

## IELTS Writing Task 2

Q-Some people think that human history has been a journey from ignorance to knowledge. Others argue that this underestimates the achievements of ancient cultures and overvalues our achievements.

-Discuss both these views and give your own opinion.

### Sample answer

Some claim that people in the current world have a far greater knowledge base than previous societies. Others argue that this overlooks prior successes and focuses too much emphasis on current ones.

While it is true that ancient societies could not have envisaged contemporary technology like the internet, it is a mistake to dismiss them as stupid. Few would argue, for example, that the builders of the Sphinx were merely primitive cavemen. People at the period had the information they required to comprehend and cope with their surroundings. One argument that is often-made is that we do not have the technology to create the Pyramids of Egypt, even with what we know now.

Even if we believe that our civilization is technologically superior, it is unquestionably spiritually inferior. This is because our societies have grown so complicated that individuals are frequently victims of their lifestyles and are forced to deal with a whole new set of modern-day problems, such as stress and obesity, that afflict people in industrialized nations throughout the world. Furthermore, the number of ignorant individuals still living in poverty and limited access to technical advancements shows that our modern civilization isn't all that progressed.

On the other hand, from my point of view, there is no comparison between what we can do now and what individuals could achieve even two hundred years ago because we now know so much more. The great majority of industrialized nations have access to an education system, a higher quality of living, better healthcare, and a longer life expectancy than ever before. Although we must appreciate and revere traditions, I believe that contemporary advancements have led us to the pinnacle of human civilization.

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