk because this is a perfect time period to create laws that will take away a person's rights. Certain groups will enforce laws to eliminate bad actions so the media can portray a perfect location for the Olympic Games. The laws could be extended until after the games are over which would take away a person's civil liberties.

There is also the problem of employment. While the Olympic Games
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Provide job opportunities, those jobs are temporary. (Text II, Lines 1-8)
Construction jobs will have people from all over the world because the posts won’t interview people, or train people. Public services will give jobs to people but those jobs are usually low compensated. They also hire people who are low skilled. (Text II, Lines 19-24). Sometimes when the people arereally poor the Olympic Games will just make them poorer.

If the tourism increases there is an effect with other people. The people who live there already could have cultural shock, because of all the people from different countries. There is increasing violence in the host city. People could get into arguments that escalate until a fight breaks out. There is also an increase in crime. Prices inflate and businesses could be shut down because of competition. (Text II, Graphic).

The Olympic Games should not be host by the U.S because the bad outweighs the good. The host city could go into debt and then the debt will accumulate. (Text III, Lines 19-26) In the end the bad circumstances outweigh the good. The U.S.’s future should not be left to chance.
The Olympic Games have long been regarded as a positive event, drawing international attention to the host city and its people. It’s often considered an honor to host the Games, and many people regard it as a picture change for all. However, under the glamourous reputation of the Games, one can find the truth. The Olympic Games take their toll on the host cities. And though there certainly are benefits for being a host city, the consequences outweigh the pros. Therefore, the United States should not bid to host a future Olympic Game.

Primarily, the explicit and costs of the Olympics alone are enough to deter most countries from bidding. Though one can never know the true costs of the Games (Text 1, Lines 39-40), it is often very high. It cost $11 billion in Athens, $20 billion in London, and $40 billion in Beijing (Text 3, Lines 3-4). The massive amounts of money needed to fund the Olympics often put countries into debt. For example, Greece dipped into a $6 billion dollar debt after hosting the games (Text 3, Lines 19-20). Additionally, the government is often burdened when reporting the true costs of the Olympic Games. For example, Olympic infrastructure costs are often buried under the public works area (Text 3, Line 42). This is to present the Olympics in a less positive light, reducing the reported costs. The fact of the matter is that Olympic Games costs vary too much, a price that the United States cannot afford, especially considering the delicate economic state we are in today.

It can be argued that the Games actually do benefit the economy, by creating jobs in preparation and execution of the Games. This argument, however, is false. The Olympic Games only
create temporary jobs, which do not help reach a stable employment rate. In the LA Games of 1984, 16,520 people had Olympics-related jobs for only 30 days. In the 1996 Games of 1996, 33,500 people had jobs for 30 days as well (Text 2, Lines 14-16). The value of the employment created was little, because after 30 days people were unemployed once again. Much of the value created is low-skilled, uncompensated, and usually temporary (Text 2, Lines 23-24). It may even lead to the stagnation of the labor force, proving Olympics jobs usually only require either very high skilled labor or very low skilled labor (Text 2, Lines 16-17). Thus, even the jobs created, the supposedly positive aspects of being a host city, aren't so positive after all.

The United States definitely should not bid to host the Games. It has little benefit for the host city and the costs are simply outrageous. And though it may promote certain industrial improvements (Text 4, Lines 21-22) or increased awareness of the city (Text 3, Lines 9-10), the potentially misguided benefits certainly don’t stand up well against the concrete, guaranteed costs & and expenditures of hosting such an event.
The United States of America should refrain from making a bid to host a future Olympic Games. Some people may argue that the U.S. should propose a bid because it will encourage tourists and create desperately needed jobs, but there are many more negatives than positives for hosting the Olympic Games. One negative is it creates new costs that in the present economy, the U.S. can not afford. Hosting create new jobs but they are fleeting; only available for 30 days or so. In order to host, the government may “restrict individual liberties.”

Hosting the Games is extremely expensive. Barcelona, due to the Games, spent 6 billion dollars that they did not have. The U.S. economy is not in good shape, we already have a 13 trillion debt why add to it just to host the Olympics? It is true that the Olympics generated some money from tourists, etc., but not nearly enough to offset what the city paid. Beijing spent 40 million on the Games and only received 5-6 billion (text 3). Hosting the Olympics is not a smart economic move for the U.S. at this time.

The jobs created at the Olympics don’t last. They are “short and sweet” (text a). These jobs are mostly for the unskilled and are usually badly compensated and temporary. These jobs are just a test to the depressed unemployed people of America. According to Preuss, the city’s poor tend to suffer and sometime become poorer as a result of the Olympics.” (text 3)
The results of the Games include limited community consultation and the overriding of local concerns. It is justified as being in the city and national interest. 

The U.S. is known for being a democratic country, but the whole process of the Games strip people of their rights. In order to “eliminate any negatives” the city may pass laws restricting individual rights.

Overall, hosting the Olympics is a bad idea for the U.S. It would hurt our economy, our people, and our beliefs.
Should the United States bid to host a future Olympic Games?

The United States of America should bid to host a future Olympic Games. The United States is capable of hosting a future Olympic Games. Because the country counts with a good economic position to enforce the costs of the Olympic Games, because in the first document or text the “Impact of the Games on Olympic host cities” it states that the things a country must do to host a future Olympic Games. As some alterations to the shape of the city. Also, there should be some renovations in the railroads.

To bid for the host to a future Olympic Games brings a lot of good things, like the recession of tourism, employment opportunities, like it stated in text 2 “When the Games come to town: Host cities and the local impacts of the Olympics”
It says that there is always an increase of work force in the country due to the reconstruction and restoration of the city. And that there is an increase in tourism due to the Olympic Games.

But everything has a negative side. A lot of things about the did a host of a future Olympic Games are the payment of bill of the Games. And the increase of taxes for us the people because the money to bring the Olympic Games does not come from the Olympic Games. It comes from the country. As stated in Text B "3 Reasons why hosting the Olympics is a loser's game."

These 3 texts show my opinion of U.S. being the host of a future Olympic Game.
Should the United States bid to host a future Olympic games? Yes the United States should bid to host future Olympic games because it could possibly have a great impact on the people and the city. As it states in Text 1 line 16 and 17, the Olympic games could potentially increase tourism and business activity. Also, the creation of new sporting venues which have potential for post-Games community use. When the Olympics come to town employment opportunities increase. Even though majority of the Olympic-related work is temporary. As stated in Text 2 lines 9-10 experienced Olympic works (Horne & Whiston 2006: 79) the work will be mostly short and sweet and low skilled. Records state that the LA Games in 1984 16,520 where hired for 30 days and the Seoul Games in 1988 33,500 people were hired for 30 days. Also, The Olympic Games have impacted the entire world. The Olympic Games have grown to become the world’s foremost sporting event. It’s amazing how the effect such an event can create for their city and its people. The Games of the Olympiad in Text 4 shows that in Beijing in 2008, 400 million children in 400,000 Chinese schools were exposed to the Olympic values. Also,
Beijing's capital airport saw its capacity increased by 24 million passengers, a new express way and high speed rail link was built in Tianjin, and three new subway lines were created.

In conclusion, the Olympic Games have impacted the entire world. The Olympic Games have helped increase revenues in the hosting cities.
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Holistically, this essay best fits the criteria for Level 4.

Practice Paper B – Score Level 5
Holistically, this essay best fits the criteria for Level 5.

Practice Paper C – Score Level 4
Holistically, this essay best fits the criteria for Level 4.

Practice Paper D – Score Level 2
Holistically, this essay best fits the criteria for Level 2.

Practice Paper E – Score Level 3
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