

6 Writing Task Two: Option 1

Sample Answer

This task appears on page 79 of *IELTS Masterclass Student's Book*.

It has been said that the focus on country's education system is to prepare young people for their job that is better to help them develop into independent-thinking individuals.

Governments need to educate their country's young people. To increase young people's level because if the young people's level is very high that is good for their country's economy. Moreover, if young people can have a high level about anything that can appeal the other countries to go to their country to set up the company which able to fall down their country's development rates.

On the other hand, government focus on country's education system that will give to young people too much pressures. Young people need to have their leisure time to rest because if they don't have leisure time that only focus on learning that is not good for their health and heart.

In my opinion, government should focus on country's education system that also need to focus on the leisure life because if they ...

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Commentary

Task Achievement

In general the response fails to address the task, possibly because the rubric has not been clearly understood. The writer only deals with one side of the proposition that young people should be prepared for participation in the country's economy. He/She does not deal with the issue of character building suggested in the task rubric.

At 167 words, the response is considerably under length.

Coherence and Cohesion

The response is clearly divided into paragraphs, each of which has a recognisable focus. The sequence of these paragraphs is also a conventional one, leading as it does from introduction, through argument and counter-argument, to conclusion. In other words, the text is fully coherent.

The reader's progress through the text is also facilitated by organising expressions – *Overmore* (incorrect, but still comprehensible), *On the other hand* and *In my opinion*. If these had been used more frequently, the text would have been improved. Pronouns are also used occasionally to link ideas, but again this aspect of the text is not fully developed. The phrase *young people*, for example, is repeated very often.

Lexical Resource

Although the range of vocabulary employed is not very wide, it is generally accurate. There is only one instance where an error of vocabulary impedes communication: *fall down*.

Spelling is mainly correct.

Grammatical Range and Accuracy

There are grammatical errors throughout, and these occasionally cause a breakdown in communication, either temporarily or permanently. For example, although the meaning of *government focuse on country's education system that will give to young people too much pressures* is eventually comprehensible, it does require considerable effort.

Lack of clarity might be resolved by the use of commas, but the writer only uses these after adverbials at the beginning of sentences. The incorrect sentence division at the start of the second paragraph also causes confusion.

Control of verb tenses is good.

Marks

This answer would probably receive a **Band 4**.