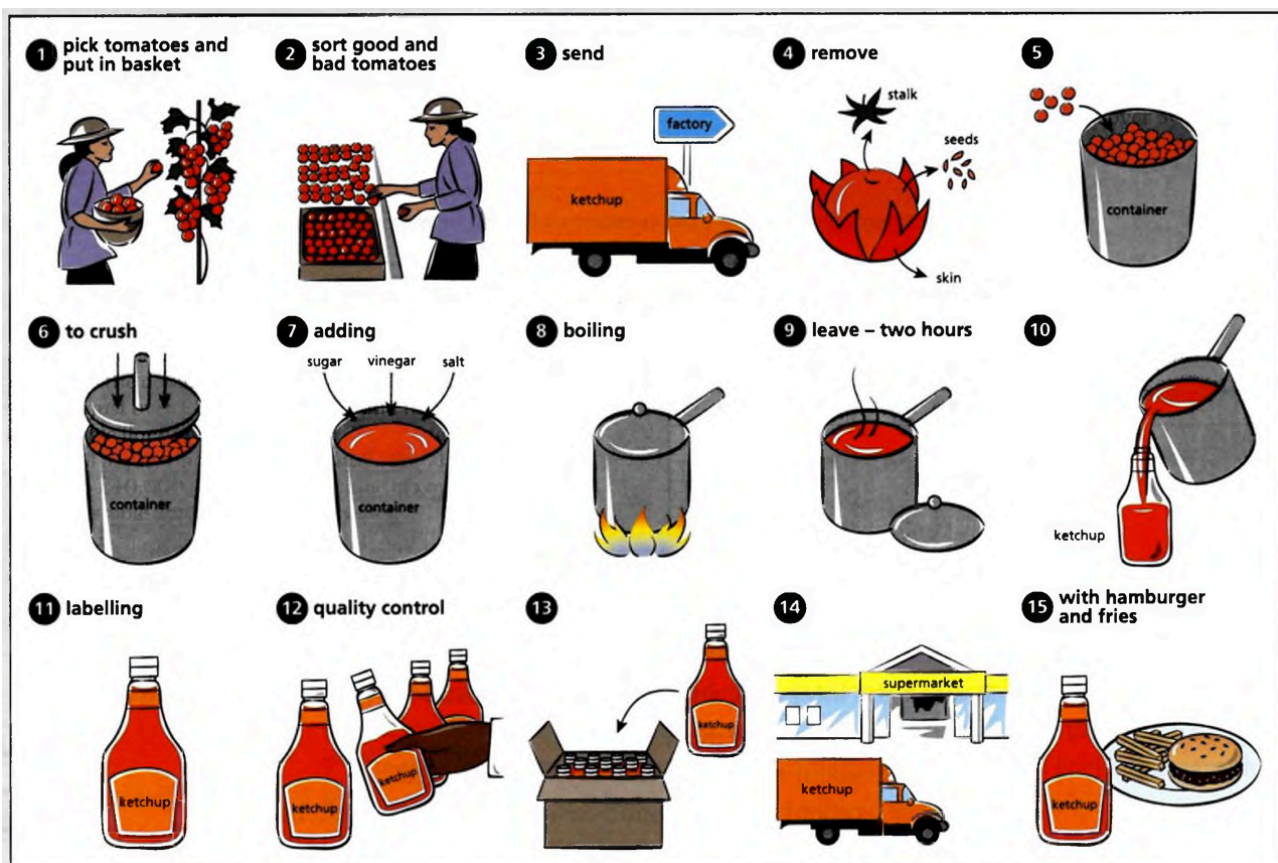


WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The pictures below show how tomato ketchup is made. Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features.

Write at least 150 words.



STUDENT ANSWER

Note: This is **not** an ideal answer. Read the examiner's comments below it for how to improve on this piece of writing.

- 1 The given pictures demonstrate the way of making tomato ketchup step by step.
- 2 Overall, there are 15 steps to be done to produce a bottle of ketchup.
- 3 First of all, a farmer picks up tomatoes from his farm and put them in baskets. Then,
- 4 he selects only good tomatoes from the ones he picked. Once they have been sent to

5 factory, the tomatoes will have a removal process in order to get rid of stalks, seeds,
6 skins, etc. Having been collected into containers, the processed tomatoes are crushed and
7 turned liquid. Next, with adding sugar, salt and vinegar, they are ready to boil.

8 After being left for two hours to be set, the tomato liquid are poured into tomato
9 ketchup bottles and labelled as finished products. The next step is, in order to make
10 quality the best, inspectors check all their products. At just before the final stage,
11 only the selected bottles are packed and delivered to supermarkets. Finally, the customers
12 enjoy the tomato ketchup with their food.

13 In conclusion, the process of making a bottle of tomato ketchup is described with 15
14 initial stages.

(by Suzie from Mongolia — 184 words)

Examiner's comments

This is an example of a strong answer, with a nice range of grammar, and in particular some excellent passive structures (*After being left, Having been collected*). It also has some impressive changes of grammar (*a removal process*). The paragraphing is generally good, with a clear introduction and an overall sentence, and two clear paragraphs in the body. However, some of the **vocabulary is not quite right** (*picks up, turned liquid*), and the **conclusion is a little confused**—it seems more like an introduction. There are also a few **basic grammar errors** in places (e.g., *the tomato liquid are poured*).

This answer would be likely to score a **6.5**.