**Task.** B2 level.

Write an article about exams using 200-220 words.

- If they are useful or not.
- If we should change or improve the educational system.
- If exams have the negative consequences.

**And this could well be an idea.**

## Is it necessary to evaluate?

On education issues, there is something that never changes despite the years a wide class plenty of anxious people who are waiting to be evaluated, and what for?

It is said that students have to demonstrate everything they have learnt during the course, to corroborate that they have been able to assimilate all the necessary concepts for their education. Depending on the stage of their life where they are, this can affect them in one way or another.

It is well known that exams can produce an enormous amount of severe traumas in children and young adults. Even after years, in their adult life, those people keep on suffering the negative consequences. However, it is still believed that it is the best way, and nothing could be further from the truth, because evaluating is not necessarily to take an exam. There are multiple ways to examine students far less traumatic, forms of assessment which in addition can make that inactive periods caused by the exams disappear.

As if that were not enough, the traditional assessment creates a progressive social exclusion that is generating insecurity and school failure. Besides, what does that tell you about what has been happening over the last years in relation to Education? So, unfortunately there is something that is wrong, something that does not work well.

From my point of view, the important things here are, regardless of student's grades, the positive reinforcement and paying attention to the student's needs in an individualized and constructive manner. Sometimes, the positive reinforcement is stronger than a grade. I firmly believe that this is the moment to help, to advise individually because all students are not the same. That is the idea, just lack decision!