Stage S4	Standard	example 1

The student:
Year Level: Year 10
Background:
Language:
Schooling:

The task – Under exam conditions, in one period in the computer room, students chose from a number of possible tasks. This student chose to write an expository piece.

The text shows that the student:

can use appropriate register for the intended audience

seeks and responds to teacher feedback

shows use of an expanded vocabulary, including subject-specific terms and abstract nouns

writes showing control of a wider range of grammatical features although some minor errors may be evident

C) "A national ID card should not be introduced in Australia as it will invade our privacy and endanger our liberty"

If a national ID card were to be introduced in Australia, not only will it invade our privacy and endanger our liberty but it will also make Australians more vulnerable to identity theft.

ID cards can easily be lost and be found by people who will abuse it and violate other people privacy. Up to five per cent of cards are lost, stolen or damaged each year, and the result can be denial of service ad benefits, and loss of identity. The replacement of a high security, high integrity card involves significant administrative involvement. Documents must be presented in person to an official. Cards must be processed centrally. This process can take some weeks.

The existence of a person's life story in a hundred unrelated databases is one important condition that protects privacy. The bringing together of these separate information centres creates a major privacy vulnerability. Any multi-purpose national ID card has this effect. The concentration of such data on all Australian in a single location could prove disastrous if it was attacked by hackers.

The ID card is also expensive making it harder for Australian to be able to afford it. Australian s could be forced to pay about $100 each for a new ID if they are introduced. A basic card containing so-called biometric data would cost $40-$50 each.

Not only will the national ID card invade our privacy and might endanger our liberty but expensive, render us more vulnerable to ID theft and is also no guarantee fight terrorisms. Therefore I don't think it's a good idea to have national ID card.

uses an extended range of cohesive devices to improve fluency, e.g. connectives

combines simple sentences into complex sentences and shows embedding

includes a wide range of modals

sustains register use in writing – here, maintains formal register throughout

can write an extended argument on a familiar issue

This text is an example of a student working at the standard S4. She writes, with appropriate support, the full range of extended fictional and factual text types undertaken across the curriculum. With support she can vary her writing consistent with the text type, the context and the needs of the reader, presenting similar content in different ways. She demonstrates reasonably consistent control of a wide range of grammatical features. She incorporates direct and indirect speech, including quotations, appropriately. She employs an extended range of appropriate cohesive devices between sentences and paragraphs, retaining clarity and fluency.

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