

My Job in an Apple Plant

Working in an apple plant was the worst job I ever had. First of all, the work was physically hard. For ten hours a night, I took cartons that rolled down a metal track and stacked them onto wooden skids in a tractor trailer. Each carton contained twenty-five pounds of bottled apple juice, and they came down the track almost nonstop. The second bad feature of the job was the pay. I was getting the minimum wage at that time, \$3.65 an hour, plus a quarter extra for working the night shift. I had to work over sixty hours a week to get decent take-home pay. Finally, I hated the working conditions. We were limited to two ten-minute breaks and an unpaid half hour for lunch. Most of my time was spent outside on the loading dock in near-zero-degree temperatures. I was very lonely on the job because I had no interests in common with the other truck loaders. I felt this isolation especially when the production line shut down for the night, and I spent two hours by myself cleaning the apple vats. The vats were an ugly place to be on a cold morning, and the job was a bitter one to have.

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Activity 1

The paragraph on the apple plant, like almost any piece of effective writing, has two essential parts: (1) a point is advanced, and (2) that point is then supported. Taking a minute to outline the paragraph will help you understand these basic parts clearly. Add the words needed to complete the outline.

Point: Working in an apple plant is the worst job I ever had.

Reason 1: The work was physically hard

- a. Loaded cartons onto skids for ten hours a night
- b. Each carton contained twenty-five pounds of ^{bottled} apple juice.

Reason 2: Low pay; Job paying very little amount of money.

- a. \$3.65 an hour, plus a quarter extra for night shift
- b. Had to work sixty hours for decent take-home pay

Reason 3: Poor/unhealthy work conditions.

- a. Two ten-minute breaks and an unpaid lunch
- b. Loading dock in near-zero-degree temperatures.
- c. Loneliness on job

(1) No interests in common with other workers

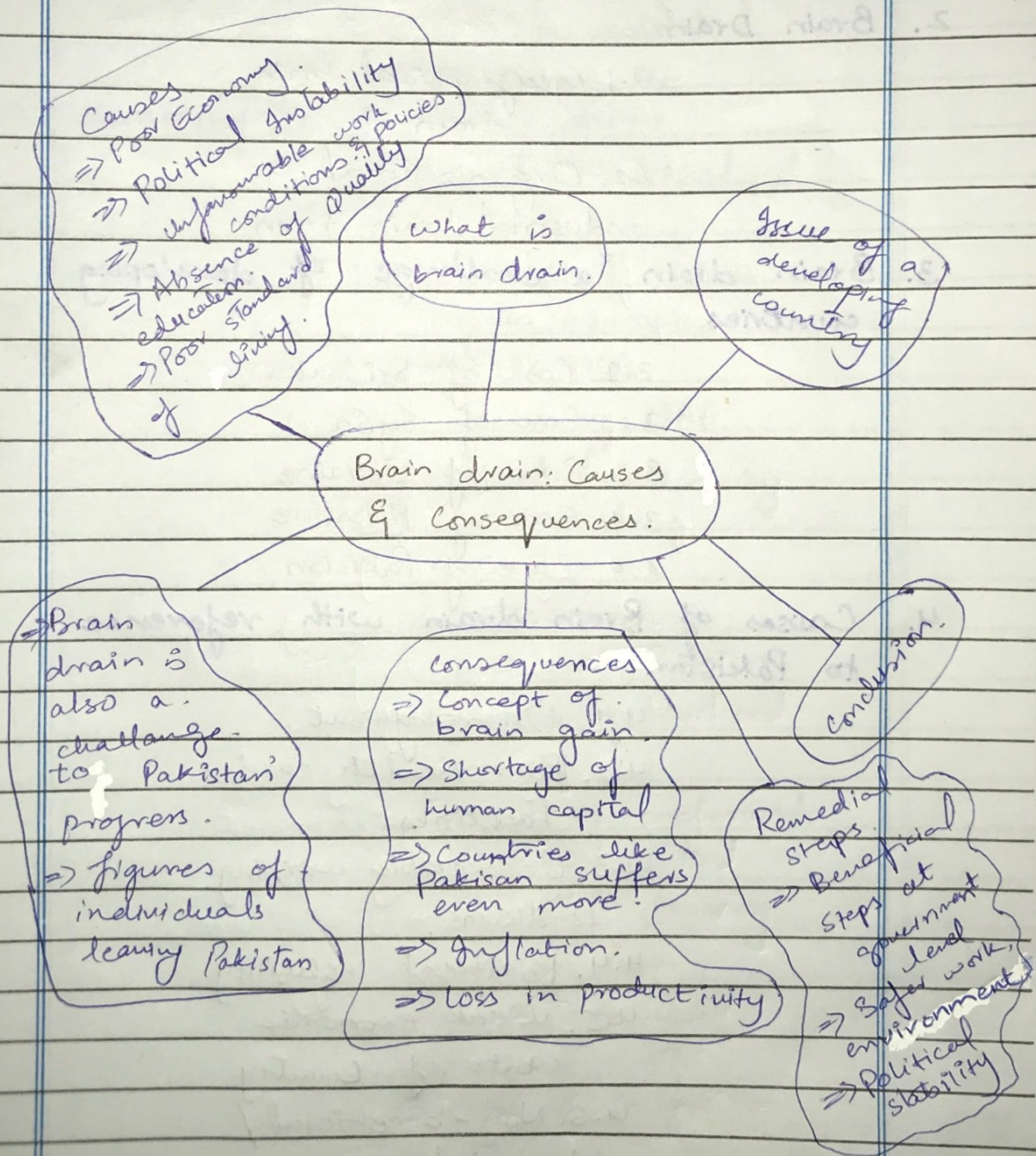
(2) By myself for two hours cleaning the apple vats

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Topic:- Brain drain: Causes & Consequences

Brainstorm the above topic, draft the outline, and write the introductory paragraph.

Brainstorming..



Brain drain: Causes & Consequences:-

Outline:

1. Introduction

- 1.1. Attention Grabber / Hook.
- 1.2. Building sentences.
- 1.3. Thesis Statement.

2. Brain Drain

- 2.1. Geographical brain drain
- 2.2. Organizational & industrial brain drain

3. Brain drain "a challenge of developing countries

- 3.1. Case of Sri Lanka
- 3.2. Case of Syria
- 3.3. Case of Ukraine
- 3.4. Case of Palestine
- 3.5. Case of Pakistan

4. Causes of brain drain with reference to Pakistan

- 4.1. Unemployment.
- 4.2. Poor health care facilities.
- 4.3. Unfavorable working conditions.
- 4.4. Political instability
- 4.5. Weak economic state of Country
- 4.6. Non-beneficial / harmful policies

of government
4.7. Poor management
of sector

4.8. No^{or less} opportunities /
chances of growth.

4.9. Inadequate
education system

4.10. Poor & outdated
infrastructure

5. Consequences of brain drain

5.1. Impact on developed
countries

5.1.1. Concept of brain
gain, examples
of UK, USA,
Germany, UAE
& KSA.

5.1.2. Increase in productivity.

5.1.3. Overcrowding
& strain on
resources.

5.2. Impact on Pakistan
as an underdeveloped
country.

5.2.1. Figures of professionals
& highly skilled
individuals leaving
Pakistan from
2020 - June 2024
registered with
Bureau of Emigration
and Overseas Employment
(BEOE)

5.2.2. Death of human capital

5.2.3. Harmful impact on economy

5.2.3.1. Loss in revenue

5.2.3.2. Scarcity of professionals & skilled labor causing loss in productivity.

5.2.4. Bad impact on infrastructure.

5.2.5. Condition of the concerned industry worsens due to mass departure

6. Remedial steps for countering brain drain

6.1. By enacting favorable policies offering opportunities

6.2. By ensuring political stability.

6.3. By providing safer work environment

6.4. By investing in education, healthcare & technology.

7. Conclusion

Brain drain: Causes and Consequences.

1. Introduction

"The most valuable of all capital is that invested in human beings" - Alfred Marshall. One of the main challenges developing countries are facing is the brain drain. Brain drain refers to the mass migration of highly skilled individuals and of professionals from a developing nation to a developed country. It is not an issue of successfully developed countries as they fulfill basic necessities of their citizens and also equip them with modern facilities and technological advancements required for their proper growth and progress. But on the other hand developing or underdeveloped countries struggle to even provide basic necessities to their citizens, hence, they face the problem of brain drain. The root causes of this mass departure lies within the weak economy, poor management and harmful policies of the government. Unfortunately the situation in Pakistan is not very different, every year a great number of

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professionals and highly skilled people leave the country for their betterment and bright future and as a result the country suffers due to the scarcity of intelligent and capable machinery directly needed for its progression. This essay aims to discuss the causes and consequences of brain drain, unless these causes are addressed properly. The issue of brain drain cannot be resolved.