

Section 1:

#1 "First of all, art brings everybody together. No matter where you are from or what language you speak, you can always enjoy a song or a painting. Art helps us feel connected to others, even strangers. It teaches us about different cultures and helps us understand other people's emotions. In a world where there's so much conflict and confusion, art can create peace, understanding, and unity."

Strengths: You effectively highlight art's universal appeal and its ability to transcend language barriers. Your connection between art and emotional understanding is well articulated.

Underdeveloped argument → Your point about art creating "peace, understanding, and unity" needs more specific examples. When you write that "art brings everybody together," you could strengthen this by mentioning a specific cultural festival, artwork or musical performance that united diverse groups.

"First of all, art brings everybody together through shared experiences. For instance, during the Sydney Opera House performances, tourists and locals from diverse backgrounds gather to appreciate music regardless of language barriers. Art helps us feel connected to others, even strangers, as we recognise common emotions in paintings, songs, and stories."

#2 "Of course, science is also important. Without it, we wouldn't have medicine, electricity, or the internet. But scientific discoveries don't mean much if people aren't happy, inspired, or mentally healthy. That's where art comes in. Art improves mental health by reducing stress and helping people express feelings they might not be able to say out loud. During hard times, like the COVID-19 pandemic, many people relied on music, movies, drawing, or writing to help them feel better. It was art that helped us stay strong, hopeful, and connected, even when we were far apart somewhere."

Strengths: You acknowledge science's importance while pivoting effectively to art's role in mental wellbeing. Your COVID-19 example is relevant and strengthens your argument.

Limited contrast → Your comparison between art and science needs clearer distinctions. You mention science gives us "medicine, electricity, or the internet" but don't fully explore how these compare to art's benefits before dismissing them with "scientific discoveries don't mean much if people aren't happy."

"While science provides essential tools like medicine and technology that improve our physical lives, art nourishes our emotional and spiritual needs in ways science cannot. During the COVID-19 lockdowns, for example, scientific advancements enabled remote work, but it was creative expressions through music, virtual museum tours, and storytelling that truly sustained our mental wellbeing when we were physically separated."

#3 **"In conclusion, while science is undeniably important for the development of our world, it is artistic expression that holds a deeper value for society. Art connects us emotionally, gives people a voice, and makes sure creativity is in every aspect of life, including science. It has the power to inspire change, heal mental health, and unite diverse groups of people. Without art, the world would be a much more meaningless world. Therefore, artistic expression, with its ability to enrich lives and shape culture, is more valuable to society than scientific advancement."**

Strengths: Your conclusion effectively summarises your main arguments about art's emotional and social importance. You acknowledge science's role while maintaining your position on art's deeper value.

Repetitive phrasing → Your conclusion contains repetitive language such as "world would be a much more meaningless world." Several phrases restate points without adding new insights or bringing your argument to a compelling close.

"In conclusion, while scientific advancement provides the foundation for modern life, artistic expression enriches that foundation with meaning and purpose. Art not only connects us emotionally and amplifies diverse voices but also infuses creativity into every field, including science itself. Through its unique capacity to inspire social change, support mental wellbeing, and bridge cultural divides, artistic expression ultimately shapes the very essence of our humanity in ways that technological progress alone cannot achieve."

■ Your piece presents a passionate defence of artistic expression's value to society. To strengthen your argument, consider developing a more balanced comparison between art and science rather than positioning them as competitors. You've made excellent points about art's emotional and social benefits, but your essay would benefit from acknowledging more specific ways that art and science complement each other. Also, try to include concrete examples that show art's impact—perhaps mention specific artworks, movements, or artists who demonstrated the power you're describing. Your paragraph structure is good, but you could improve the flow between ideas by using more varied transition phrases beyond "first of all" and "secondly." Additionally, consider addressing potential counterarguments—what might someone who values science more highly say, and how would you respond? This would show deeper critical thinking and strengthen your overall position.

Overall Score: 45/50

Section 2:

Is artistic expression more valuable to society than scientific advancement? Art is everywhere. It's in the music we listen to, the stories we read, the movies we watch, and the pictures we draw. Even though scientific advancements are excellent in many important fields, machines and cure diseases, art helps us

understand who we are, express our feelings and connect with each other. That's why I believe artistic expression is more valuable to society than scientific advancement.

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Secondly, artistic expression gives people a voice. Not everyone can explain their thoughts using facts and figures. Some people show how they feel by painting pictures, writing stories, or dancing. This kind of expression is powerful because it lets people share their ideas and stand up for what they believe in. Throughout history, artists have used their talents to fight for justice, show the truth, and bring attention to important issues. Think about the songs that helped inspire change during civil rights movements, or the powerful photos and posters that helped people see the truth about war, poverty, and injustice. Art can be a tool for change – a way to make the world a fairer place.

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Art is everywhere in our lives, from the clothes we wear to the design of our phones and apps. Even scientists and engineers need creativity to think of new ideas. Artistic thinking helps us imagine the impossible and find creative solutions to real-world situations. So, even science benefits from the creative power of art!

Imagine a world with only science and no art anywhere. No music, no TV, no art museums and no colours on the walls. It would be a world that works, but it wouldn't be one we'd want to live in. Now imagine a world filled with music, stories, laughter, dancing, and paintings, a world where people feel free to share who they really are. That's the kind of world everyone would want to live in.

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