**It is shown that many criminals have a low level of education. Some people argue that the best way to reduce crime is to educate criminals in prison to help them find jobs when they leave prison. To what extent do you agree or disagree?**

确定话题范围：犯罪的预防crime prevention

确定讨论对象：to educate criminals in prison

确定是否有限定讨论范围、表程度的词：the best way

确定写作任务：Solution (How to reduce crimes?)

首段：

We grow up in a society that puts a high premium on **education**重视教育 from birth because **it** is **transformative**.

**It** turns individuals around in terms of **being** a good citizen, a good neighbor, **and less likely to commit a crime**.

立论段：

Prison education, I believe, is one of the best ways to reduce crime.

**Formerly incarcerated individuals** with low levels of education often find themselves lacking financial resources or social support upon their release from prison, and therefore they are more vulnerable to committing criminal acts instead of **becoming reintegrated into society**.

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Therefore, it is safe to say that education increases people’s life chances, which is the key to handling criminals and deterring potential lawbreakers.

让步段：

People who are used to the conservative way of dealing with crimes suggest that other measures such as longer imprisonment should be put into practice because a longer period of time being locked up in prison seems to be a tougher punishment.

But, as a matter of fact, it is neither severe enough to hardened or habitual criminals惯犯, nor making any difference in **rehabilitation** of offenders.

Besides, longer imprisonment should be used carefully**;** otherwise, it would be a total waste of resources or an obstacle to solving the problem.

结尾段：

To conclude, education is the greatest equalizer in a society, and investing in prison education could reduce the crime rate to a large extent.

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