

Academic Writing Task 1 Cinema Attendance

WRITING TASK 1

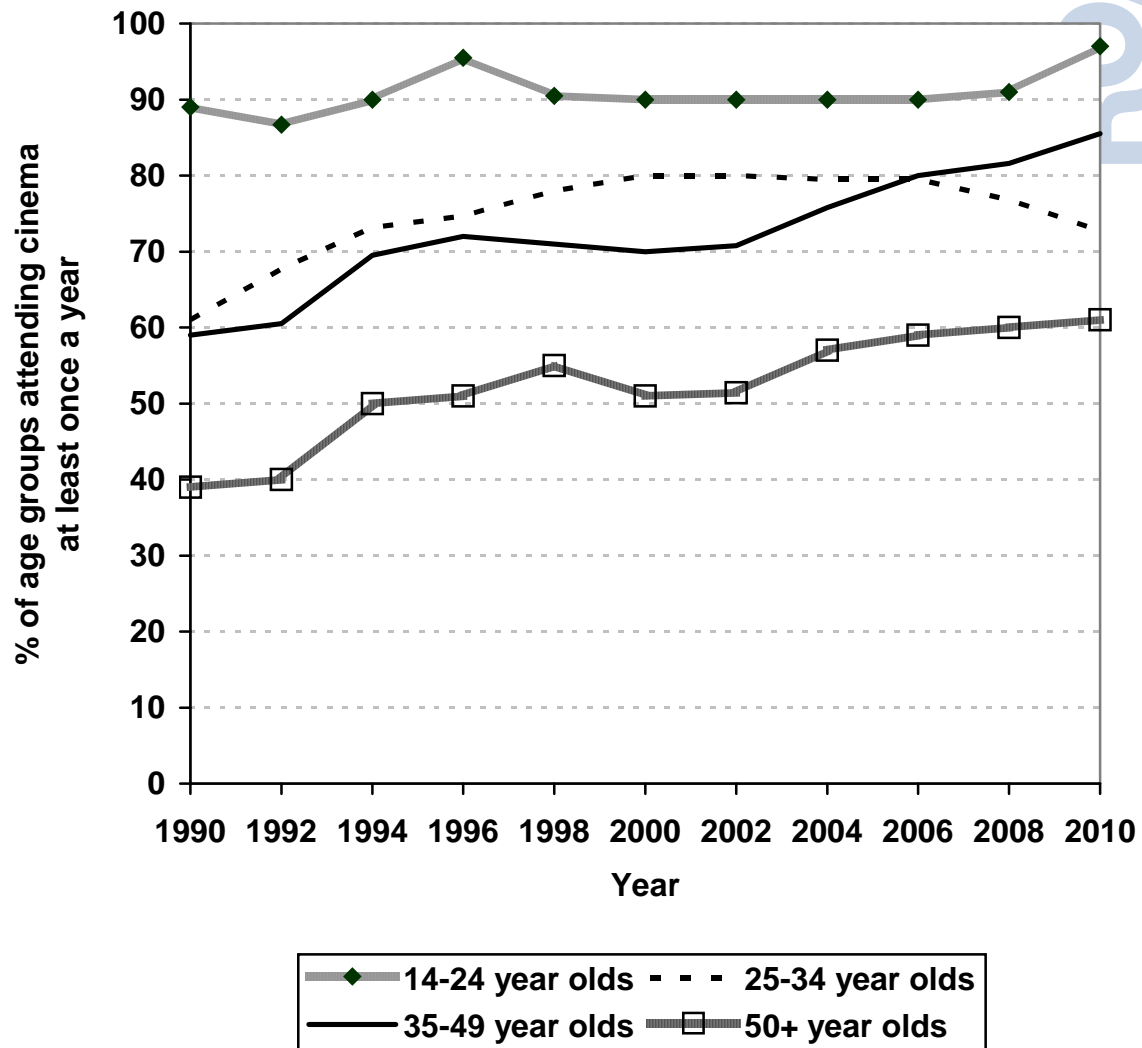
You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The graph below gives information about cinema attendance in Australia between 1990 and the present, with projections to 2010.

Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.

Cinema attendance by age group



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The graph shows percentages of cinema attendance at least once a year in Australia between 1990 to 2010 with projections for the future. The graph is described by 4 groups of different ages which are 14 to 24, 25 to 34, 35 to 49 and over 50 year olds.

The youngest age group people have been going to cinema more than any other age groups and the percentage has been keeping very high at approximately 90% since 1990. It is predicted to keep the high and to increase more from 2006.

The middle age groups people have enjoyed going cinema between 60% to 80%. The percentage of age 25 to 34 group has been higher than the one of age 35 to 49 group but from 2006 the percentage of 25 to 34 year olds people will decrease while the one of 35 to 49 year olds people will increase and get higher than the other one.

The oldest people seem to go cinema less than the other groups but the percentage of the attendance has been slightly going up by 15% from 40% to 55% between 1990 to 2004 and it will keep increasing to 60% by 2010.

Overall it seems the younger age people, the more going to cinema.

Examiner Comments on Academic Writing

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Band 5.5

This response addresses the requirements of the task and selects relevant material to describe. Key features and an overview are presented, although clearer highlighting, more support and a more comprehensive overview would be needed to reach a higher band. Information is well-organised and there is a clear overall progression in the response. There is some effective use of cohesive devices but only limited use of reference and substitution. The range of vocabulary is not wide, but it is adequate for the task. Control of word form and spelling is consistently good, although there are some clumsy noun phrases that indicate limited flexibility. The candidate attempts to use a mix of simple and complex sentences, but control is variable and grammatical errors or omissions are quite intrusive at times. Figures are poorly integrated into sentences and indicate evident limitations.

The weakness in grammatical range and control prevents this script from reaching Band 6.