

WRITING

AN ARTICLE

1 Read the exam task. What should your article be about? What information should it include?

Articles wanted!
My favourite city

What's your favourite city?

What's so special about this city?

What city would you love to travel to in the future?

Tell us what you think!

Write an article answering these questions and we will publish the most interesting ones on our website.

MODEL ANSWER

My favourite city is Paris because it is so lively and interesting. It is also full of surprises. 1

Paris is a city of variety. It has many beautiful old buildings, but it also feels modern. You can visit expensive 2 designer shops or small, traditional markets. There are hundreds of restaurants which serve French food, or different food from around the world. You can meet all kinds of people, too. There is something for everyone. 3

I would love to travel to New York in the future because I've seen the city in so many films, and I would love to visit it in real life. 4

1 The first paragraph answers the first question and gives a reason

2 Adjectives make the article more interesting to read.

3 The second paragraph gives more details and answers the second question in the task.

4 The third paragraph is about a city the writer would like to go to in the future.

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KEY LANGUAGE AND IDEAS FOR ARTICLES

Use adjectives for describing people and things:

Attractive brave calm cheerful convenient ...

Use linking words and phrases:

and but so because although also as well ...

Use an introductory sentence for each paragraph:

Paris is a city of variety.

A good job should be creative. Photography is a great hobby.

Give your opinion:

I think ... It seems to me that ... I would say that ...

2 Choose the best introductory sentence in italics for each opening paragraph.

1 There are many benefits to keeping fit. / I don't really do enough exercise. Doing regular exercise is good for your heart, and it helps you to lose weight. It can also improve your mood, especially if you feeling tired or unhappy.

2 Some older people are not used to the internet. / The internet has changed people's lives in many ways. People can now go online to do their shopping and book restaurants and holidays. Students also have access to lots of information that was difficult to find before the internet.

3 Teaching is a very difficult job. / I would like to become a teacher. Students are not always interested in learning, and teachers have to work hard to encourage their students to study. Also, there are sometimes problems with bad behaviour from students.

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3 Complete the table with the adjectives from the box. Can you add any more adjectives?

amusing delicious freezing
frightening
old-fashioned peaceful quiet
stormy
tasty tight



4 Read the exam task in Exercise 5. What should your article be about? What should it include?

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5 Before you write your article, complete the table with ideas.

Articles wanted!

My perfect job

What makes the perfect job?

Is it being creative, travelling, meeting people, or something else?

How important is it to earn a lot of money?

Tell us what you think!

Write an article answering these questions and we will publish the most interesting ones on our website.

Paragraph 1

(answer the first question)

Paragraph 2

(give more details)

Paragraph 3

(give your opinion about money)

Useful phrases I can use

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6 Write your article, using your notes from Exercise 5. Write about 100 words.



A set of six horizontal lines for writing, each preceded by a black star icon. The lines are evenly spaced and extend across the width of the writing area.

7 Check your article and make changes if necessary.

- ☐ Have you answered all the questions and included all the necessary information?
- ☐ Have you used adjectives to make your article interesting to read?
- ☐ Have you expressed a personal opinion?
- ☐ Have you used linking words and phrases?
- ☐ Have you counted your words?