LNAT essay planning sheet

Use one sheet for every Section B prompt you practise. You have 40 minutes in the real test. The LNAT suggests 500 to 600 words, with 750 as the recommended maximum.

Choose your question (2 minutes)

- Read all three prompts.
- Pick the one where you can see the best objection to your own view.

Prompt I chose: _____

Plan (8 minutes)

My answer in one sentence:

Reason 1:

Reason 2:

Reason 3 (optional):

The strongest objection to my view:

My reply to that objection:

My conclusion (answer the question exactly as it was asked):

Write (25 minutes)

- State your answer in the first paragraph.
- One idea per paragraph: reason, reason, objection, reply.
- Use simple examples. You don't need facts or statistics.
- Write plainly. Short, clear sentences beat long, impressive ones.

Check (5 minutes)

- Does the first paragraph answer the question?
- Have I taken a side, and said where the other side has a point?
- Have I answered the strongest objection, not a weak one?
- Have I cut repetition and anything off-topic?
- Does the conclusion match my opening answer?

Word count: _____ Time taken: _____