



# IELTS General Training Volume 8 Writing Practice Test 1

## HOW TO USE

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# WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about **20** minutes on this task.

Although you have never formally studied computing, you have always been interested in computers. You have just read about a computer course that really interests you, but it is only for people who have completed an elementary course.

Write a letter to the college enrolment officer. In your letter

explain why you are writing

describe your circumstances

ask if a special exception can be made for you so you can enrol in the course

You do **NOT** need to **write any addresses**.

Begin your letter as follows:

Dear

You should write at least **150** words.



# WRITING TASK 2

You should spend about **40** minutes on this task.

Countries around the world will be facing significant challenges relating not only to the environment, but population and education as well.

What problems will your country face in the next ten years?

How can these problems be overcome?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

You should write at least **250** words.

# SAMPLE WRITING TASK 1

Dear,

I am particularly interested in enrolling in the computer course which is being offered at your college.

I noticed the advertisement in the local newspaper, and I noted that the course is for those who have formal training in computing at college or university level.

I have not done any formal study in computing. However, I am writing to ask if you would make an exception to your course entry requirements based on my background reading and the level of computer skills I have developed.

Computers are my passion and I have built up an extensive computer reference library. I subscribe to several computer magazines. I have taught myself all major computer languages, including AppleScript and XQuery. I am familiar with most computer software applications for word processing, spreadsheets and databases, as well as websites.

I am available for an interview, as well as a placement test so that I can demonstrate both my knowledge and skills.

I hope you will consider my request favourably.

Sincerely yours,

# SAMPLE WRITING TASK 2

As economies develop and the world's population grows, the countries of the world have to tackle now and complicated issues. Over the next ten years Australia will have to deal with three critical problems: the environment, transport infrastructure and access to higher education.

Water, air and land are all affected by pollution, whether it is caused by human waste or chemicals in the emissions and effluent from factories and vehicles. Over-watering because of extensive irrigation and the use of chemical fertilisers on farms is also degrading our land. Overcrowding and poor design of internal and public space leads to significant levels of noise pollution. Everyone wants cleaner water and air, and we certainly need quality land and soil to grow the food we need.

As cities grow and become more crowded so we need to travel further to work and then home again. Quality and standards are being raised all the time, with faster and safer freeways and transport systems, and more comfortable travel with airconditioning and solar sealing.

Education and training is becoming more critically important, it is expected that increasing numbers of highly educated and trained recruits will be needed in the workforce. Companies are

are looking to employ applicants with postgraduate qualifications, so no longer are undergraduate degrees sufficient.

The cost of providing and maintaining healthy environments, transport and extended education is enormous. The government is now imposing a levy on people who use our natural resources, fining factories which pollute rivers and the atmosphere, and raising transport fares. Education is also becoming more expensive.