

- 3 Read the **WRITING FOCUS**. For each point, find more examples in the article on page 26.

WRITING FOCUS

Making your article lively

Addressing the reader directly

I will look at the issues. → *Let's look at the issues.*

University graduates earn more money. → *As a university graduate, you will earn more money.*

Direct questions

More young people are going to university. → *Why are more young people going to university?*

University is about experiencing new things. → *University is about experiencing new things, isn't it?*

Quotations

The Education Minister predicts that new employees will require a degree. → *'New employees will require a degree,' predicts the Education Minister.*

Sam Hill points out that university isn't for everyone, and many are better off with apprenticeships. → *'University is not for everyone,' points out Sam Hill, 'and many are better off with apprenticeships.'*

Exclamations

University isn't the only option. Many entrepreneurs didn't even finish secondary school!

- 4 In your notebook, rewrite the text below using:

- one direct address to the reader
- two direct questions
- at least one quotation
- an exclamation

- 5 In pairs, match the more informal phrases in purple in the article with the underlined parts of the sentences. Make any other changes if necessary.

- Higher education is becoming increasingly expensive.
The cost of higher education is going through the roof.
- Volunteering or doing internships can help you to differentiate yourself from other candidates.
- Graduates leave university owing a considerable amount of money.
- With a degree, you can find a job anywhere in the world.
- The likelihood of finding a good job after graduating is uncertain.
- Many employers believe that work experience is more valuable than a degree.
- University contributes enormously to your personal development.
- Many young people wonder if spending a lot on university is a valuable thing to do.

SHOW WHAT YOU'VE LEARNT

- 6  Do the writing task in your notebook. Use the **WRITING FOCUS** to help you.

Coraz częściej młodzi ludzie podejmują decyzję o rocznym wyjeździe w czasie studiów na zagraniczny uniwersytet.

Napisz **artykuł** na studencką stronę internetową, w którym omówisz argumenty za taką decyzją i przeciw niej oraz przedstawisz własną opinię na ten temat.

Write a composition following the conventions of the genre indicated in the topic. Use between 300 and 350 words.

STUDENT LOAN CRISIS

The majority of UK students will still be repaying loans taken out while at university when they are in their forties and fifties, a study has found. According to a BBC report, nearly three-quarters of graduates from English universities will never clear their debt and will have to have at least some of their loan written off. The situation has been blamed on recent increases in course fees, plus the fact that more students from less advantaged homes are entering higher



education. This is the case for Timothy Spiller, twenty-one, an accountancy student at London Metropolitan University. Timothy comes from a low-income family and will need to borrow the maximum amount available in order

to complete his degree. Despite the prospect of huge debts, Timothy remains confident he will graduate, find well-paid work and pay off his loans in full. It is, he says, a very strong motivator to work hard.