Balanced Argument

Instructions
Task 1 (PLAN): Can you create a balanced argument table for the argument “Is it fair that we are only allowed out once a day, due to the Corona Virus?” Remember you will need to balance both sides with strong arguments. There is an example in each column to start you off.

“Is it fair that we are only allowed out once a day, due to the Corona Virus?”

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<th>Yes</th>
<th>No</th>
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<td>We need to protect the NHS workers.</td>
<td>For people who live by themselves as they will get lonely.</td>
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Task 2: Can you use your notes to write a balanced argument piece of writing. Remember what you learned about writing a balanced argument.

You will need to:

- Start with an introduction - introduce what you will be talking about, include some facts.
- Write in paragraphs - taking one idea from your plan for each paragraph. Start with all the yes ideas then the no ideas. Make sure you give equal arguments for both sides. Give reasons why each argument is important.
- Use a variety of openers - see openers word bank attached for ideas
- Use a rhetorical question
- Conclusion - sum up of what you have been discussing. What is your point of view?

Paragraph example:
On the one hand, lots of people are of the opinion that we should stay indoors to protect the NHS. The NHS are keyworkers who are responsible for keeping our hospitals open and are vital in fighting Corona Virus. We need to stay home to protect them. Do you want all the nurses and doctors to be ill? They will get ill if everyone just goes about their life as normal and then there will be no one to look after those who are ill.