

Writing Criteria **EXAMPLE**

Basic Writing Criteria

	Task (40%)	Organisation (30%)	Language (30%)
5 (A)	Ideas well-presented & well-supported. .	Paragraph organisation is logical & well-developed. sentences. Introduction & conclusion clearly support the essay's ideas. Cohesion is clear with effective cohesive devices.	Accurate control of word forms & collocations. Full control of simple and complex sentence structures. features such as noun phrases, relative clauses & tenses. in no way detract.
4 (B)	Response is mostly prompt. be more developed. Appropriate	 Paragraph organisation is generally logical & developed. Introduction & conclusion support the essay's ideas but may Cohesion is mostly clear, although thematic coherence may 	 Mostly accurate control of word forms & collocations. some repetition. Work shows some control of simple & complex sentences. such as noun phrases, relative clauses & tenses. the quality of the answer.
3 (C)	 to the prompt. unsupported. academic style. 	 Paragraph organisation is logical but not always developed. Introduction & conclusion may be formulaic. coherence may be missing at times. 	 but do not usually interfere with the message. Limited range of vocabulary. but have errors. Work shows attempt to use grammatical features such as noun not always correct. Tense use is not always accurate. the overall message is clear.
2 (D)	Response is prompt. unsupported. academic style.	Overall organisational structure is not appropriate. No clear topic sentences. , simplistic or irrelevant to the main body of the essay.	occur - may cause a strain on the reader. Complex sentences are attempted but are generally inaccurate. clauses are largely absent. limited. Errors place strain & interfere with the overall message.
1 (F)	Response to the prompt. Ideas are Absent academic style.	 Overall Paragraph organisation is illogical within paragraphs. Introduction & conclusion are extremely formulaic, Cohesive devices are misused or absent. 	 , causing a considerable strain on the reader. inappropriate. Complex sentences are absent. Little control of tense use. sections.



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Writing Criteria for Academic sources

	Task (40%)	Organisation (30%)	Language (30%)
5 (A)	 Response is Ideas well-presented & well-supported. A range of credible sources used. & evaluation. Accurate & effective use of paraphrase, Very accurate referencing & ref list. plagiarism. 	Paragraph organisation is logical & well-developed. sentences. Introduction & conclusion clearly support the essay's ideas. Cohesion is clear with effective cohesive devices.	 Accurate control of word forms & collocations. Full control of simple and complex sentence structures. features such as noun phrases, relative clauses & tenses. in no way detract.
4 (B)	Response prompt. Ideas supported but could be more developed. Some credible sources used. Accurate & generally effective use of & synthesis. Accurate referencing & ref list. in all but one or two unconscious cases.	Paragraph organisation is generally logical & developed. Introduction & conclusion support the essay's ideas but may Cohesion is mostly clear, although thematic coherence may	 Mostly accurate control of word forms & collocations. some repetition. Work shows some control of simple & complex sentences. such as noun phrases, relative clauses & tenses. the quality of the answer.
3 (C)	 Response is prompt. &/or unsupported. Limited use of credible sources. Sources Good use of paraphrase & quotation Inaccuracies in referencing &/or ref list. . 	Paragraph organisation is logical but not always developed. Introduction & conclusion may be formulaic. coherence may be missing at times.	 but do not usually interfere with the message. Limited range of vocabulary. but have errors. Work shows attempt to use grammatical features such as noun not always correct. Tense use is not always accurate. the overall message is clear.



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2 (D)	Response prompt. Ideas are severely Inappropriate academic style. sources. Mainly descriptive writing throughout. misuse of quotation. No synthesis. bibliography. sections of copied source material.	Overall organisational structure is not appropriate. No clear topic sentences. simplistic or irrelevant to the main body of the essay. Overall organisational structure is not appropriate. simplifying the simplified in the service of the serv	occur - may cause a strain on the reader. Complex sentences are attempted but are generally inaccurate. clauses are largely absent. limited. Errors place strain & interfere with the overall message.
1 (F)	Response prompt. Ideas repetitive. Severely limited use of credible sources. Completely Limited paraphrasing & quotation. No synthesis. may be absent or inadequate. sections of complete copying.	 Overall Paragraph organisation is illogical within paragraphs. Introduction & conclusion are extremely formulaic, Cohesive devices are misused or absent. 	 causing a considerable strain on the reader. inappropriate. Complex sentences are absent. Little control of tense use. sections.