

Recent Questions for February 2023

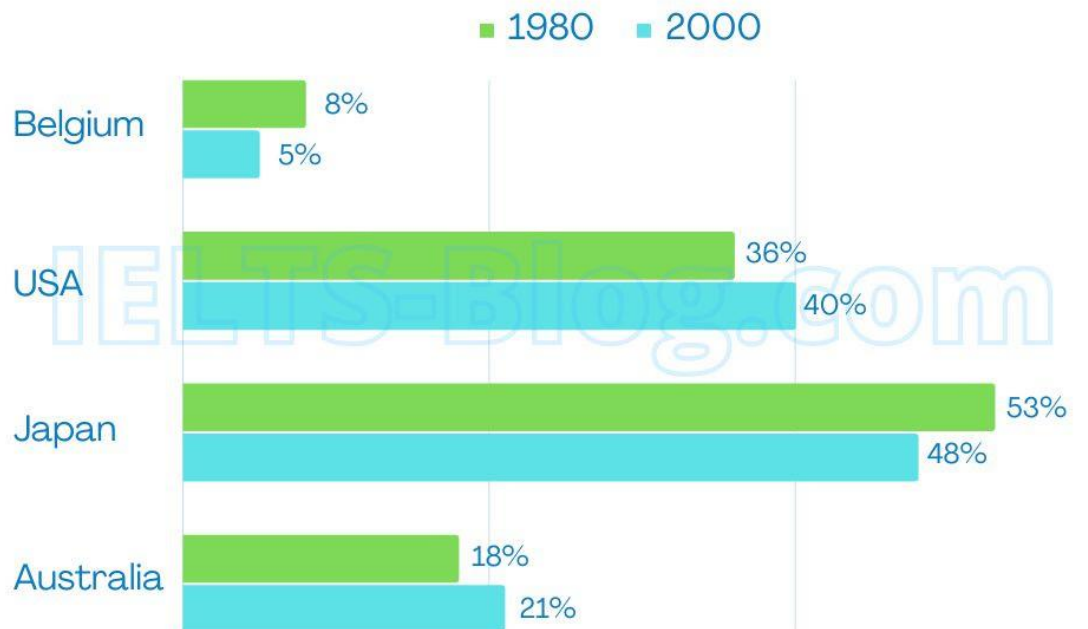
1. Writing test

Writing task 1 (a report)

The charts below provide information about the unemployment rate amongst men and women over the age of 60 in Belgium, USA, Japan and Australia, in the years 1980 and 2000.



Percentage of unemployed women over the age of 60



Writing task 2 (an essay)

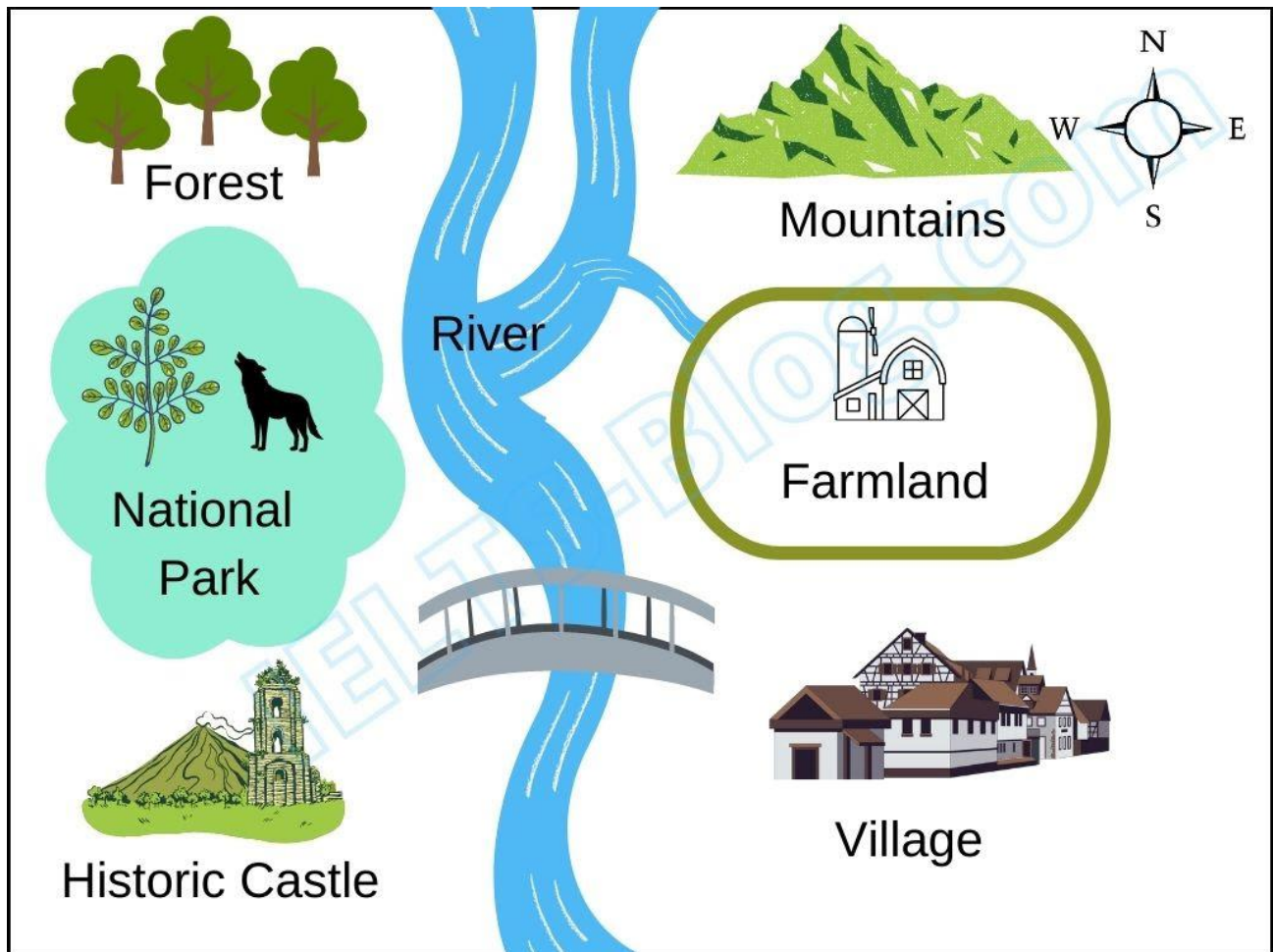
Some people believe that using taxpayer funds to look for life on other planets is important. Others, however, think that it is a waste of public money because there are much more important issues requiring funding on our own planet.

Discuss both views and give your opinion.

2. Writing test

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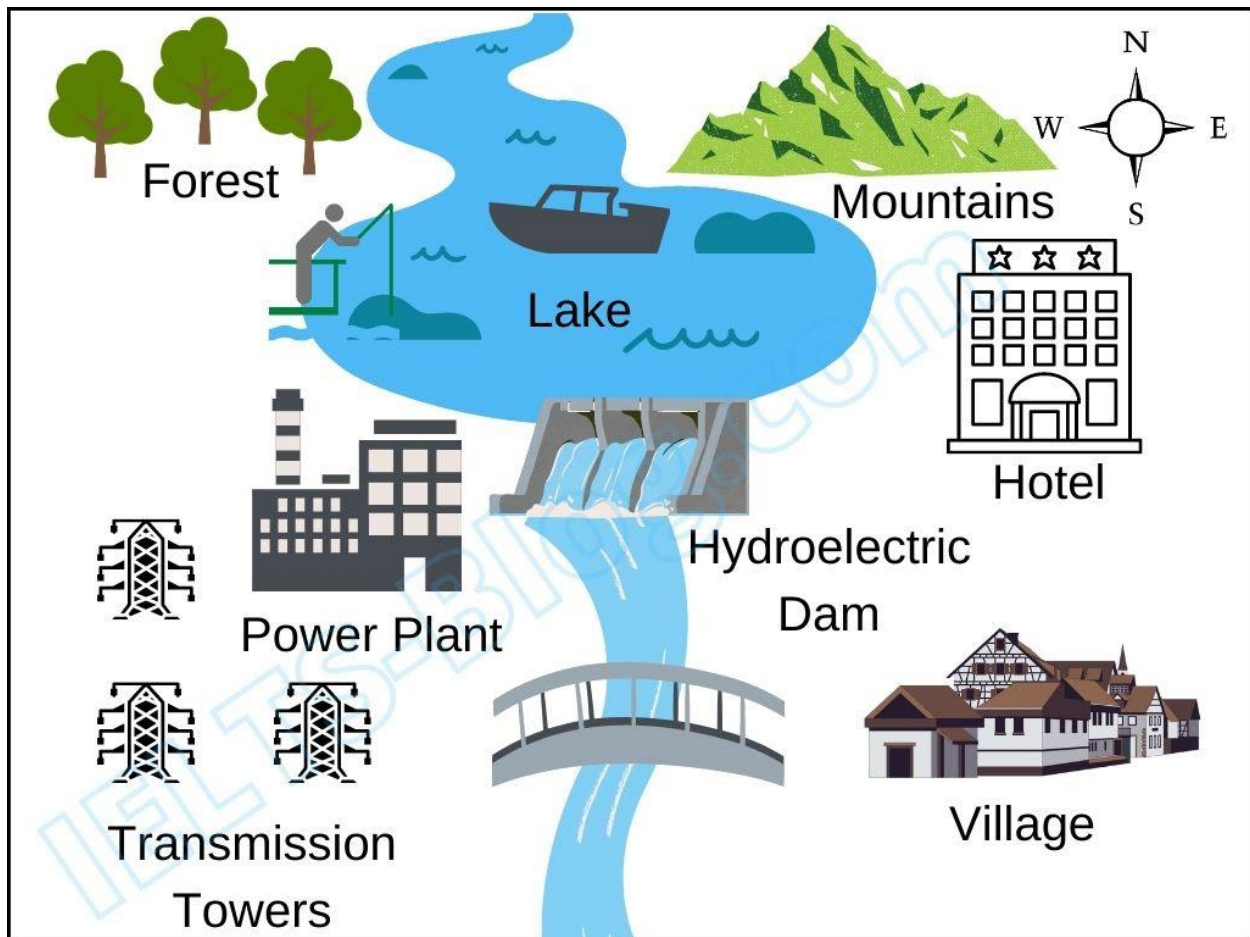
The maps below describe an area before and after the construction of a hydroelectric power plant.



Writing task 2 (an essay)

Nowadays in many countries young people don't communicate with older people as much as they used to.

Why is this happening? How could this situation be improved?

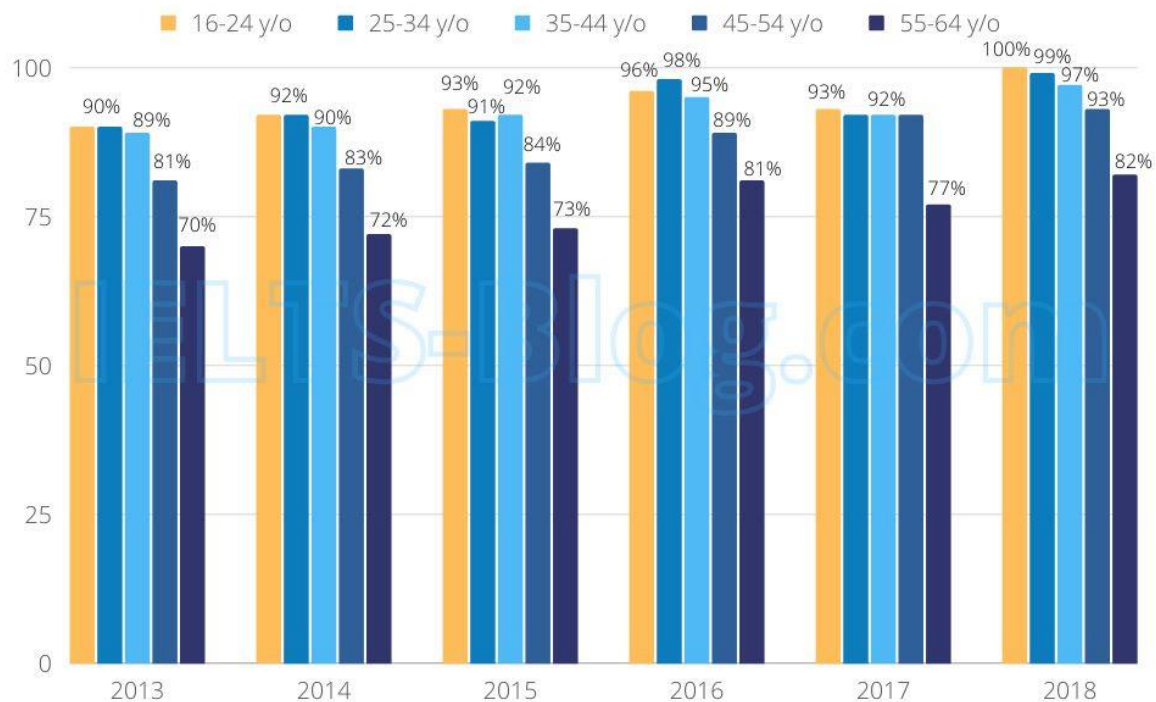


3. Writing test

Writing task 1 (a report)

The chart below provides information on the use of the Internet in the UK by different age groups, between 2013 and 2018.

Use of the Internet in the UK by age, 2013-2018



Writing task 2 (an essay)

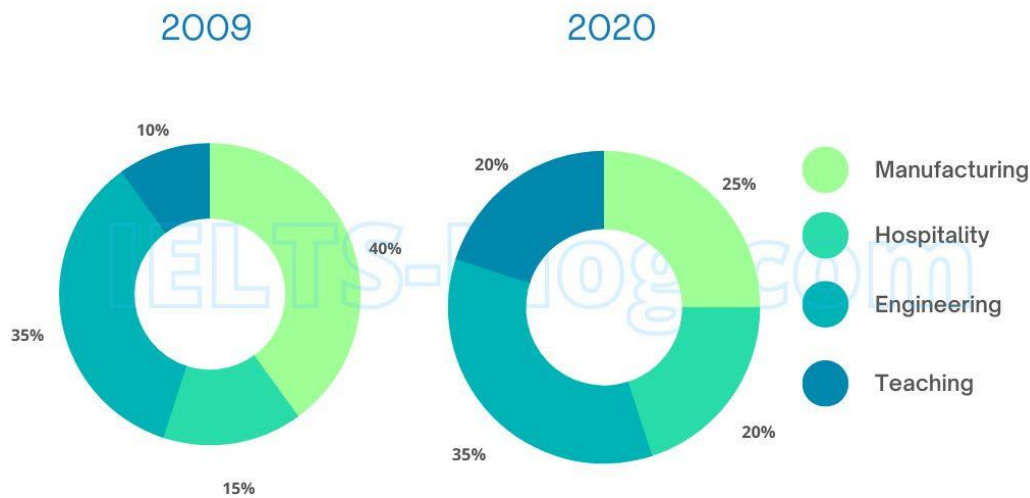
In many countries, city planners locate offices, schools, homes and shops in certain areas so that they are separated by distance.

Do you think the advantages of this practice outweigh the disadvantages?

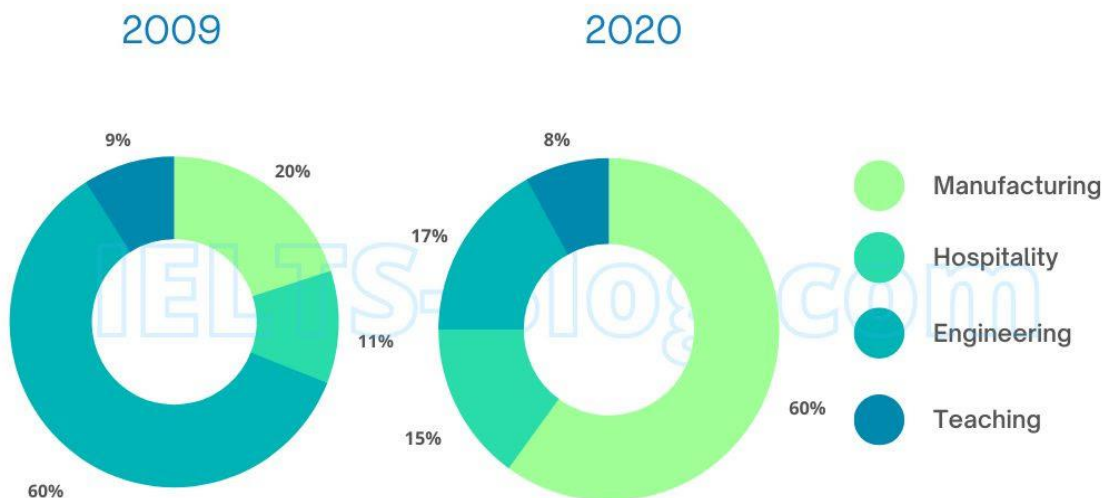
4. Writing Task 1

The charts below describe 4 sectors of employment, in 2009 and 2020, in two towns.

People employed by 4 sectors in Town B



People employed by 4 sectors in Town A



5. Writing test

Writing task 1 (a letter)

A cafe near your home put some chairs and tables on the pavement for customers. This creates a problem for you. Write a letter to the manager of the cafe to complain about this matter. In your letter,

- Describe the problem
- Explain how it affects you
- Say what you will do if this matter is not resolved

Writing task 2 (an essay)

Some people think that TV advertisements can be useful for viewers, while others disagree.

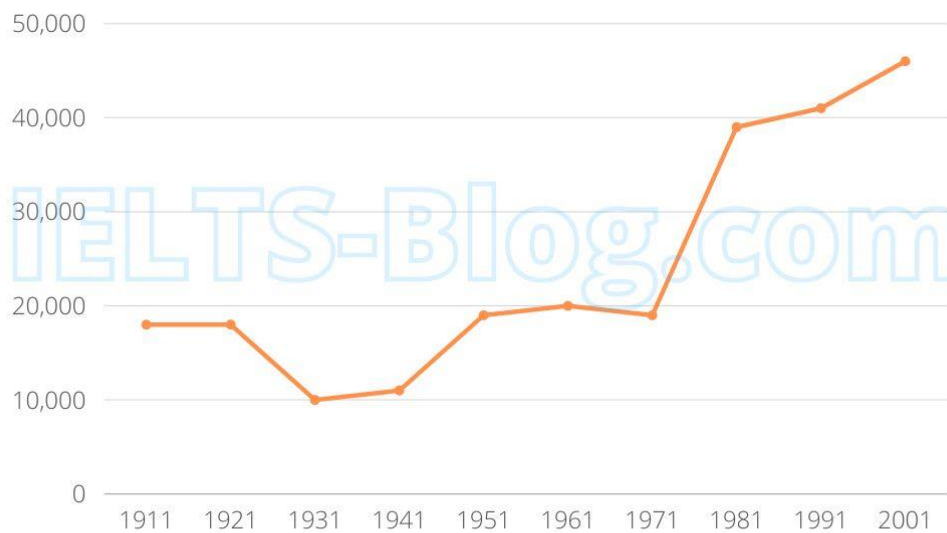
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6. Writing test

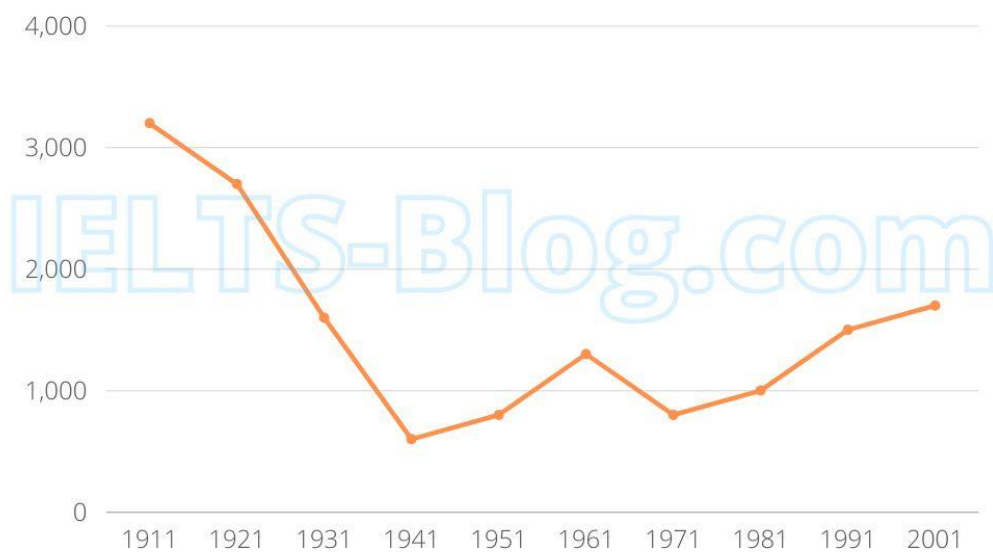
Writing task 1 (a report)

The graphs below give information about male and female prisoners in a European country between 1911 and 2001.

Male Prison Population 1911-2001



Female Prison Population 1911-2001



Writing task 2 (an essay)

Some say that university students should pay the full cost of their studies because higher education only benefits the students and not the society.

To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement?

7. Writing test

Writing task 1 (a letter)

You accidentally left an important item while checking out of a hotel. Write a letter to the hotel manager and ask to send the item back to you. In your letter,

- Provide the details of your stay
- Describe the item you left behind
- Tell the hotel manager how to return it to you.

Writing task 2 (an essay)

People are not exercising regularly, even though they know it is beneficial for their health.

Why is this problem? What can be done to tackle it?

8. Writing test

Writing task 1 (a report)

The table below describes water usage for 3 different purposes in 6 countries in 2003.

The use of water in six countries in 2003

	Domestic	Industrial	Agricultural
Canada	63%	32%	5%
United Kingdom	5%	5%	90%
China	6%	7%	87%
Australia	65%	2%	33%
India	10%	8%	82%
Japan	19%	15%	66%

Writing task 2 (an essay)

Some believe that success in life comes from hard work and determination. Others think that it depends on factors such as money or personal appearance.

Discuss both views and give your opinion.