



WRITING

1 Summarize written text

Task- After reading a text, write a **one-sentence** summary of the passage in **5-75 words**. **Skills assessed-** Reading and writing

Time to answer- 10 minutes

Scoring and number of questions* IMPORTANT**

Summarize written text	10 – 20 mins	1 - 2	Partial credit	Reading and writing Content: 2 Provides a good summary of the text. All relevant aspects mentioned 1 Provides a fair summary of the text but misses one or two aspects 0 Omits or misrepresents the main aspects of the text	Form, grammar, vocabulary Form: 1 Is written in one, single, complete sentence 0 Not written in one single, complete sentence contains fewer than 5 or more than 75 words. Summary is written in capital letters.
					Grammar: 2 Has correct grammatical structure 1 Contains grammatical errors but with no hindrance to communication 0 Has defective grammatical structure which could hinder communication
					Vocabulary: 2 Has appropriate choice of words 1 Contains lexical errors but with no hindrance to communication 0 Has defective word choice which could hinder communication

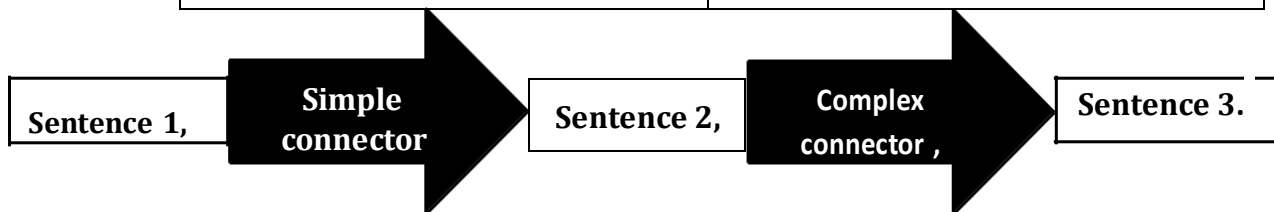
Strategies-

- Make sure that it is **only one sentence**, with a **capital letter** at the beginning and only **one full stop** at the end
- **Your response must be between 5 and 75 words so check the word count** using the 'Total Word Count' counter below the response box
- Proofread for spelling mistakes, typing and punctuation errors
- Divide the paragraph in 3 parts, read one part at a time and pick a complete sentence and type it exactly as it is in the response box.
- You can pick 2-3 sentences depending on the length of sentences.
- Pick up the most meaningful lines from the paragraph which are conveying the maximum idea and then join them with connectors
- No need to rephrase anything



- Use **1 complex connector** and **1 simple connector** to join the sentences. Don't repeat the connectors

Simple Connectors	Compound/Complex Connectors
And, if, but, so, which, besides, yet, as, while etc.	However, moreover, additionally, nevertheless, nonetheless, likewise, therefore, similarly, furthermore, finally etc.





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2 Essay

Task- Write a 200–300 word essay on a given topic

Skills assessed- Writing

Time to answer- 20 minutes each for a 15 marks question



Scoring and number of questions*** IMPORTANT

Item type	Time allowed	Number of items	Scoring	Communicative skills scored	Traits scored
Write essay	20-40 minutes	1-2	Partial credit	Writing	<p>Content; form; development, structure, coherence; grammar; general linguistic range; vocabulary range; spelling</p> <p>Content:</p> <p>3 Adequately deals with the prompt</p> <p>2 Deals with the prompt but does not deal with one minor aspect</p> <p>1 Deals with the prompt but omits a major aspect or more than one minor aspect</p> <p>0 Does not deal properly with the prompt</p> <p>Form:</p> <p>2 Length is between 200 and 300 words</p> <p>1 Length is between 120 and 199 or between 301 and 380 words</p> <p>0 Length is less than 120 or more than 380 words. Essay is written in capital letters, contains no punctuation or only consists of bullet points or very short sentences</p> <p>Development, structure and coherence:</p> <p>2 Shows good development and logical structure</p> <p>1 Is incidentally less well structured, and some elements or paragraphs are poorly linked</p> <p>0 Lacks coherence and mainly consists of lists or loose elements</p>
Write essay					<p>Grammar:</p> <p>2 Shows consistent grammatical control of complex language. Errors are rare and difficult to spot.</p> <p>1 Shows a relatively high degree of grammatical control. No mistakes which would lead to misunderstandings</p> <p>0 Contains mainly simple structures and/or several basic mistakes</p> <p>General linguistic range:</p> <p>2 Exhibits smooth mastery of a wide range of language to formulate thoughts precisely, give emphasis, differentiate and eliminate ambiguity. No sign that the test taker is restricted in what they want to communicate</p> <p>1 Sufficient range of language to provide clear descriptions, express viewpoints and develop arguments</p> <p>0 Contains mainly basic language and lacks precision</p> <p>Vocabulary range:</p> <p>2 Good command of a broad lexical repertoire, idiomatic expressions and colloquialisms</p> <p>1 Shows a good range of vocabulary for matters connected to general academic topics. Lexical shortcomings lead to circumlocution or some imprecision</p> <p>0 Contains mainly basic vocabulary insufficient to deal with the topic at the required level</p> <p>Spelling:</p> <p>2 Correct spelling</p> <p>1 One spelling error</p> <p>0 More than one spelling error</p>

Strategies

- Find out the topic word, what key points you should focus on to answer the question and any points of view to present and discuss



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- Avoid short forms and acronyms (e.g. don't, etc., gonna) and informal words
- Television serves many functions. Watching TV makes us relax. We can learn knowledge and information from TV programs. Besides, TV can also be seen as a companion. To what extent do you agree with this?

Type of essay- Agree/disagree, Negative/Positive, to what extent, advantage/disadvantage

One of the most prominent trends of the present world is the colossal upsurge in the television (topic word). There is a broad concern that this will only lead to a myriad of concerns in the general public/community. In my opinion, television (topic word) has/have more negative effects than positives in society/community.

From one viewpoint, critics may point out that one of the most significant advantages of television (topic word) is the easy accessibility of information (1 opinion). For instance, people can get to know what is happening in the world while sitting in the comforts of their own homes. Also, it is a great source of entertainment. (1 example)

On the other hand, there are a few contentions in favour of my stance. One of the most prevalent ones is that television (topic word) has negative consequences for the community in various ways. Firstly, individuals keep sitting in front of the television for long hours and are becoming unhealthy and obese, for example, the children prefer to watch television instead of going out and play. (1 opinion+ 1 example) As indicated by "The New York Times January 2020", the proportion of Americans affected by obesity has increased from 30 per cent to 50 per cent today (Optional). Secondly, a huge part of the human populace has lost enthusiasm because of watching television and is progressively turning out to be lazier and less productive. (2 opinion)

Ultimately, in my opinion, the government of Australia is taking an extraordinary initiative in disclosing its residents against the negative effect of television (topic word). Citizens are being urged to spend a critical bit of their time in physical activity like games and activities, to make up for their television dependence and habit. (Optional)

In view of the arguments outlined above, one can infer that despite having a few advantages, the disadvantages of television (topic word) in society are indeed too dire to ignore.

Type of essay- Problem/solution essay

You are given climate as the field of study. Which area would you prefer?
Explain why you picked this up the area of your study?

One of the most prominent trends of the present world is the colossal upsurge in the *global warming levels* (topic word). There is a broad concern that this will only lead to a myriad of concerns in the *environment/community*. In my opinion, *global warming levels* (topic word) has many problems and solutions associated with it.

From one viewpoint, critics may point out that one of the most critical problems related to *global warming* (topic word) is the easy rise in the earth's temperature (1 opinion). For instance, the glaciers are melting due to which sea levels are also getting higher. This is leading to flooding like situations in areas close to seashores. (1 example)

On the other hand, there are a few contentions in favour of my stance. One of the most prevalent ones is that *global warming levels* (topic word) has several solutions for the *environment/community* in various ways. Firstly, people can curb *global warming levels* by taking small steps such as switching off lights and electrical appliances when not in use, for example, using solar energy, switching to electrical cars can also make a significant difference (1 opinion+ 1 example). As indicated by "The New York Times 2020", the *global warming levels* have increased from 30 per cent to 45 per cent today (Optional). Secondly, humans should adopt the habit of recycling because the more we recycle, the lesser we waste, and hence the pollution levels will also reduce. (2 opinion)

Ultimately, in my opinion, the government of Australia is taking an extraordinary initiative in instructing its residents against the problems created by *global warming* (topic word). Citizens are being urged to plant more trees and to use renewable energy sources to reduce the greenhouse effect. (Optional)

In view of the arguments outlined above, one can infer that despite having a few problems, the solutions to *global warming* (topic word) in society are indeed too good to ignore.