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**Is this a positive or negative development?**

Sample Answer 1: [Viewpoint: Overall, it is a **positive development**.]

Online education is a **comparatively new trend**, and thousands of educational institutes have already **embraced this method** to offer their courses. **While** some negative aspects of this development cannot be ignored, the advantages of it are so **profound** that it is overall a positive development.

To begin with, many universities in developed countries offer online degrees and short courses, and they have started doing so only after **proper research**. The research proved that Internet-based courses are **advantageous** both for students and teachers. The **intuitive** and **methodical** lessons offered by an online course are planned by several university teachers and technology experts, and **hence**, they **maintain an uncompromising quality**. The **widespread use of** the Internet makes it handy for people to enrol in a course without considering **time and distance**. This trend has attracted thousands of **professionals, housewives and elderly people** to continue their education or take courses of their choice. For instance, as many as **twenty-five thousand housewives** in the USA completed their preferred online courses and diplomas last year. Attending traditional **classroom-based courses** was impossible for this large number of housewives and busy professionals.

Moreover, **Internet-based courses** offered by universities and colleges are easier to follow, and someone can **retake** the same lessons **over and over again**, **unlike** traditional classes. Thus many students have reported that Internet-based online tools and programmes as their **preferred learning tools**. Many **skill-developing** online courses, for example, have **assisted** thousands of young people in pursuing their careers in technology, and this has all been possible with Internet-based learning offered by educational institutes.

To conclude, **technological advancements** in education, especially online education, are a great **leap** towards a world without illiteracy and unemployment. Hence, this is such a positive development that has helped millions and continues to do so.

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Essay part	Key idea	Key vocabulary
introduction	Positive development	Comparatively new trend Advantages are so profound
Body 1 Positives	Based on proper research	Internet-based courses Advantageous Intuitive and methodical lessons Maintain an uncompromising quality Handy for people to enrol in Time and distance Professionals, housewives, and elderly people
Body 2 positives	Easy to follow	Preferred learning tool Skill-developing online courses Pursue their career in technology Internet-based learning
conclusion		Great leap towards Illiteracy Unemployment

comparatively new trend – nisbatan yangilik  
embrace this method – uslubni qabul qilish  
embrace change / culture  
profound – very big  
overall a positive – umumiy olib qaraganda pozitiv o'zgarish  
advantageous – beneficial – useful  
intuitive – intuitsiya  
methodical – tizimli  
hence – shuning un  
maintain quality – sifatni saqlash  
uncompromising – talab qilmaydigan darajada  
compromise –  
widespread use of –  
handy – osonlashtirish  
enroll in – yozilish  
classroom-based courses – ananaviy kurslar  
internet-based-courses  
retake – qayta o'qish / topshirish  
preferred learning tool – Afzal ko'rgan o'rganish uslubi  
skill – developing – ko'nikma hosil qiladigan  
pursue a career in - ... karyera qurish  
pursue a degree - ... kursda o'qish  
pursue happiness – baxt izlash  
in pursuit of ...  
leap – sakrash  
a small step for a man but a giant leap for mankind  
illiteracy – savodsizlik  
in pursuit of a career she sacrificed her family