

Bikes: Yes or No?

How does the writer organize the details?

1 **The Question** Should second graders ride bikes to
2 school? Most kids love the idea, but many adults do
3 not. There are good and bad reasons for it. Think about
4 these points.

5 **Yes!** Most kids love riding their bikes. It feels grown-
6 up to get around on our own. Riding a bike is good
7 exercise. It makes kids practice being safe and
8 responsible. If more kids rode to school, our roads would
9 have fewer buses and cars on them. That would bring
10 cleaner air and fewer traffic jams.

11 **No!** Adults worry that second graders are too young to
12 ride to school. Some would get lost. Others would not
13 obey the safety rules. It would be hard to carry books,
14 projects, and lunches. It would be risky to ride in rain
15 or snow. And what about kids who don't have bikes or
16 who cannot ride?

17 **My Plan** I want to bike to
18 school, but we need some
19 changes first. Let's ask the town
20 to build safe bike lanes. Let's
21 get kids to promise to wear
22 helmets. Let's say that all bikes
23 need baskets or saddle packs.

