IELTS WRITING TASK 1 ACADEMIC

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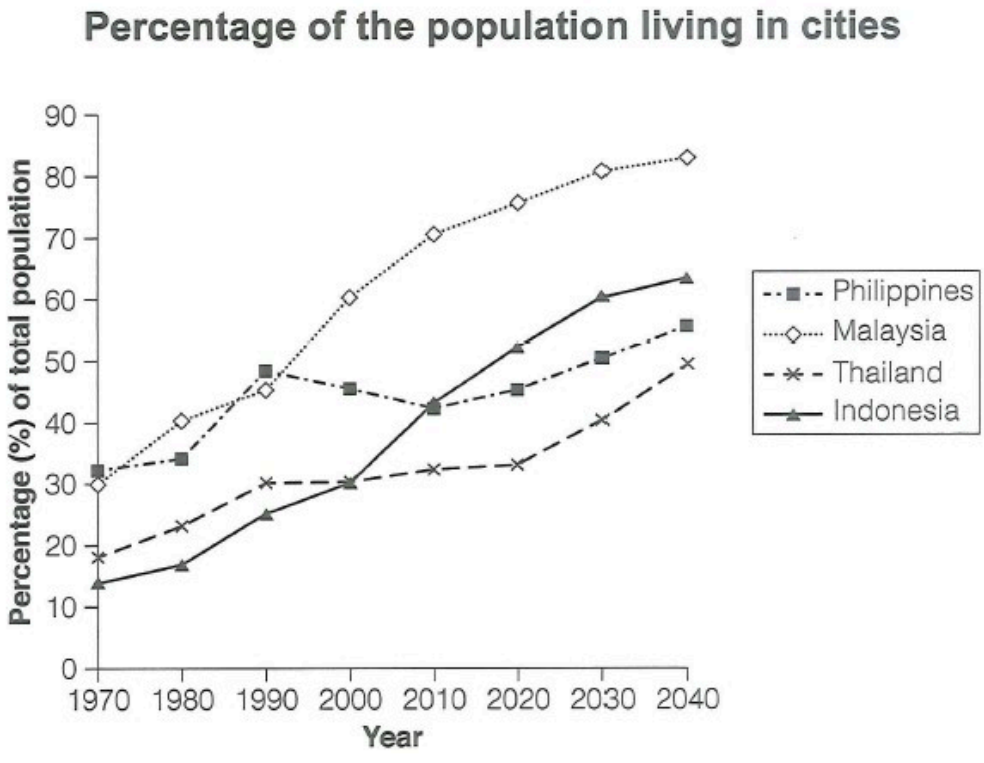
Line Graphs

Percentage of the population living in cities (Philippines, Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia)- Cambridge 18 Test 1

The graph below gives information about the percentage of the population in four Asian countries living in cities from 1970 to 2020, with predictions for 2030 and 2040.

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

Write at least 150 words.



Average Monthly Change in prices of 3 metals (Copper, Nickel & Zinc)- Cambridge 18 Test 4

The graph below shows the average monthly change in the prices of three metals during 2014.

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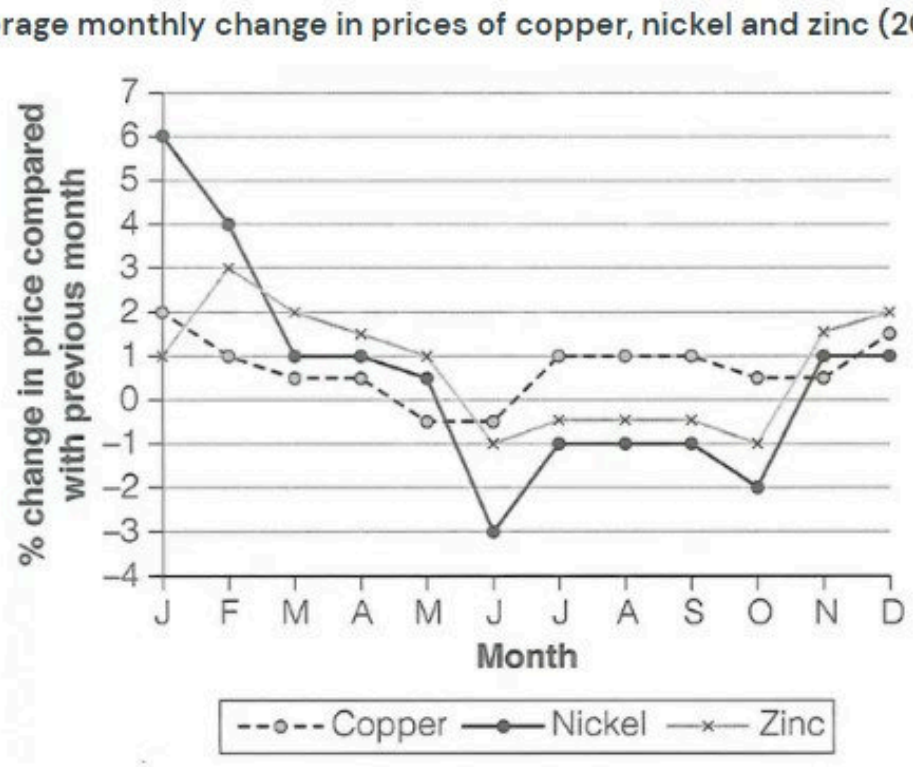

No of shop closures & openings- Cambridge 17 Test 4

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The graph below shows the number of shops that closed and the number of new shops that opened in one country between 2011 and 2018.

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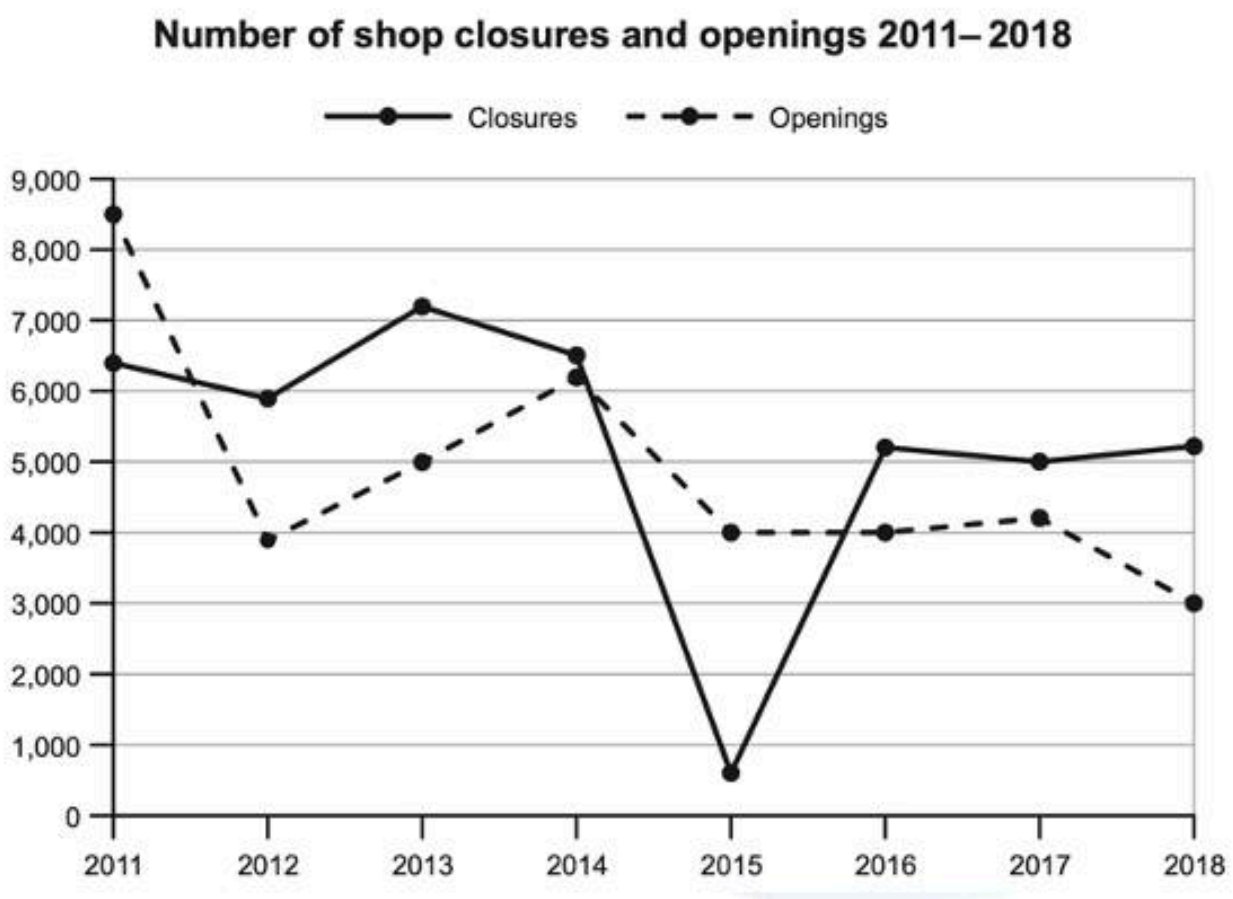

Quantities of goods transported in the UK

WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The graph below shows the quantities of goods transported in the UK between 1974 and 2002 by four different modes of transport.

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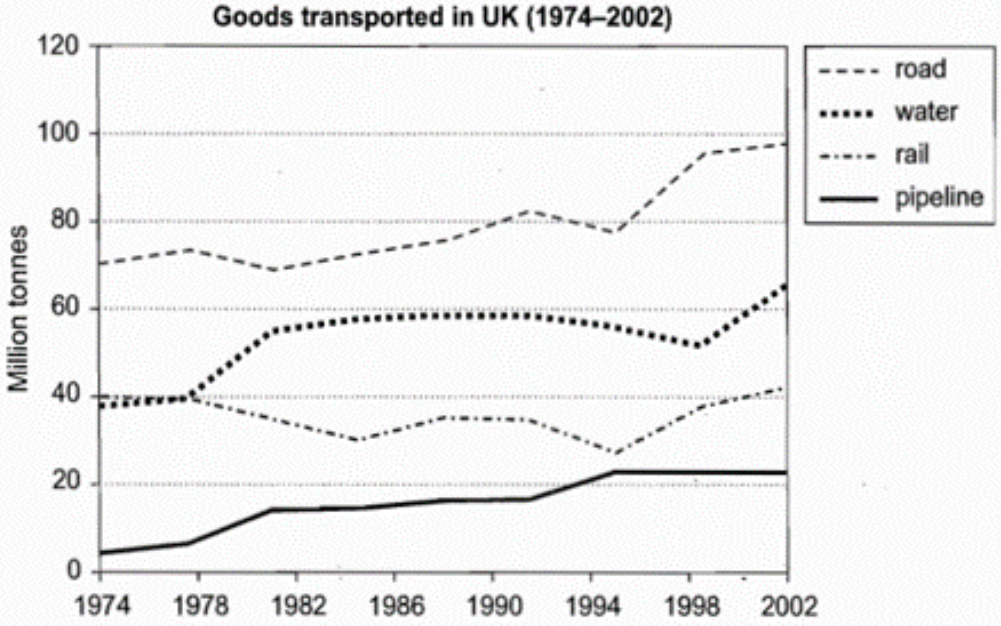

Fish & meat consumption in a European country

WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The graph below shows the consumption of fish and some different kinds of meat in a European country between 1979 and 2004.

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

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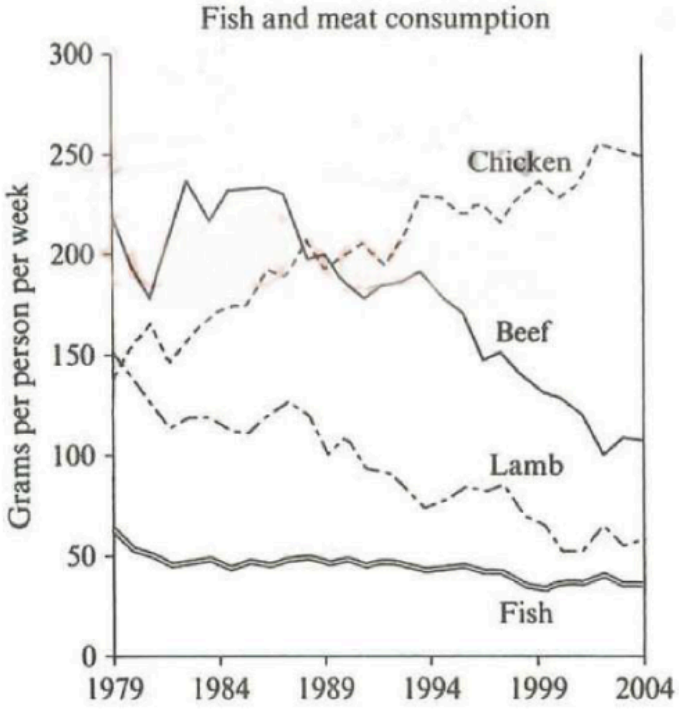

Consumption of energy in the USA since 1980 with projections

The graph below gives information from a 2008 report about consumption of energy in the USA since 1980 with projections until 2030.

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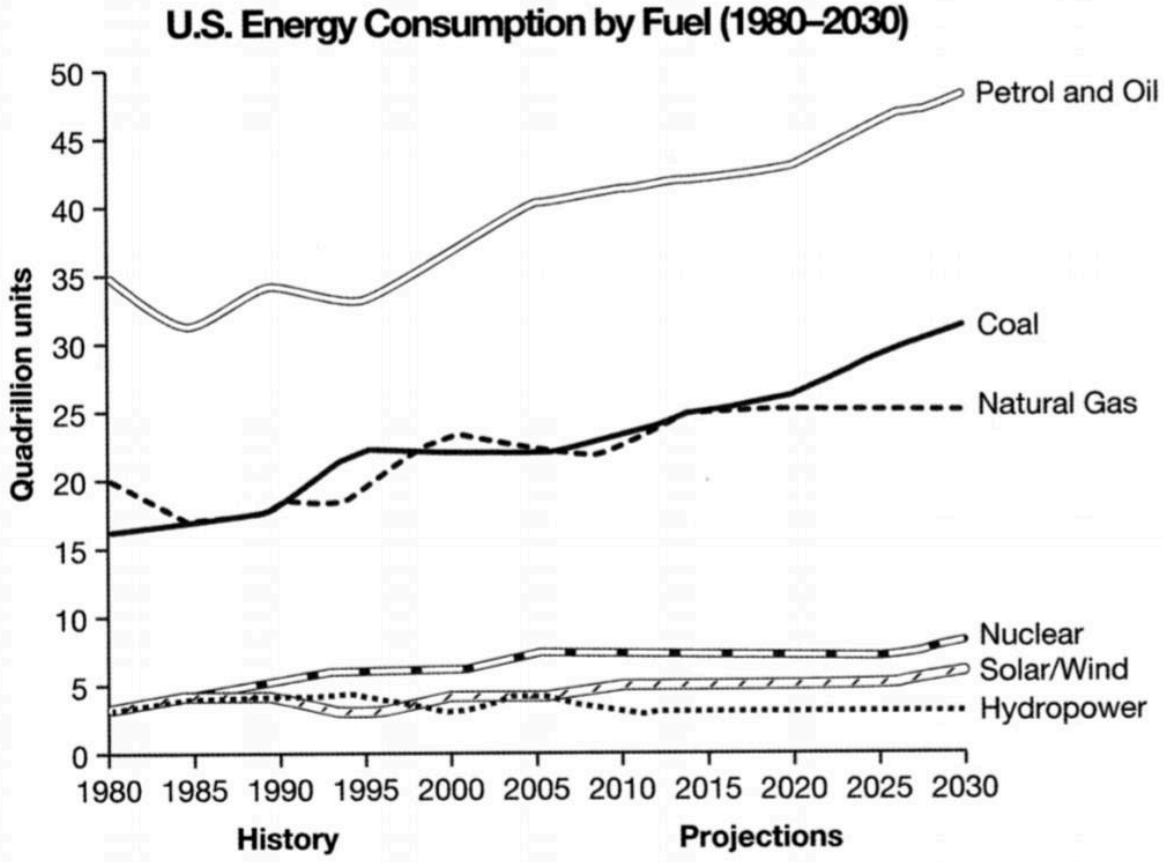

C02 Emission in the UK, Sweden, Italy & Portugal

The graph below shows average carbon dioxide (CO_2) emissions per person in the United Kingdom, Sweden, Italy and Portugal between 1967 and 2007.

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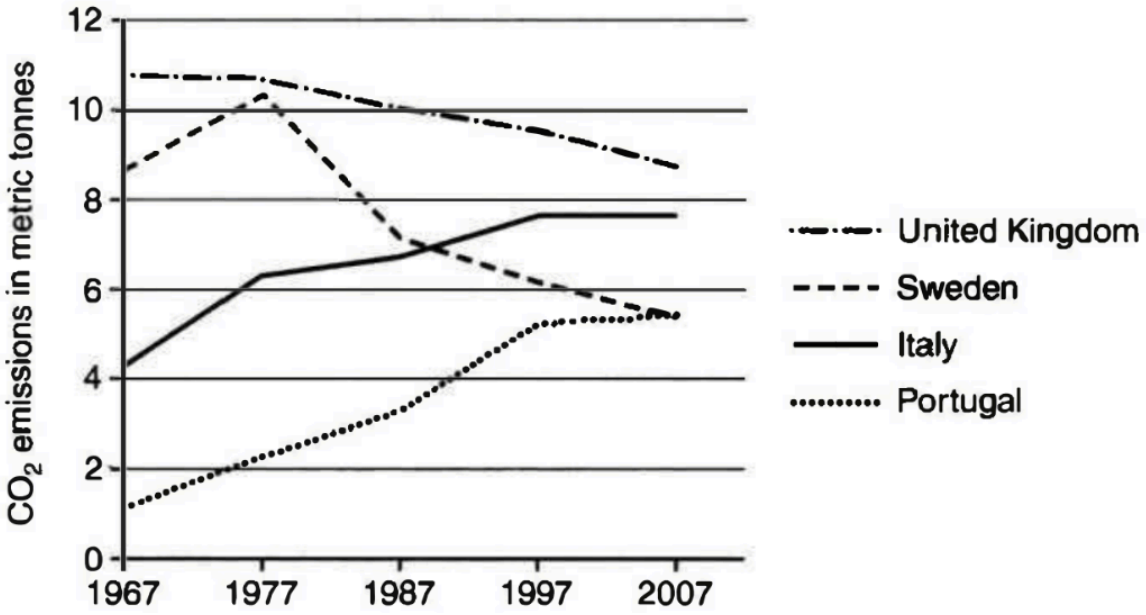
Write at least 150 words.

Average carbon dioxide (CO_2) emissions per person, 1967–2007

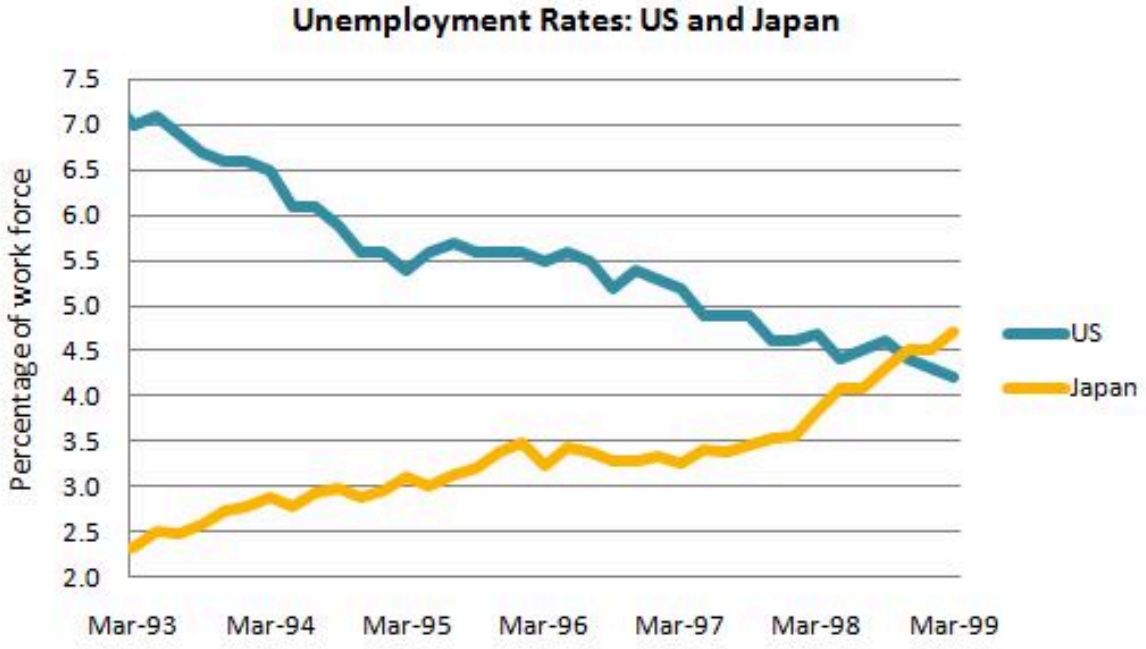


Unemployment rates in US & Japan

The graph below shows the unemployment rates in the US and Japan between March 1993 and March 1999.

Write a short report for a university lecturer describing the information shown below.

You should write at least 150 words.



Proportion of population aged 65+

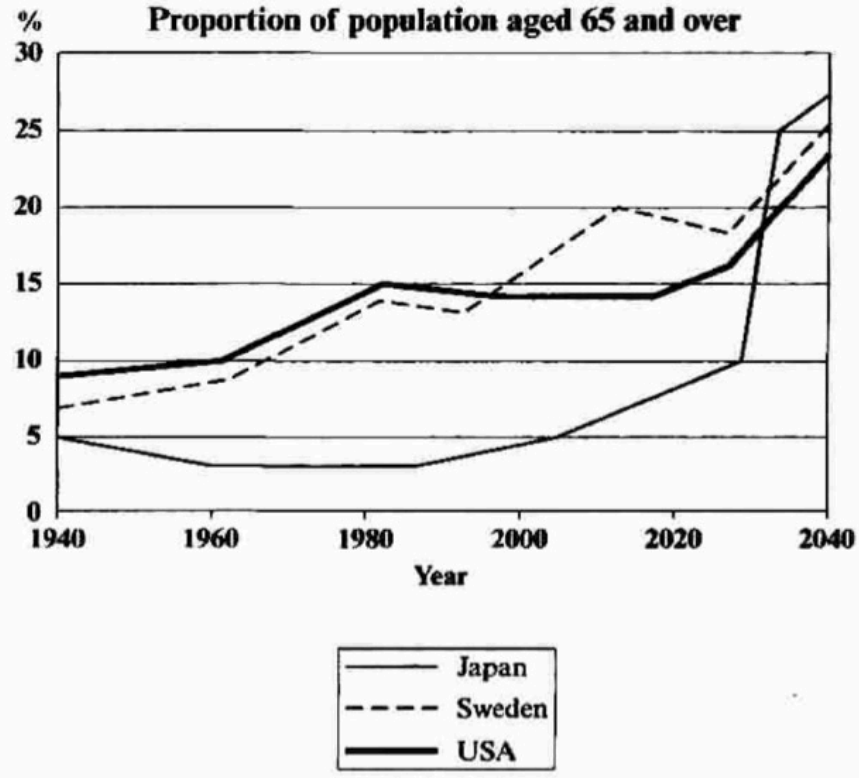
WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The graph below shows the proportion of the population aged 65 and over between 1940 and 2040 in three different countries.

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

Write at least 150 words.



Bar Charts

No of US households by annual income- Cambridge 18 Test 2

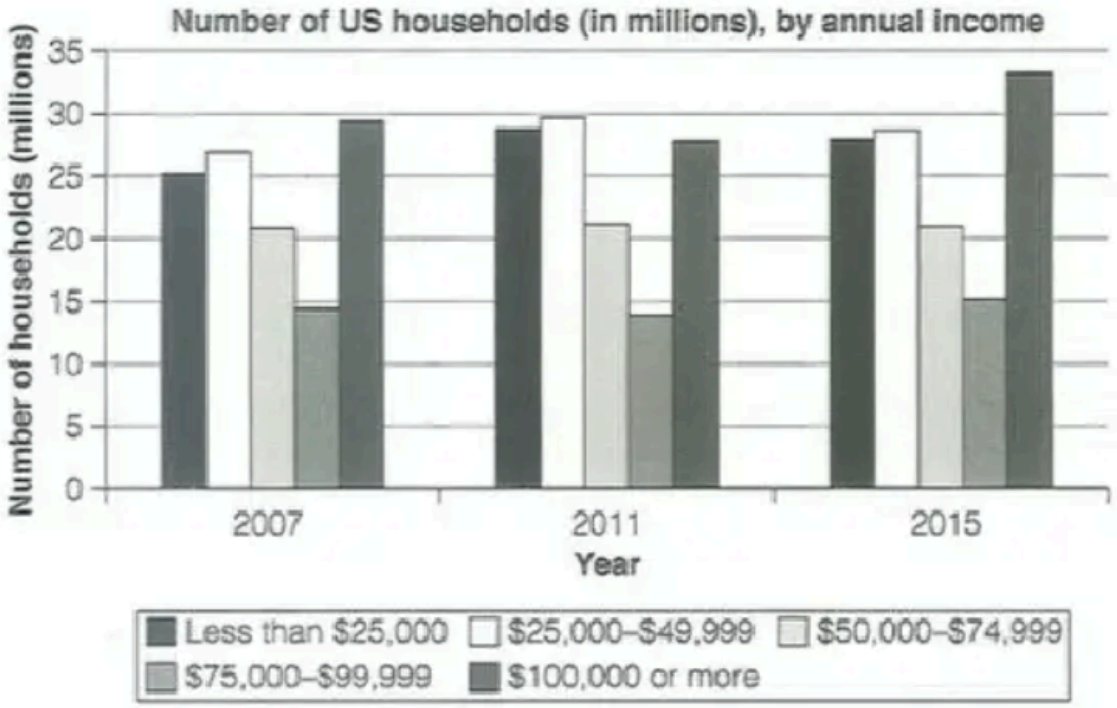
WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The chart below shows the number of households in the US by their annual income in 2007, 2011 and 2015.

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

Write at least 150 words.



Average spending by families- Cambridge 17 Test 3

The chart below gives information about how families in one country spent their weekly income in 1968 and in 2018.

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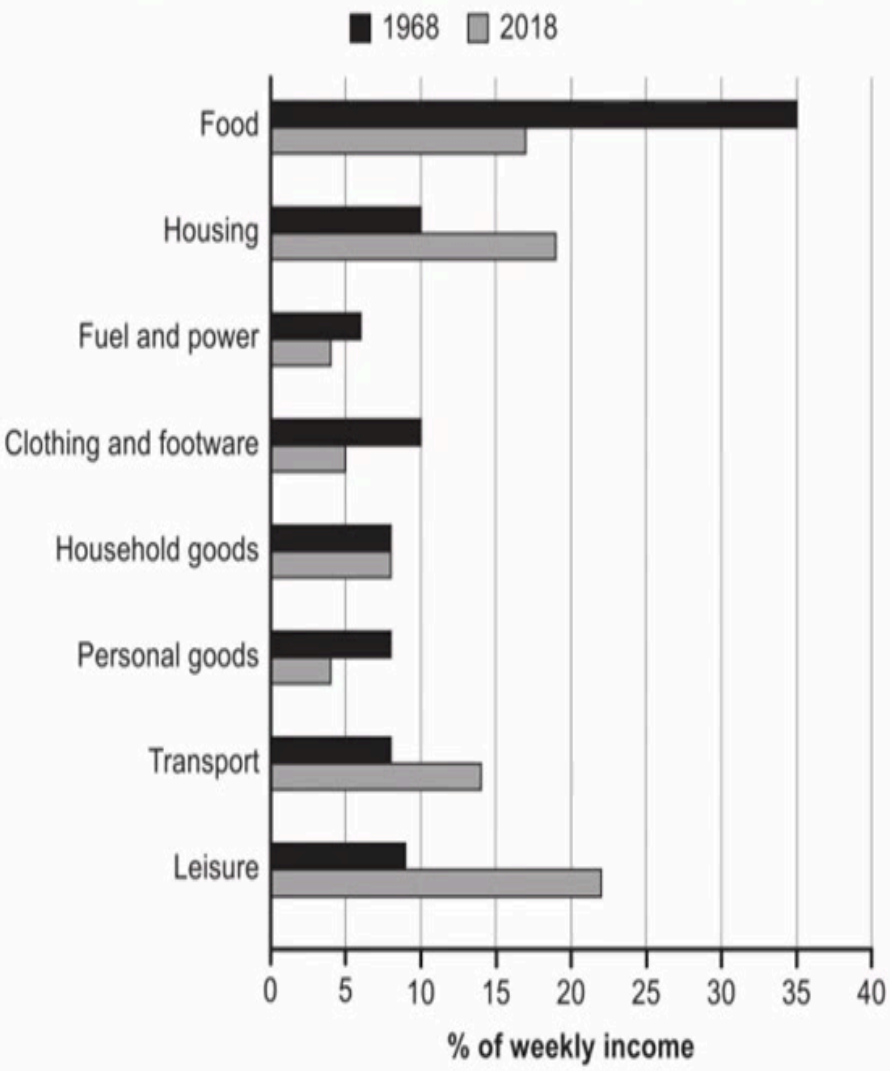


Leisure time per week by sex & employment

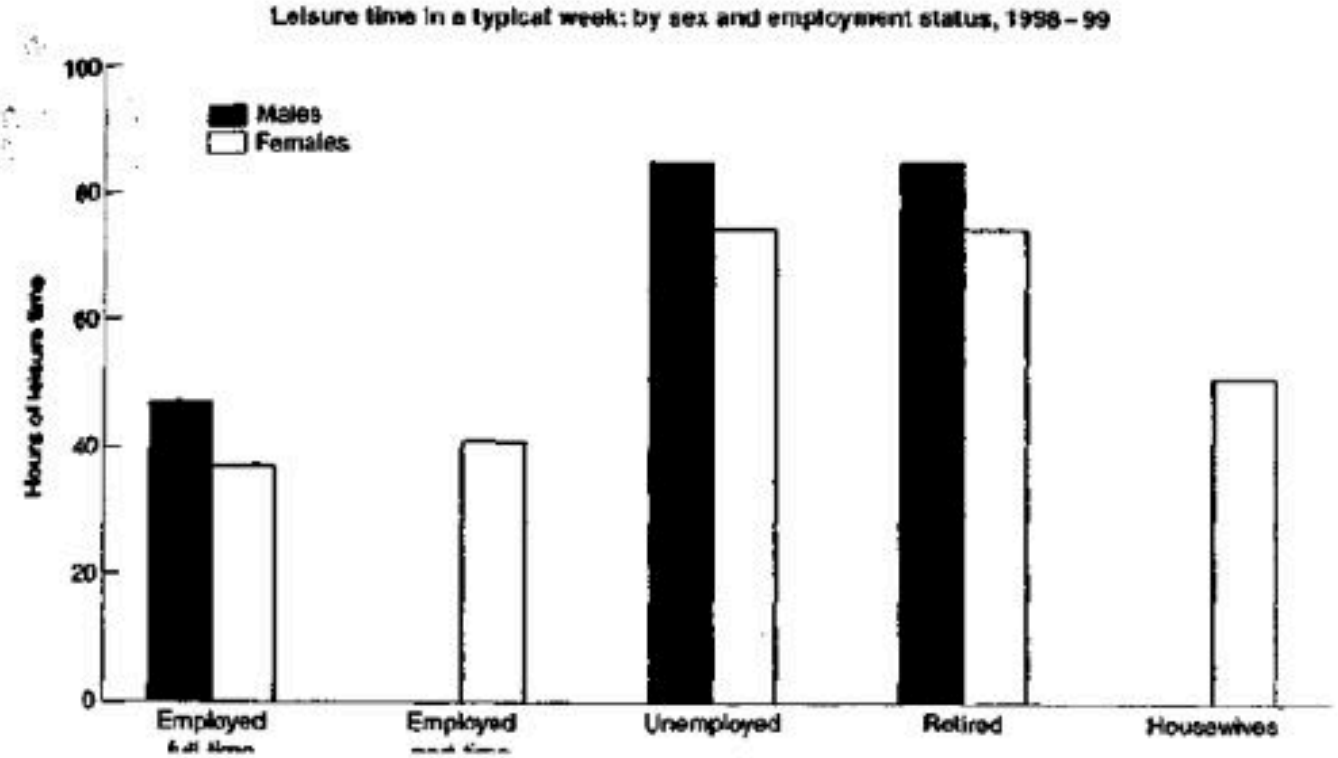
WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The chart below shows the amount of leisure time enjoyed by men and women of different employment status.

Write a report for a university lecturer describing the information shown below.

You should write at least 150 words.



Australian physical activity for men & women

WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The bar chart below shows the percentage of Australian men and women in different age groups who did regular physical activity in 2010.

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

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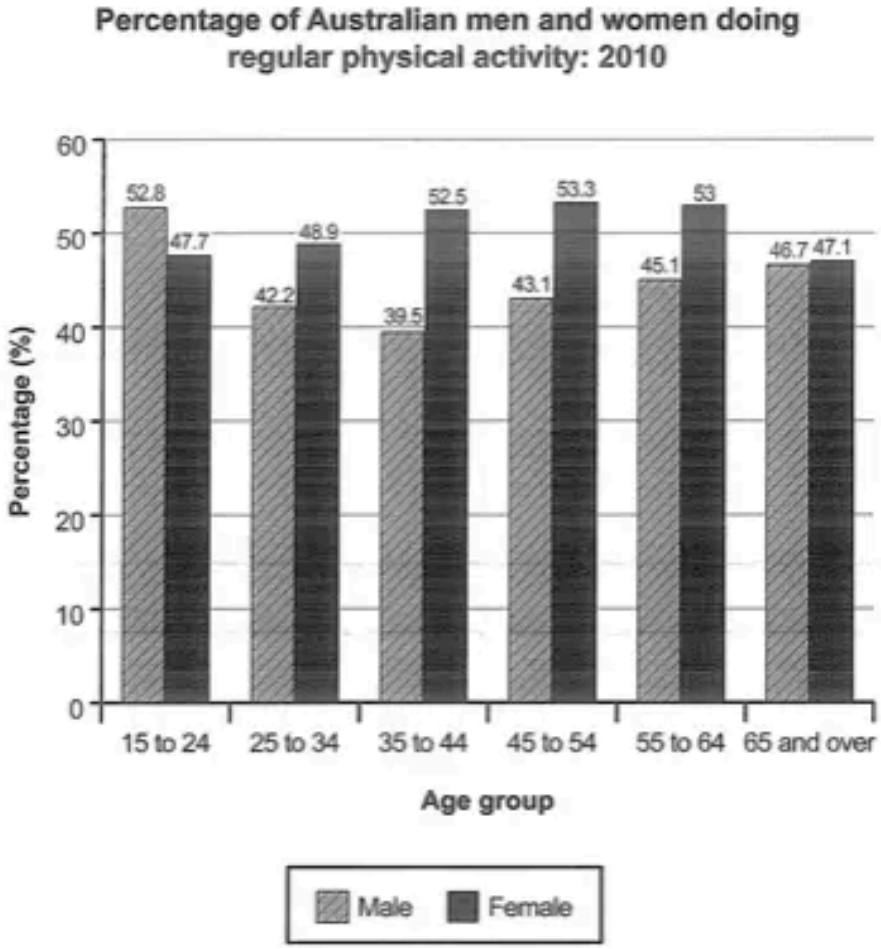

Fast food eating frequency in the USA

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You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The chart below shows how frequently people in the USA ate in fast food restaurants between 2003 and 2013.

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

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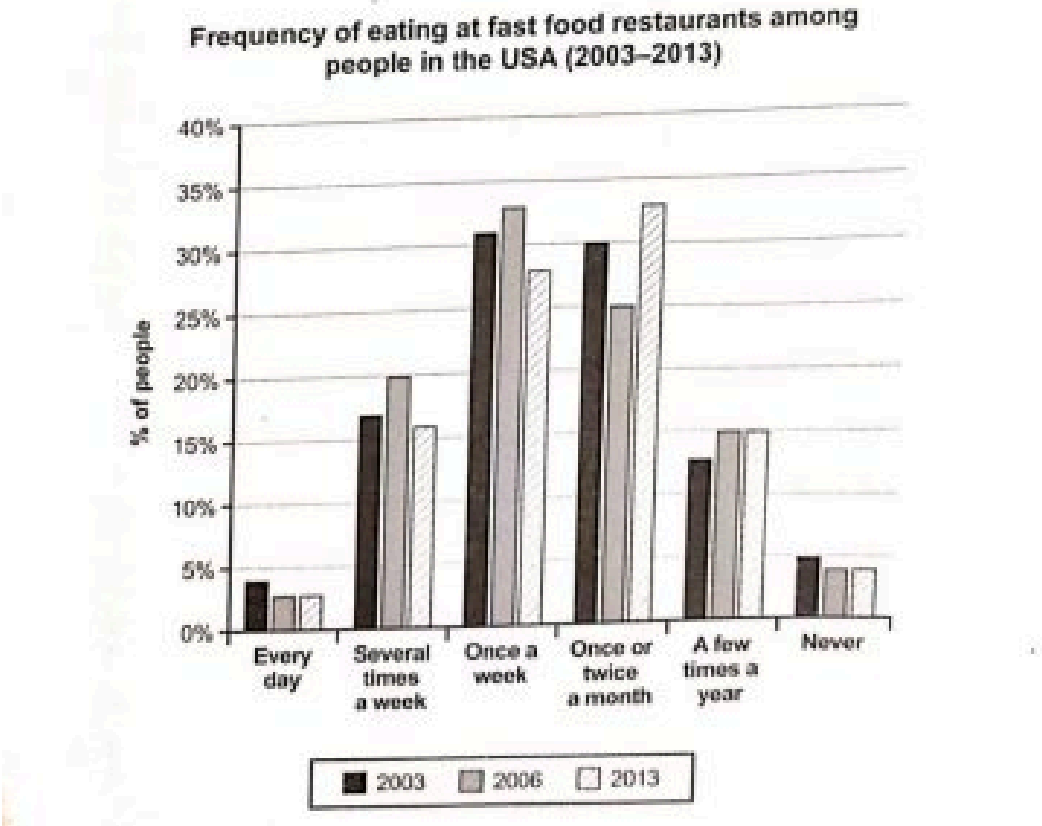


UK graduates and postgraduates who didn't go into full time work

WRITING TASK 1

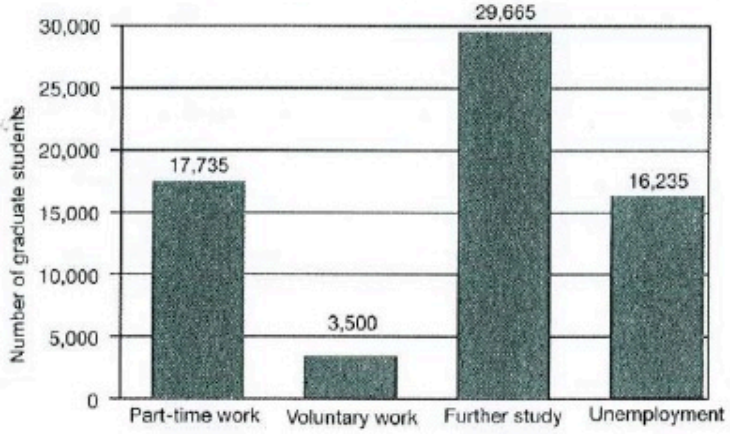
You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The charts below show what UK graduate and postgraduate students who did not go into full-time work did after leaving college in 2008.

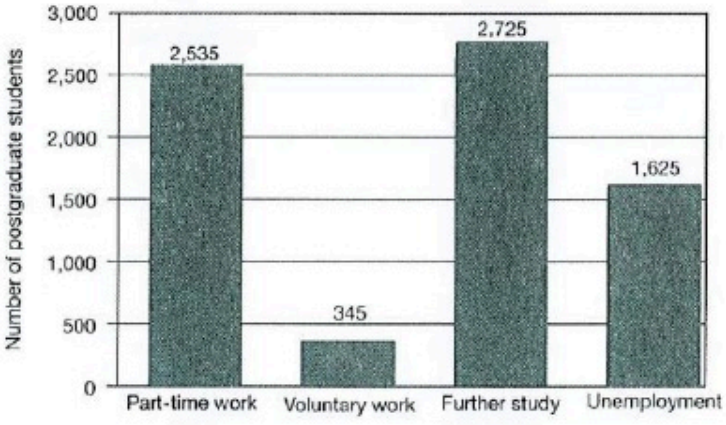
Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.

Destination of UK graduates (excluding full-time work) 2008



Destination of UK postgraduates (excluding full-time work) 2008

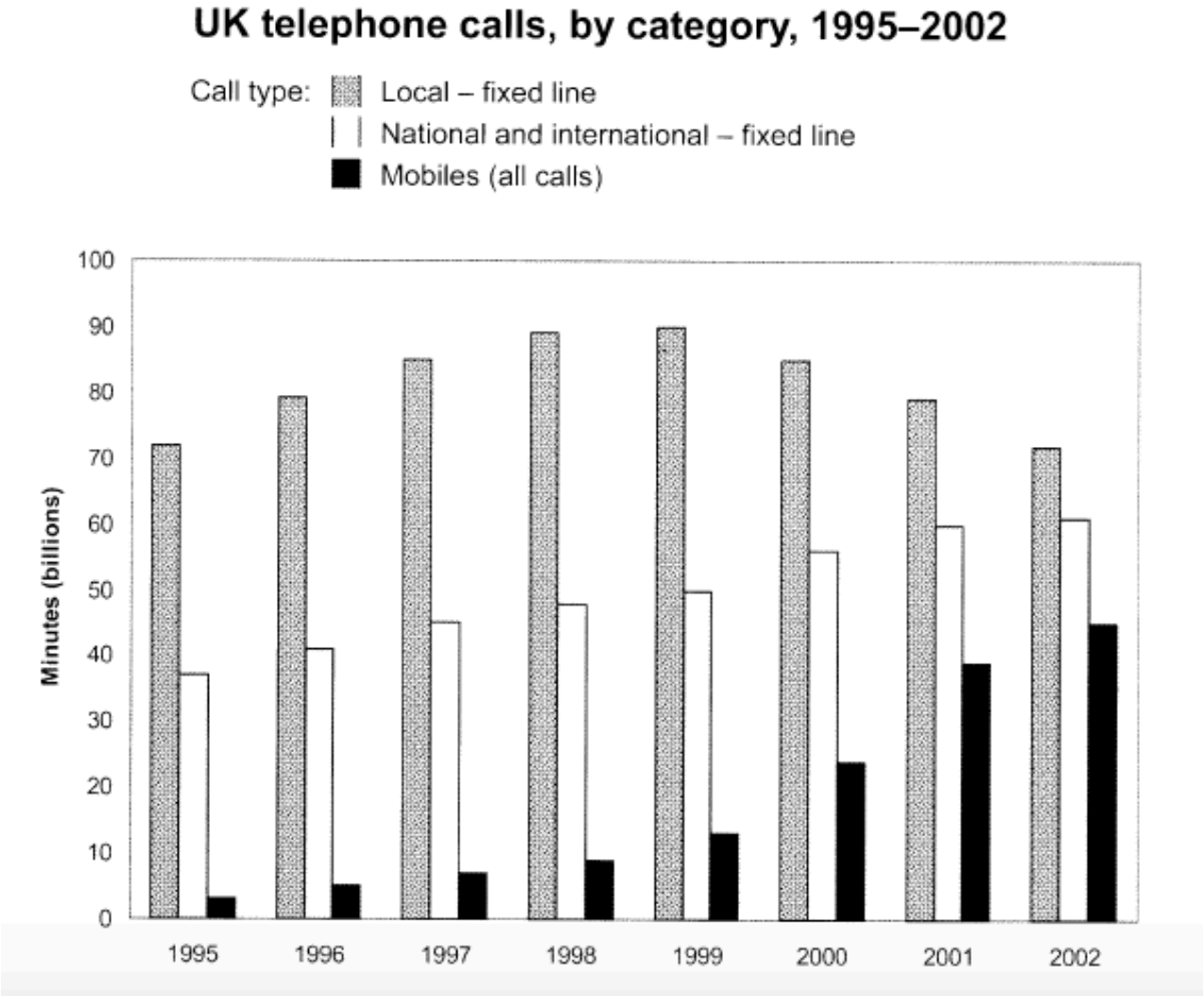


Number of minutes of telephone calls in the UK

The chart below shows the total number of minutes (in billions) of telephone calls in the UK, divided into three categories, from 1995–2002.

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

Write at least 150 words.



Reasons of study among students of different age groups

WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The charts below show the main reasons for study among students of different age groups and the amount of support they received from employers.

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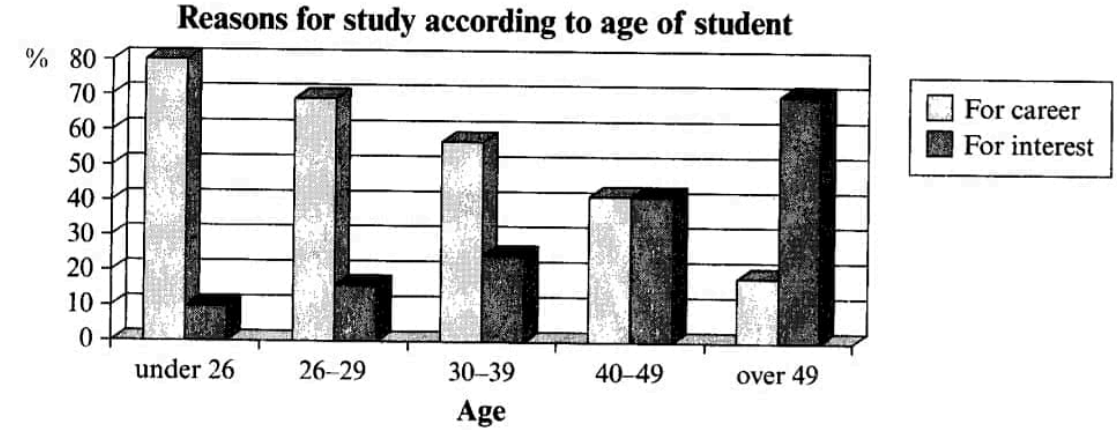
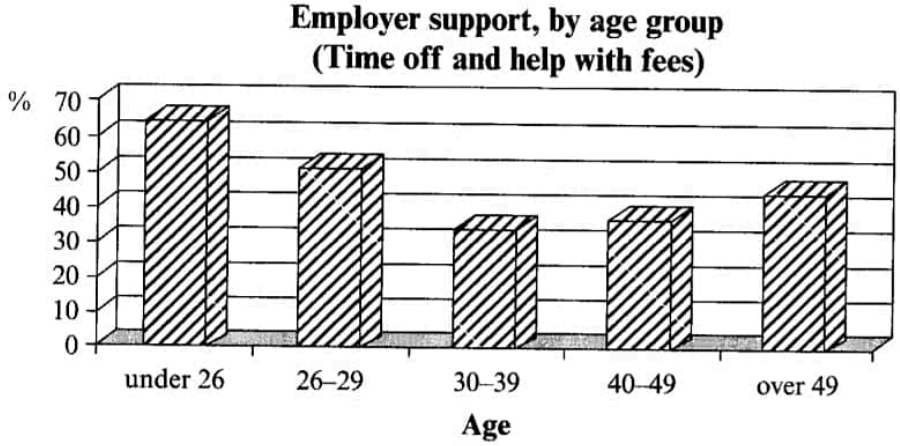




Post-school qualifications in Australia

WRITING TASK 1

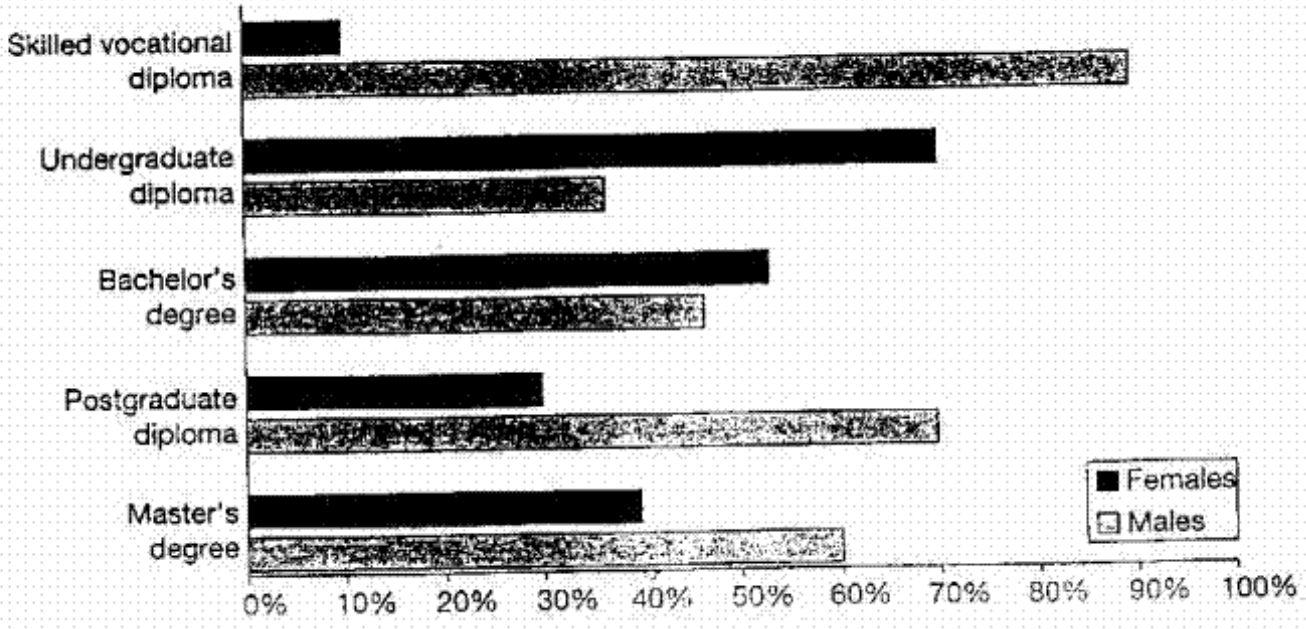
You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The chart below shows the different levels of post-school qualifications in Australia and the proportion of men and women who held them in 1999.

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

Write at least 150 words.

Post-school qualifications in Australia according to gender 1999



US marriage and divorce rate

The charts below give information about USA marriage and divorce rates between 1970 and 2000, and the marital status of adult Americans in two of the years.

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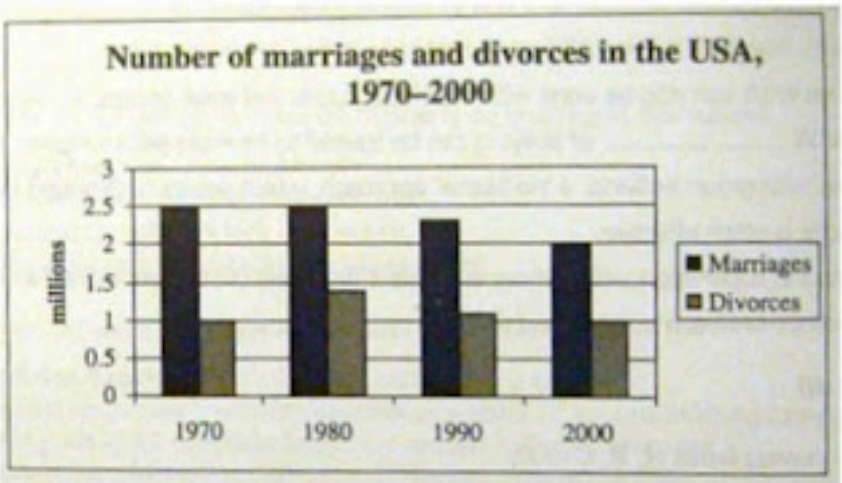

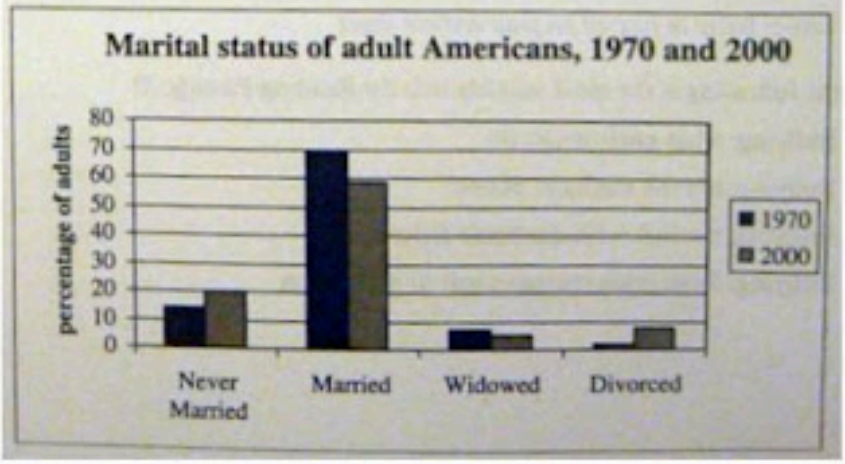

Average house prices in 5 different cities

WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The chart below shows information about changes in average house prices in five different cities between 1990 and 2002 compared with the average house prices in 1989.

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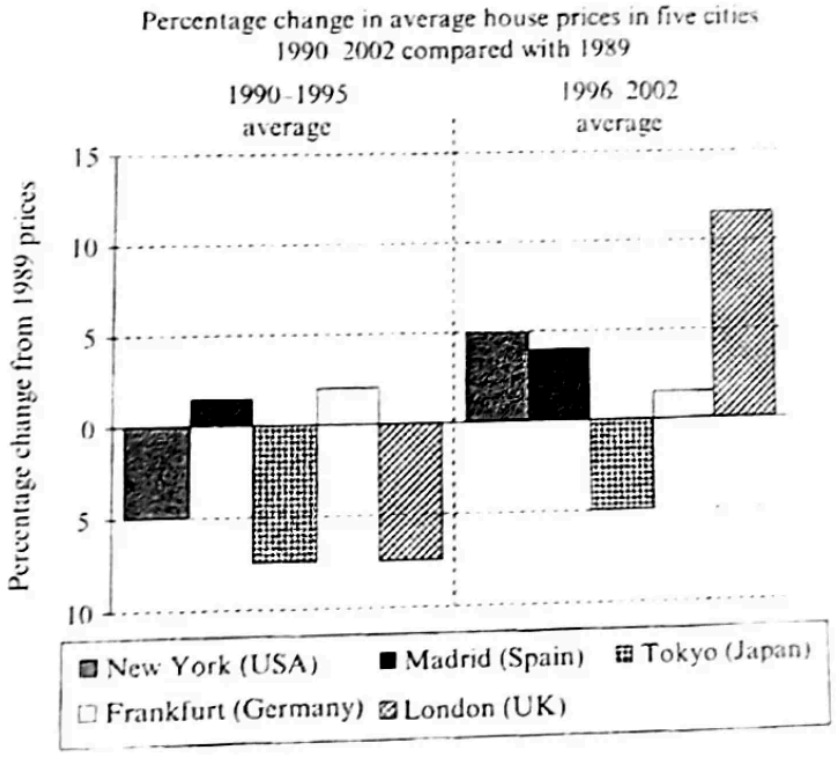

Households in owned and rented accommodation in England and Wales

WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The chart below shows the percentage of households in owned and rented accommodation in England and Wales between 1918 and 2011.

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

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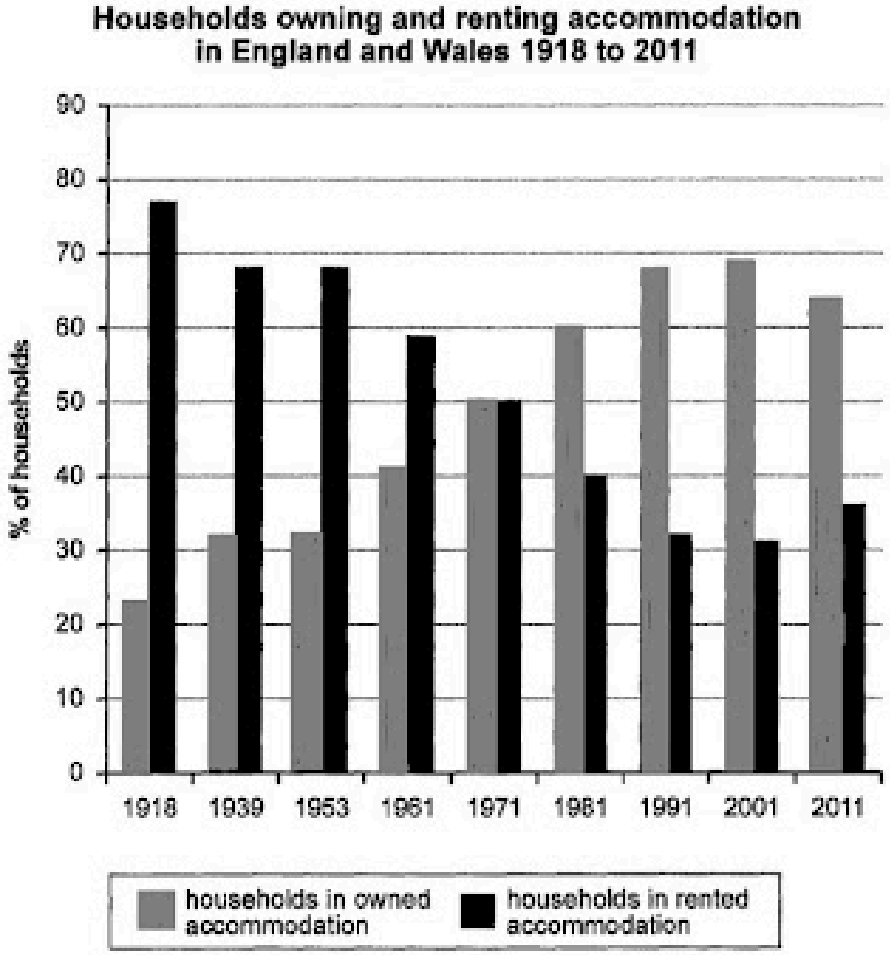

Top producers and consumer of electricity

The bar chart below shows the top ten countries for the production and consumption of electricity in 2014.

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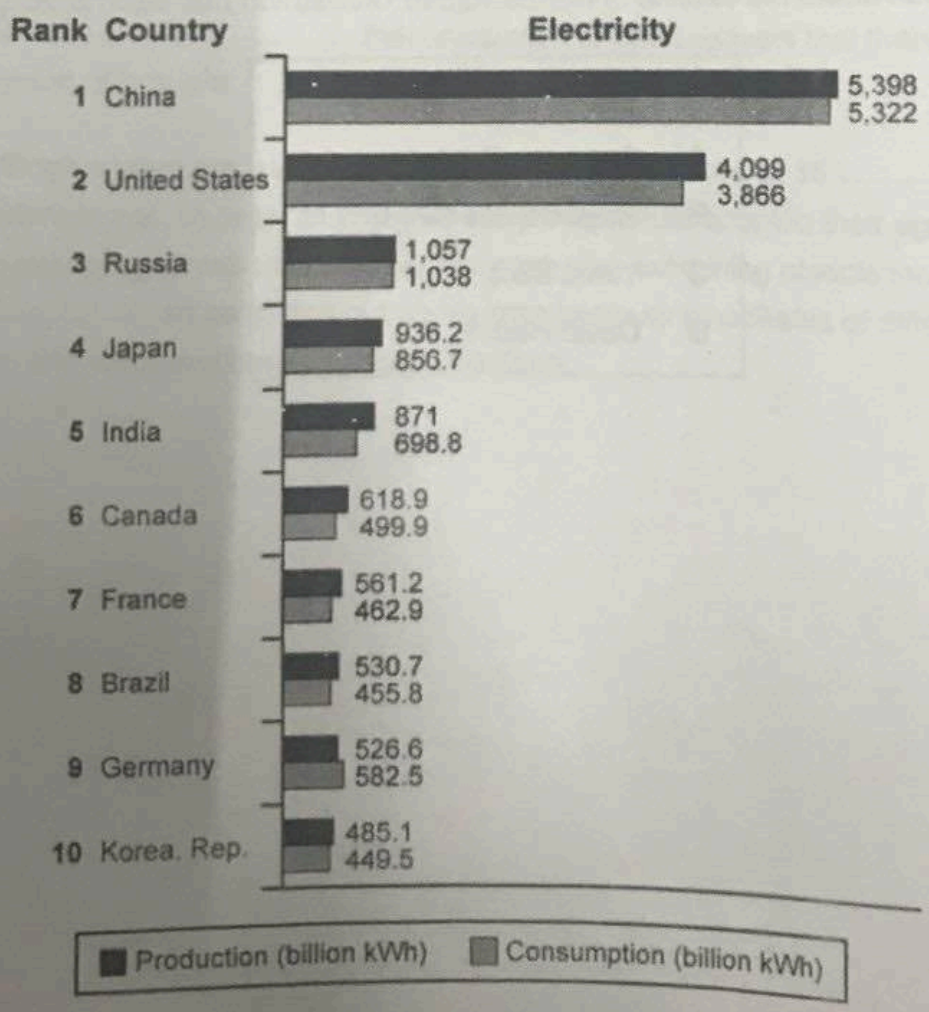

Changes in annual spending of a school in the UK

The three pie charts below show the changes in annual spending by a particular UK school in 1981, 1991 and 2001.

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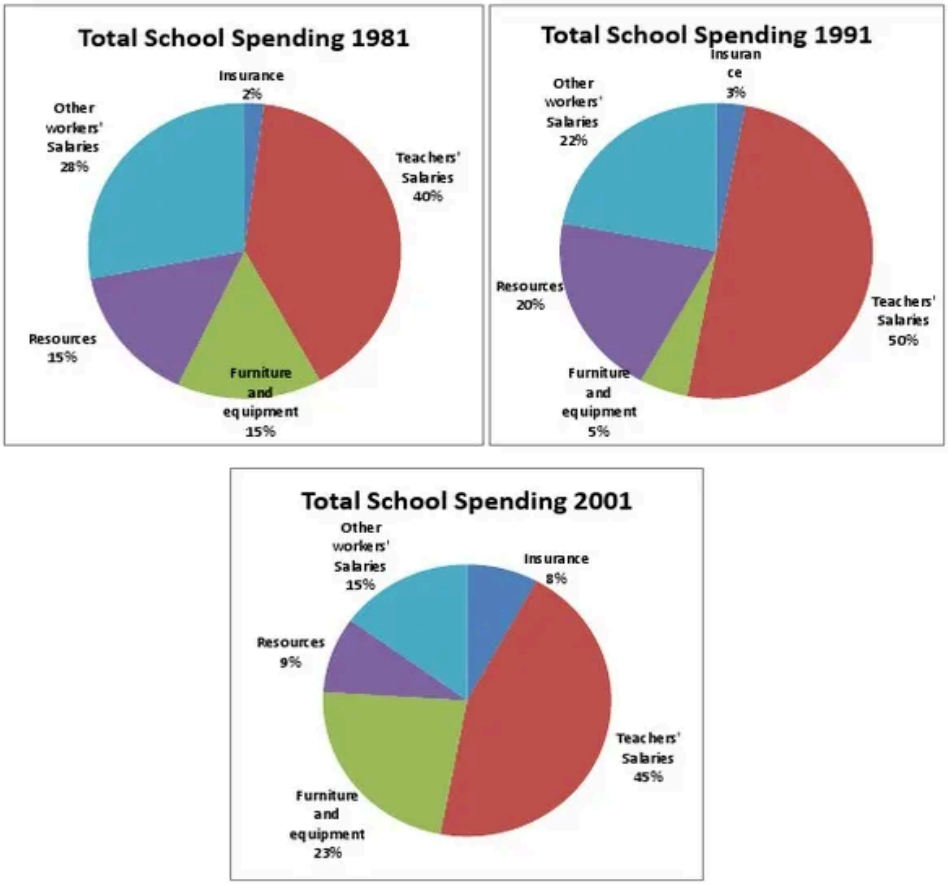

Energy used in an average Australian household

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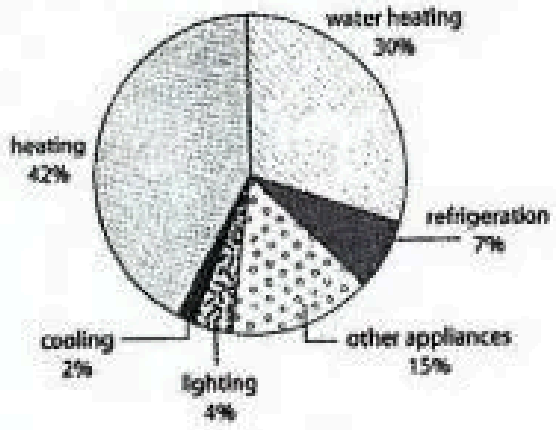
You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The first chart below shows how energy is used in an average Australian household. The second chart shows the greenhouse gas emissions which result from this energy use.

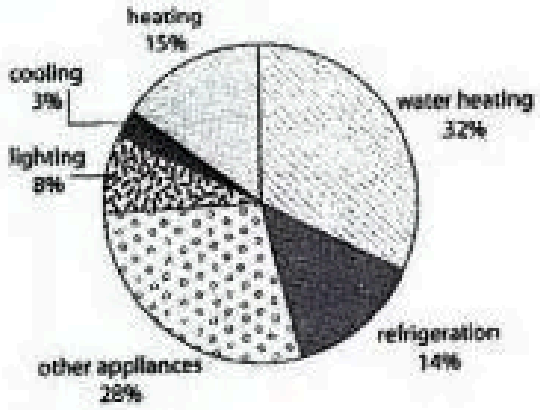
Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.

Australian household energy use

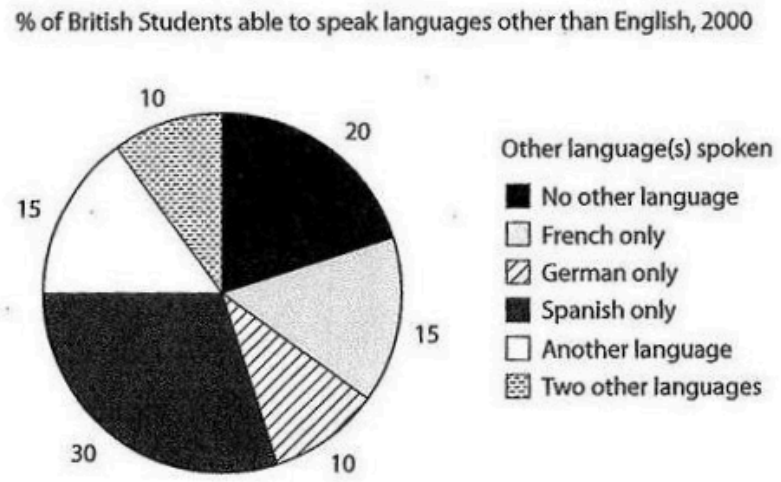


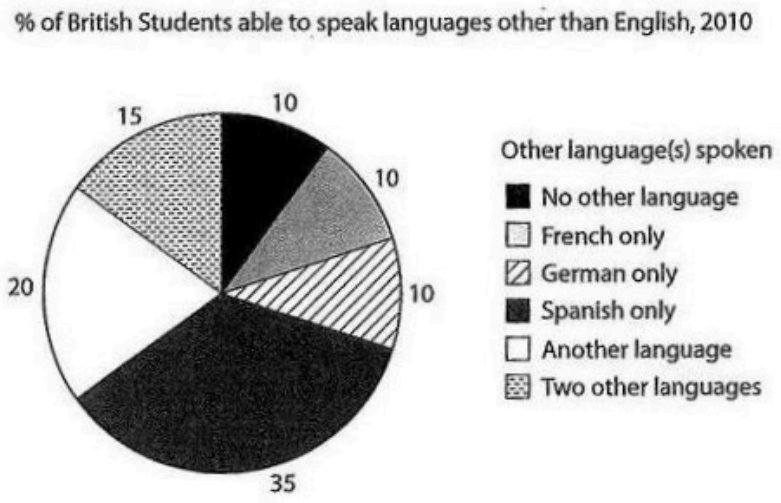
Australian household greenhouse gas emissions



British students at university in England who were able to speak other languages

The charts below show the proportions of British students at one university in England who were able to speak other languages in addition to English, in 2000 and 2010



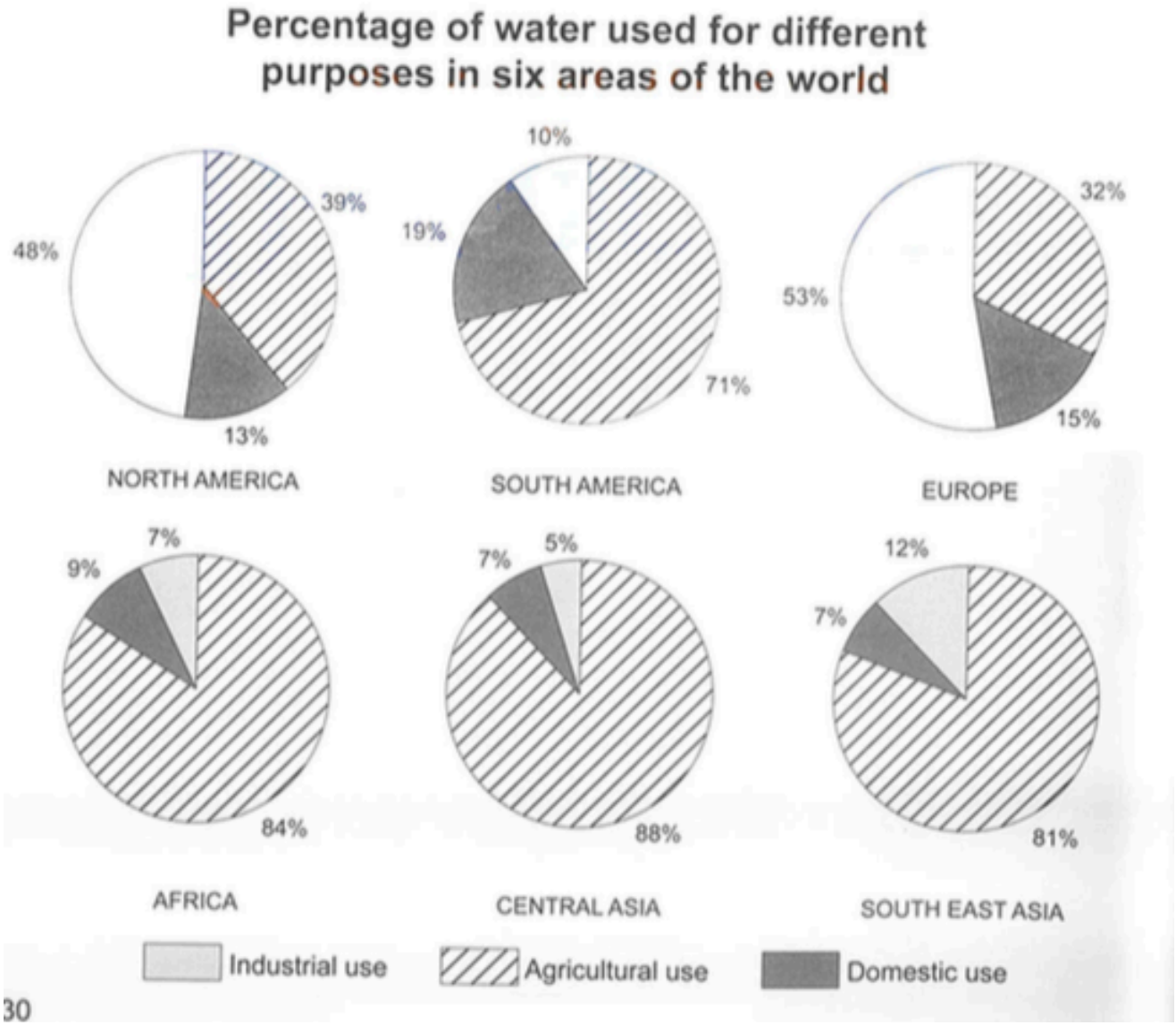


Water used for different purposes in 6 continents

The charts below show the percentage of water used for different purposes in six areas of the world.

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

Write at least 150 words.



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Average percentage of different nutrients in typical meals in the USA

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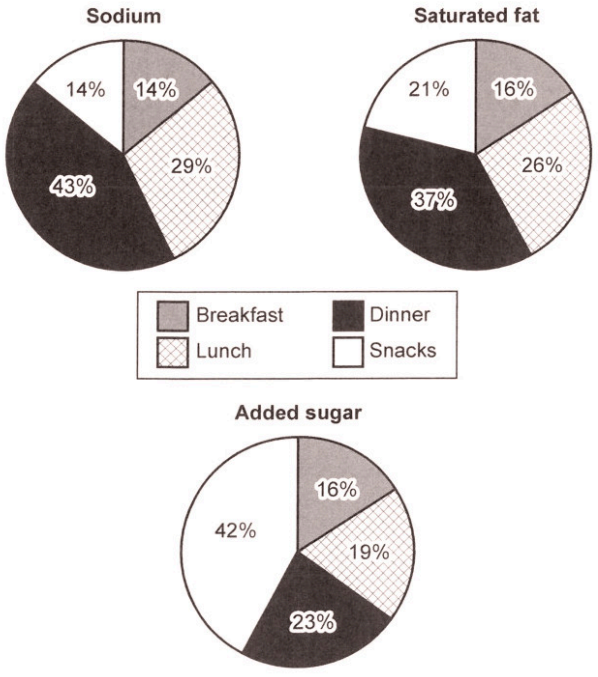
You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The charts below show the average percentages in typical meals of three types of nutrients, all of which may be unhealthy if eaten too much.

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

Write at least 150 words.

Average percentages of sodium, saturated fats and added sugars in typical meals consumed in the USA



Ages of the populations of Yemen & Italy

WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The charts below give information on the ages of the populations of Yemen and Italy in 2000 and projections for 2050.

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

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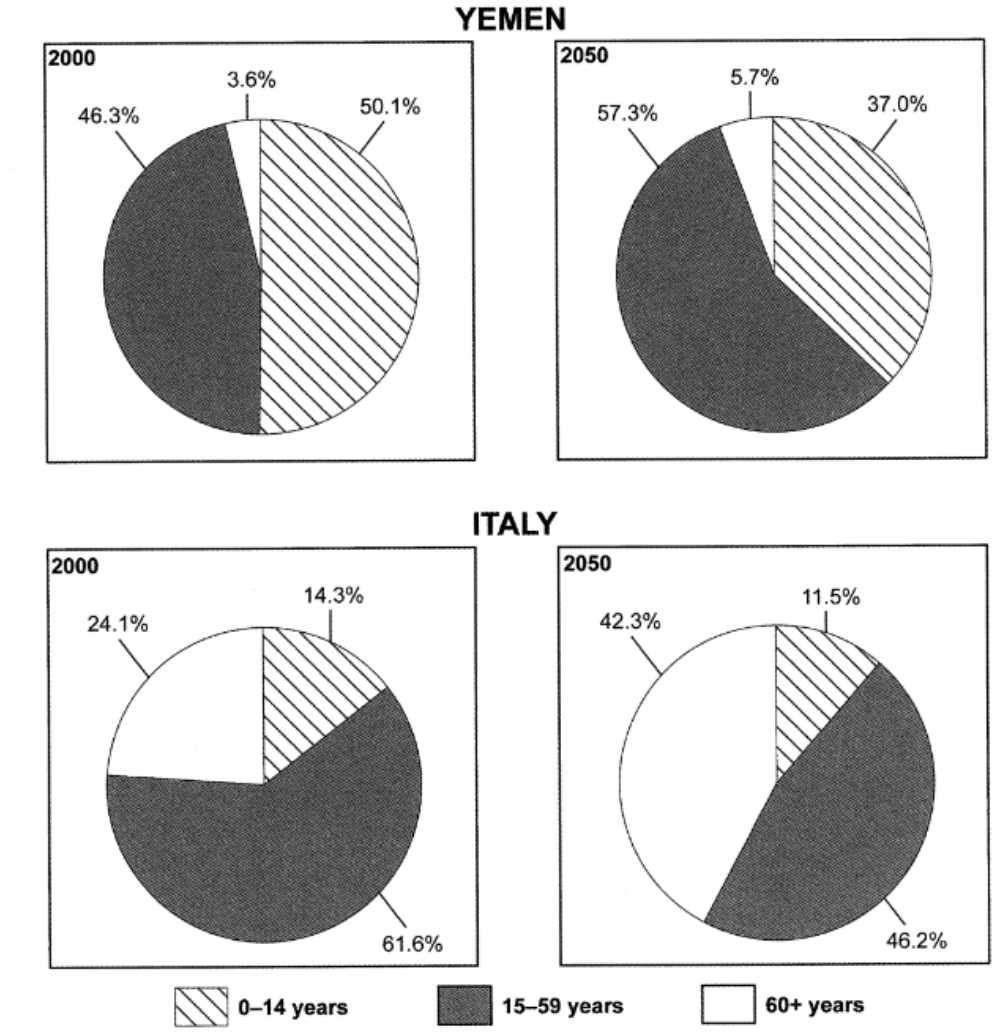

Tables

Changes in modes of travel in England

WRITING TASK I

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The table below gives information about changes in modes of travel in England between 1985 and 2000.

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

Write at least 150 words.

Average distance in miles travelled per person per year, by mode of

	1985	2000
Walking	255	237
Bicycle	51	41
Cur	3,199	4,806
Local bus	429	274
Long distunce bus	54	124
Train	289	366
Taxi	13	42
Other	450	585
All modes	4,740	6,475

Categories of families living in poverty in Australia

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WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The table below shows the proportion of different categories of families living in poverty in Australia in 1999.

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

Write at least 150 words.

Family type	Proportion of people from each household type living in poverty
single aged person	6% (54,000)
aged couple	4% (48,000)
single, no children	19% (359,000)
couple, no children	7% (211,000)
sole parent	21% (232,000)
couple with children	12% (933,000)
all households	**11% (1,837,000)**

Underground railway systems in 6 cities

WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The table below gives information about the underground railway systems in six cities.

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

Write at least 150 words.

Underground Railway Systems

City	Date opened	Kilometres of route	Passengers per year (in millions)
London	1863	394	775
Paris	1900	199	1191
Tokyo	1927	155	1927
Washington DC	1976	126	144
Kyoto	1981	11	45
Los Angeles	2001	28	50

Sales of Fair-trade-labelled coffee and bananas

WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The tables below give information about sales of Fairtrade*-labelled coffee and bananas in 1999 and 2004 in five European countries.

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

Write at least 150 words.

Sales of Fairtrade-labelled coffee and bananas (1999 & 2004)

Coffee	1999 (millions of euros)	2004 (millions of euros)
UK	1.5	20
Switzerland	3	6
Denmark	1.8	2
Belgium	1	1.7
Sweden	0.8	1

Bananas	1999 (millions of euros)	2004 (millions of euros)
Switzerland	15	47
UK	1	5.5
Belgium	0.6	4
Sweden	1.8	1
Denmark	2	0.9

* Fairtrade: a category of products for which farmers from developing countries have been paid an officially agreed fair price.

Consumer durables owned in Britain

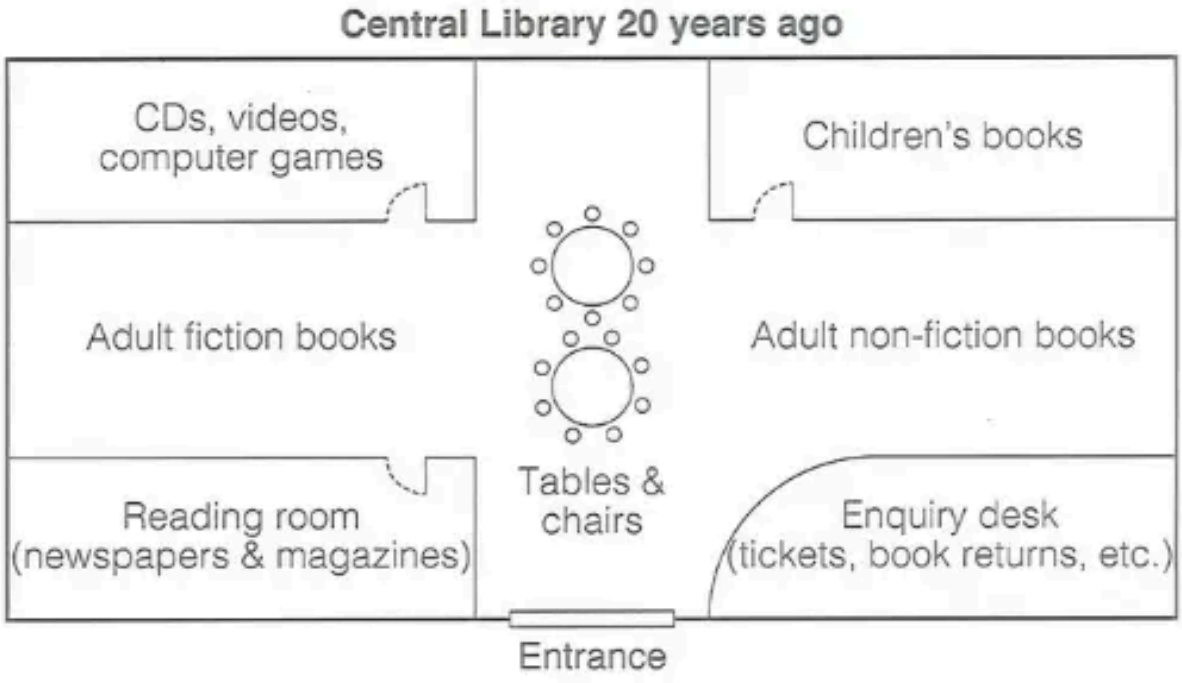
Consumer durables owned in Britain

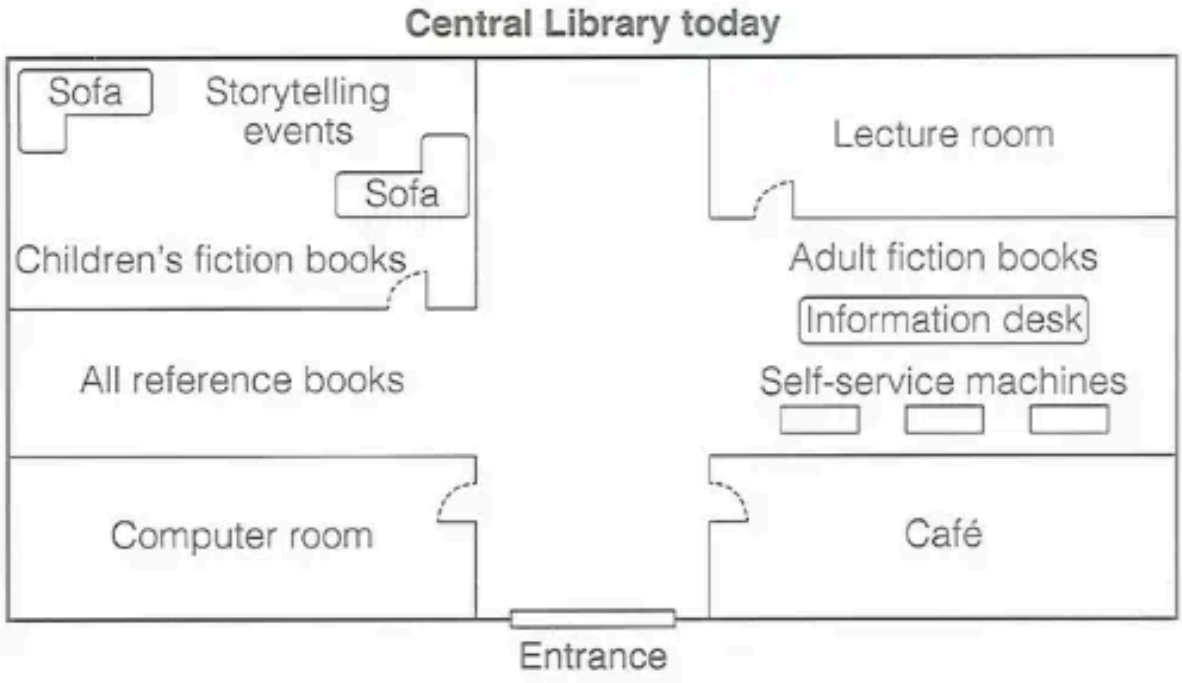
The table below shows the consumer durables (telephone, refrigerator, etc.) owned in Britain from 1972 to 1983. Write a report for a university lecturer describing the information shown below.

Consumer durables	1972	1974	1976	1978	1979	1981	1982	1983
Percentage of households with:								
central heating	37	43	48	52	55	59	60	64
television	93	95	96	96	97	97	97	98
video								18
vacuum cleaner	87	89	92	92	93	94	95	
refrigerator	73	81	88	91	92	93	93	94
washing machine	66	68	71	75	74	78	79	80
dishwasher				3	3	4	4	5
telephone	42	50	54	60	67	75	76	77

Maps

Central Library today and 20 years ago- Cambridge 18 Test 3





Norbiton Now & Future Planned Development- Cambridge 17 Test 1

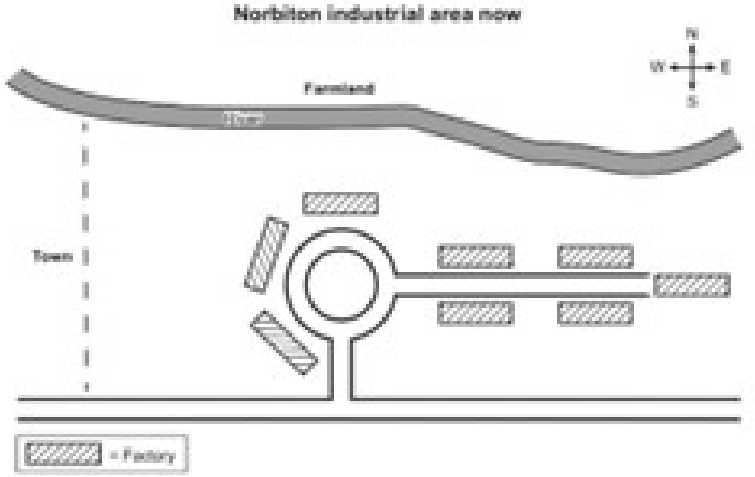
WRITING TASK 1

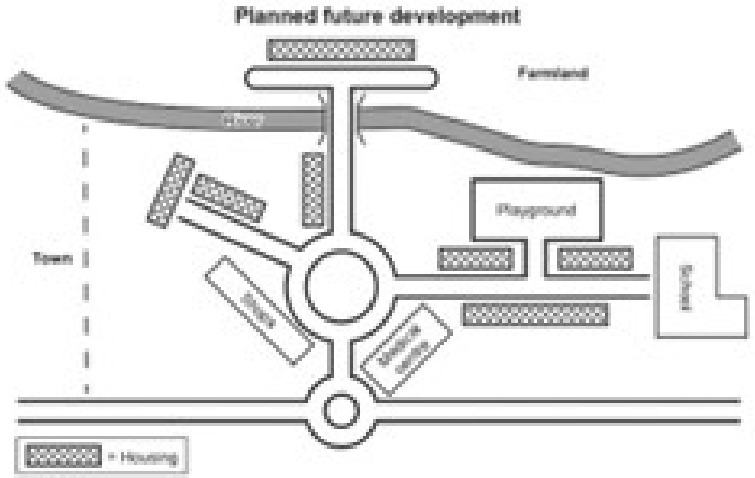
You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The maps below show an industrial area in the town of Norbiton, and planned future development of the site.

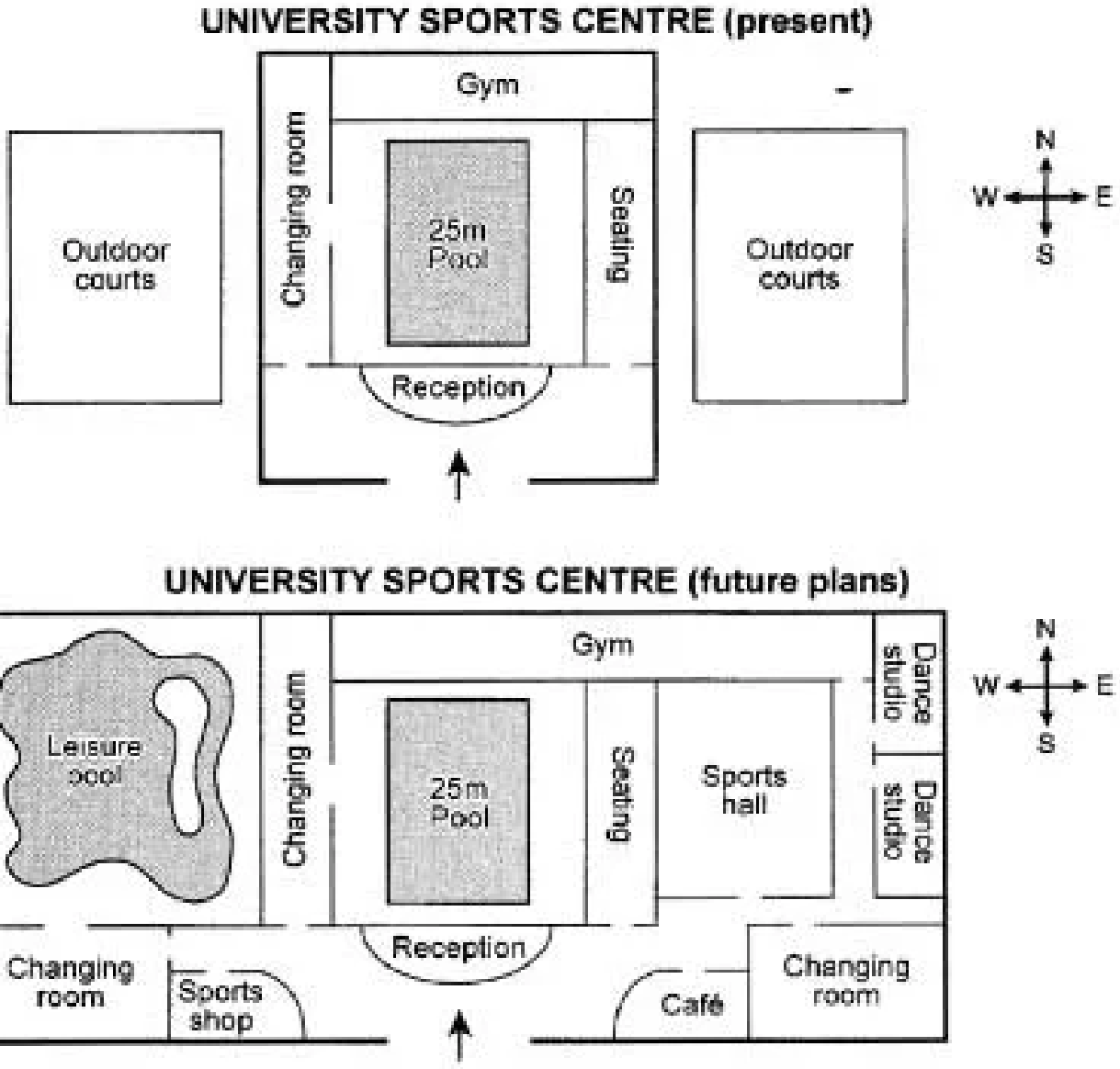
Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.

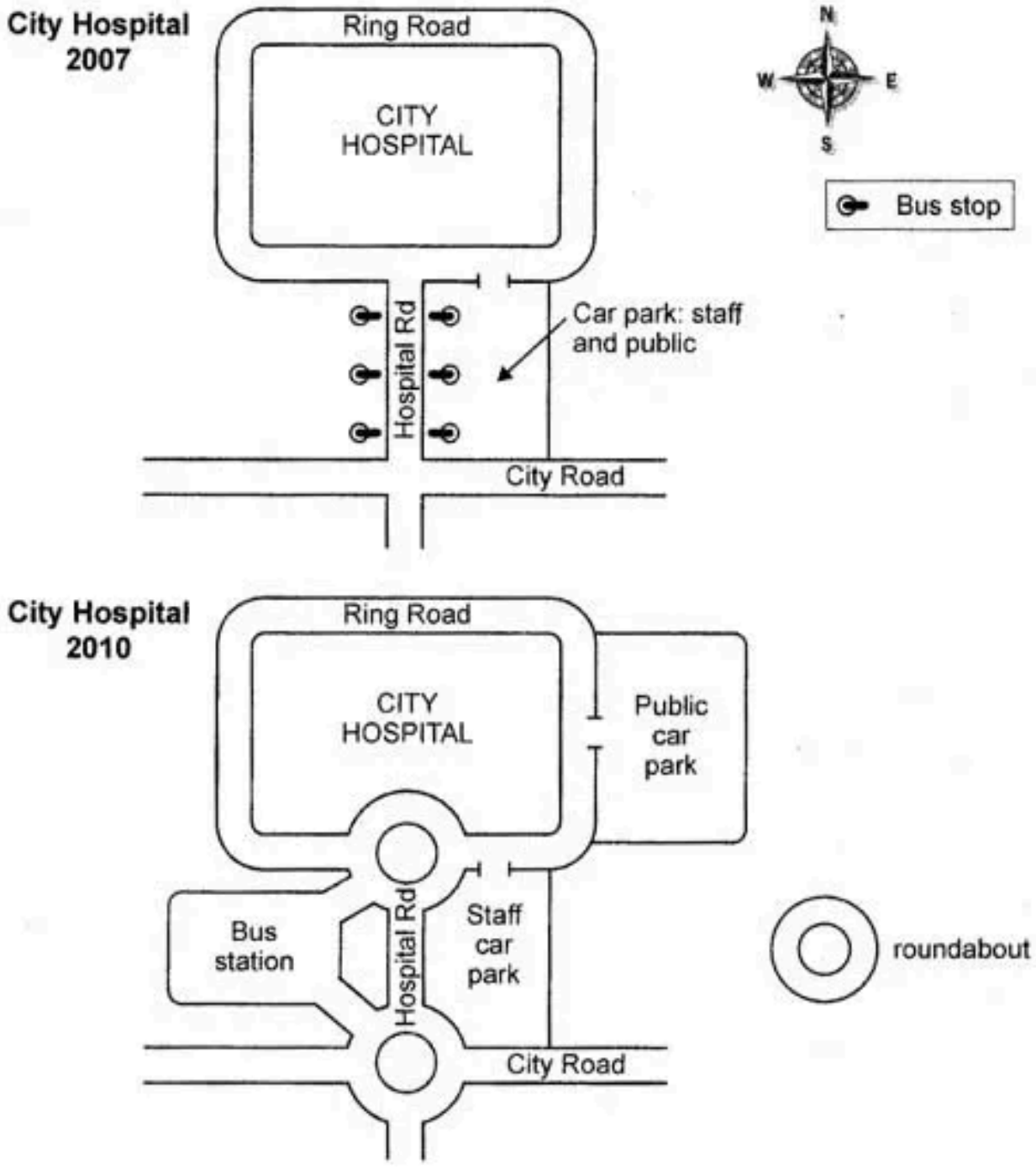




Layout of a university's sport's centre



Road access to a city hospital



Town of Garlsdon

IELTS Writing - Task 1

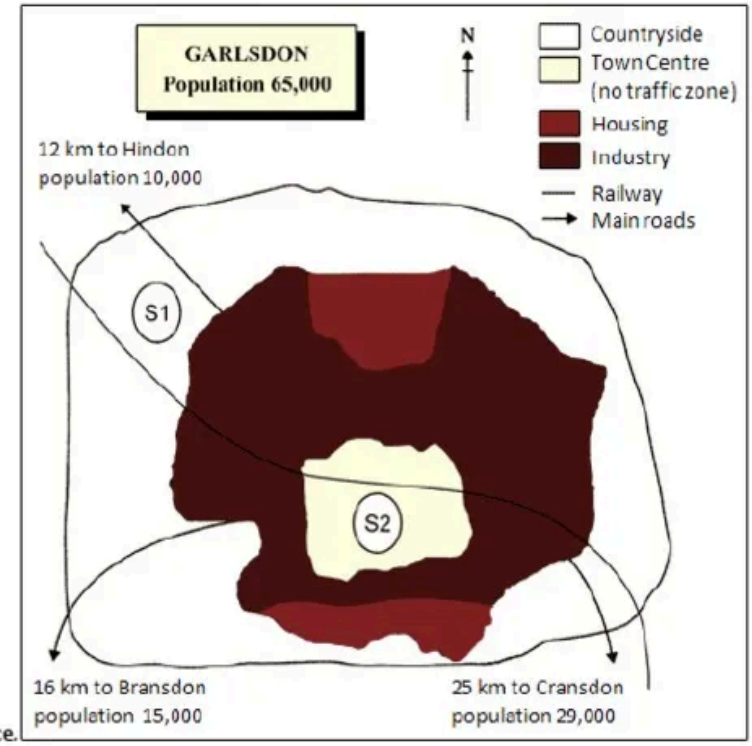
You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The map below is of the town of Garlsdon. A new supermarket (S) is planned for the town. The map shows two possible sites for the supermarket.

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

You should write at least 150 words.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.



IELTS Writing - Task 2

You should spend about 40 minutes on this task.

Island before and after construction of tourist facilities

WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The two maps below show an island, before and after the construction of some tourist facilities.

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

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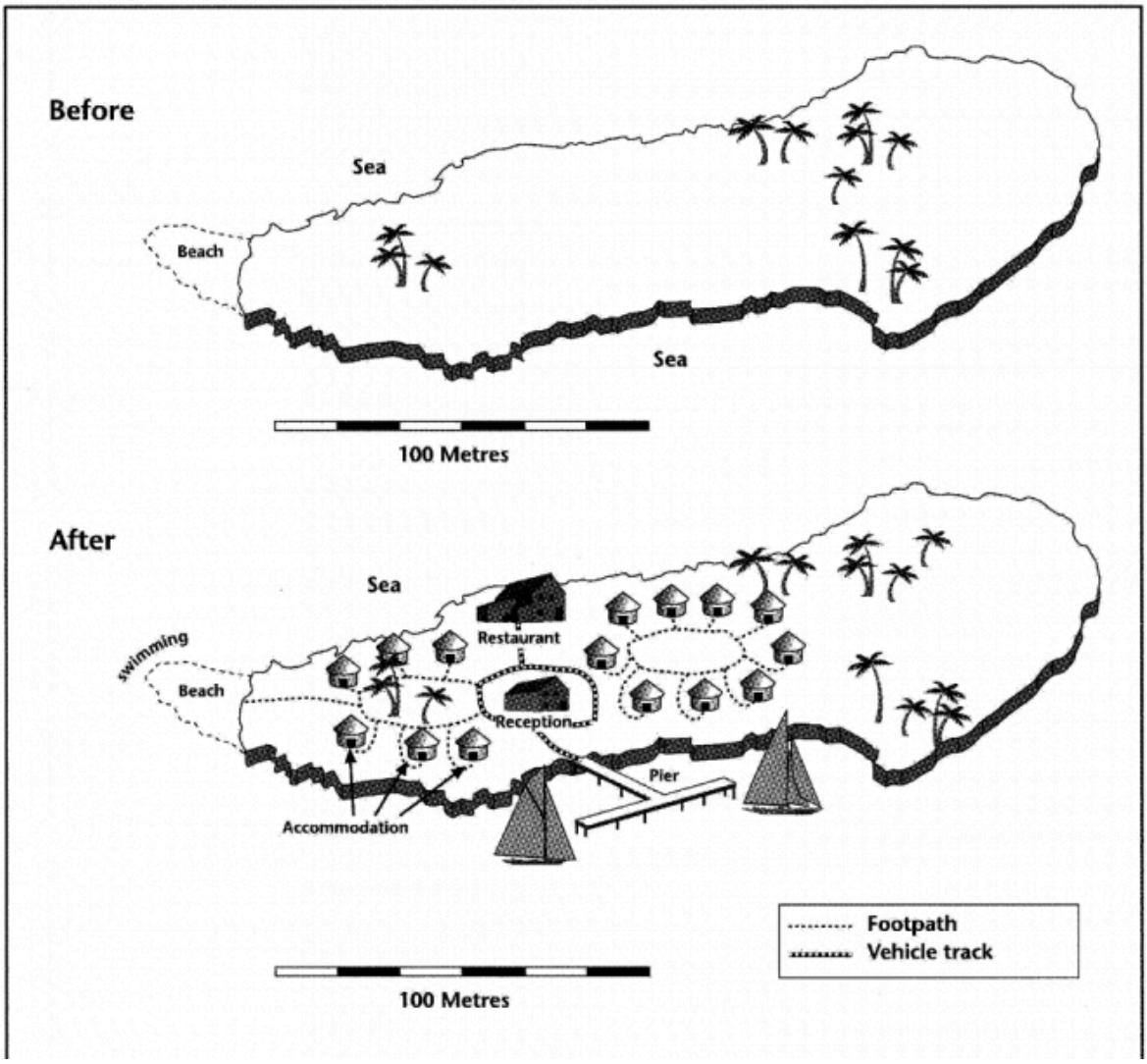


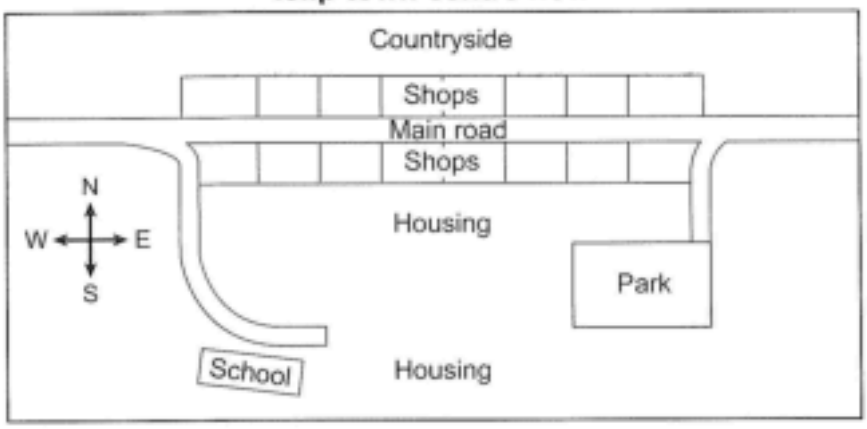
Islip Town

The maps below show the centre of a small town called Islip as it is now, and plans for its development.

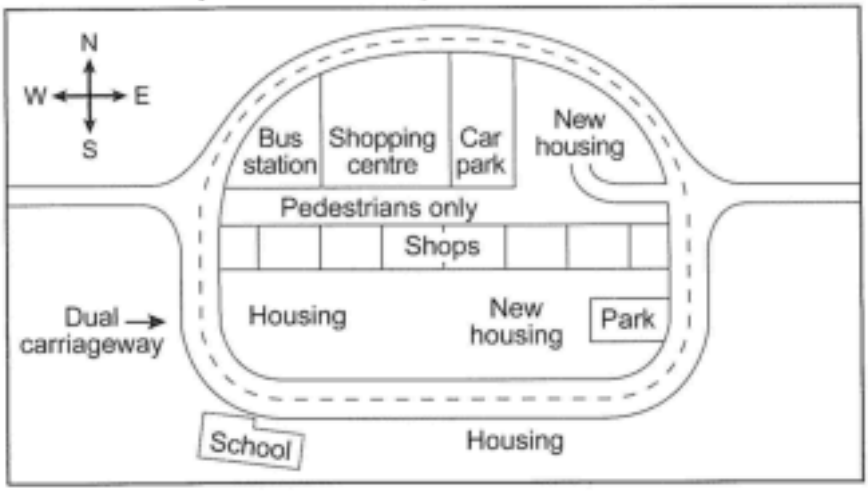
Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.

Islip town centre now



Islip town centre: planned development



Grange Park past and present

The plans below show a public park when it first opened in 1920 and the same park today.

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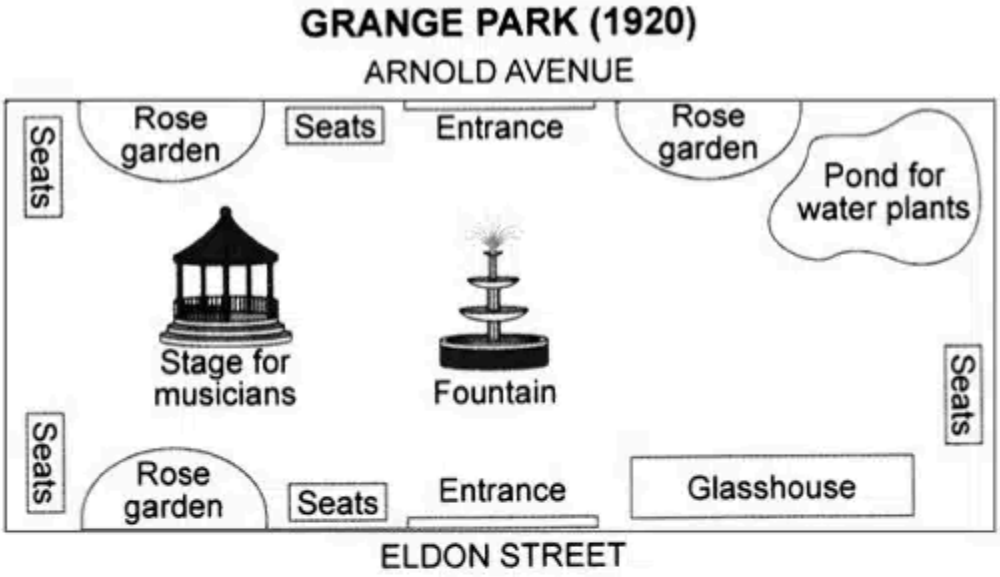
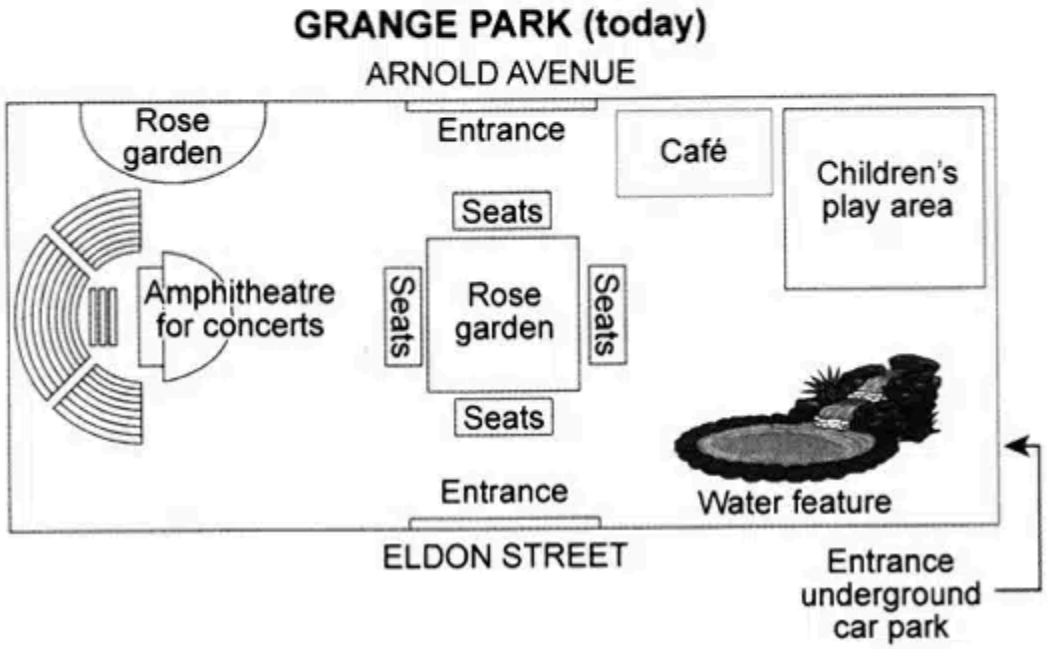
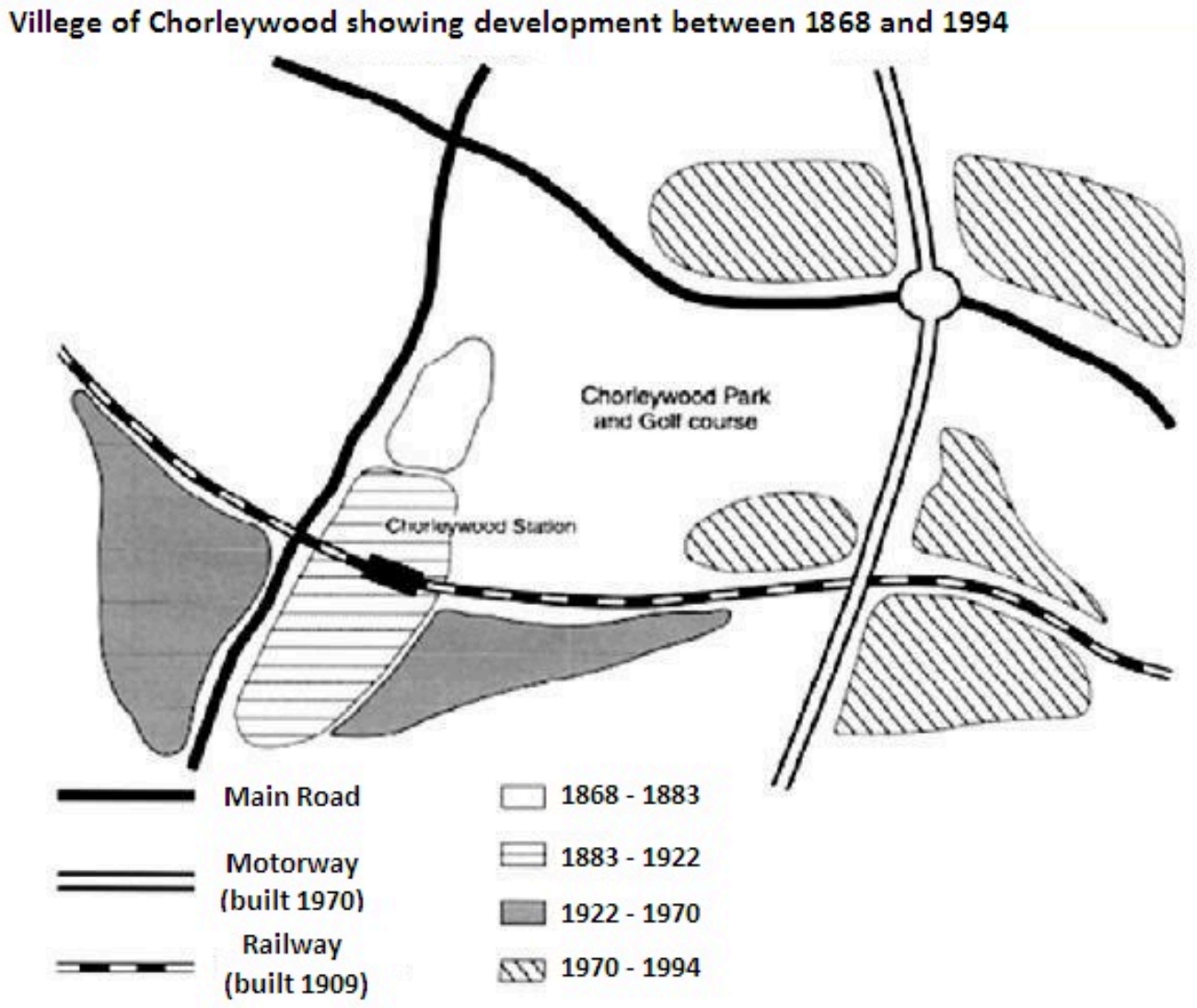




Development of Chorleywood



Processes

Cement and concrete production

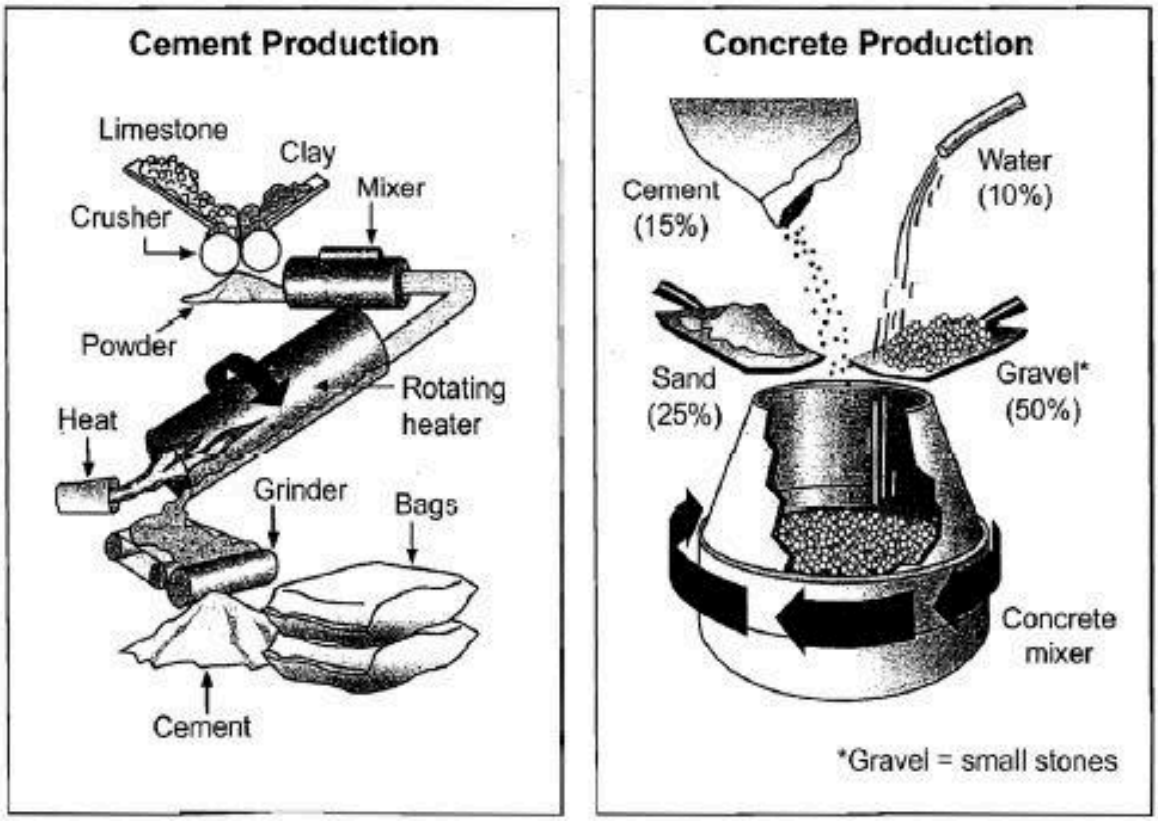
WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

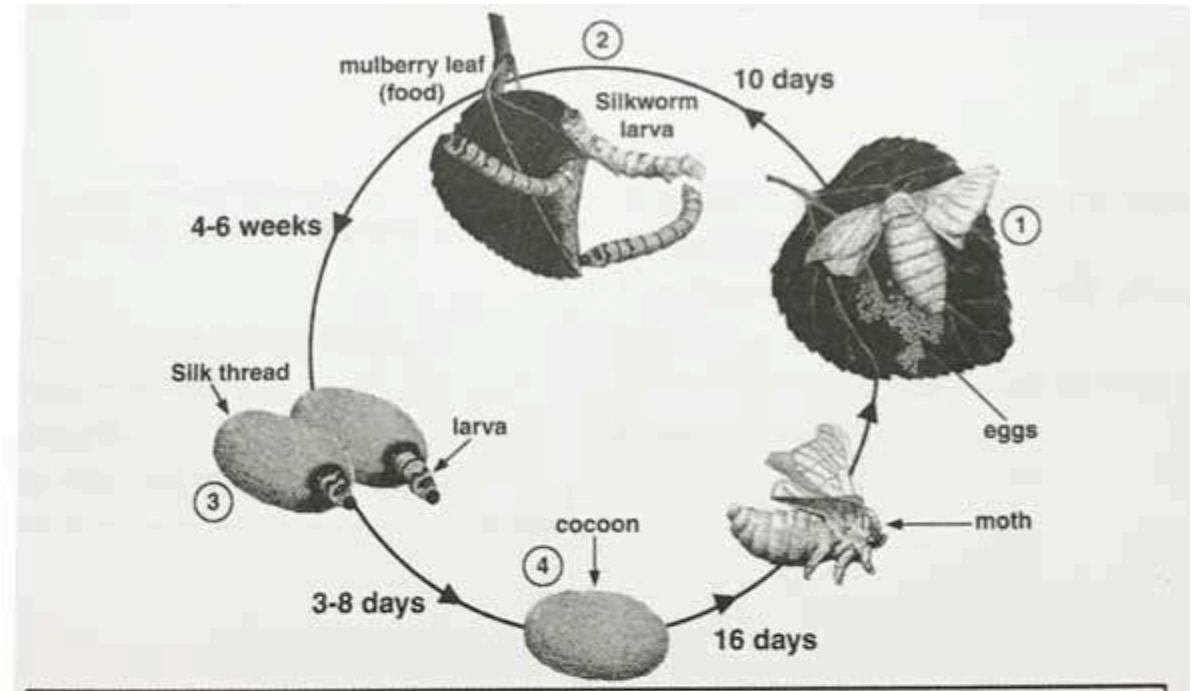
The diagrams below show the stages and equipment used in the cement-making process, and how cement is used to produce concrete for building purposes.

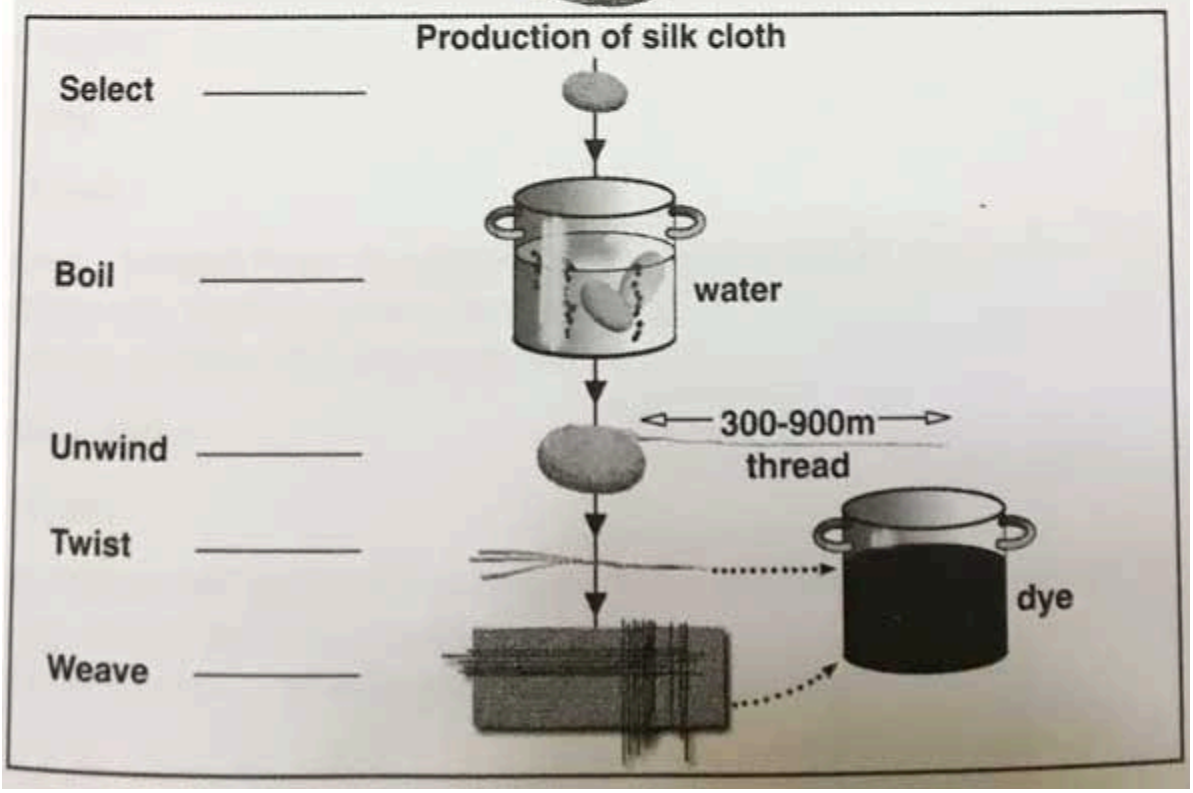
Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.



Life cycle of the silkworm





Geothermal power plant

The diagram below shows how geothermal energy is used to produce electricity.

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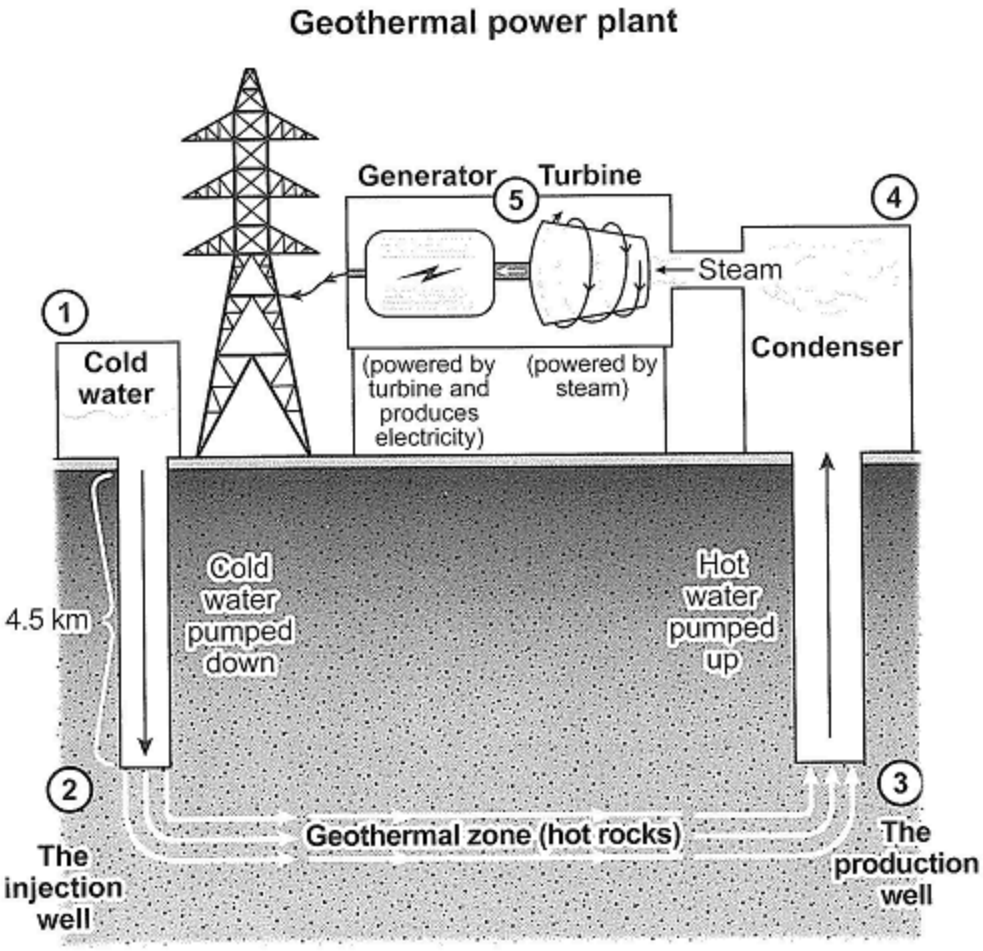

Hydroelectric Power station

WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The diagram below shows how electricity is generated in a hydroelectric power station.

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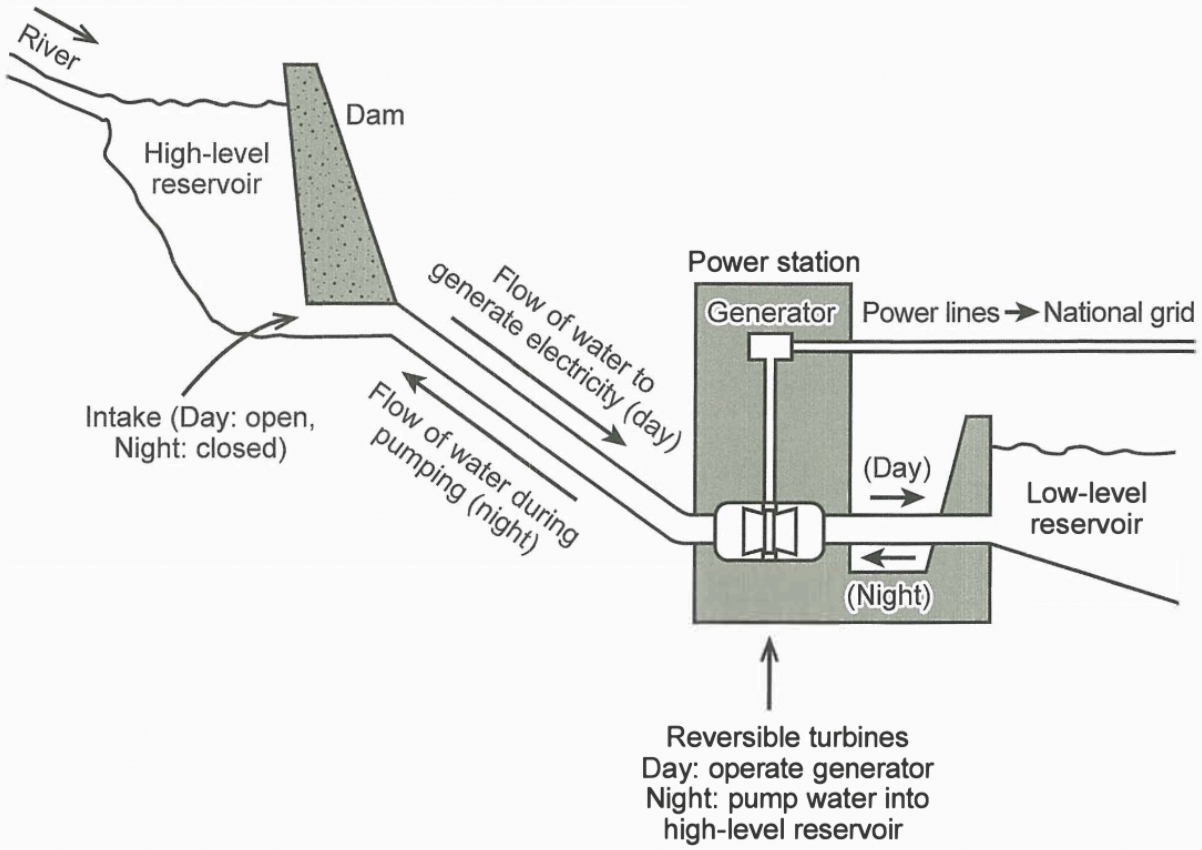
Write at least 150 words.

Hydroelectric power station



Data collection for meteor forecasts

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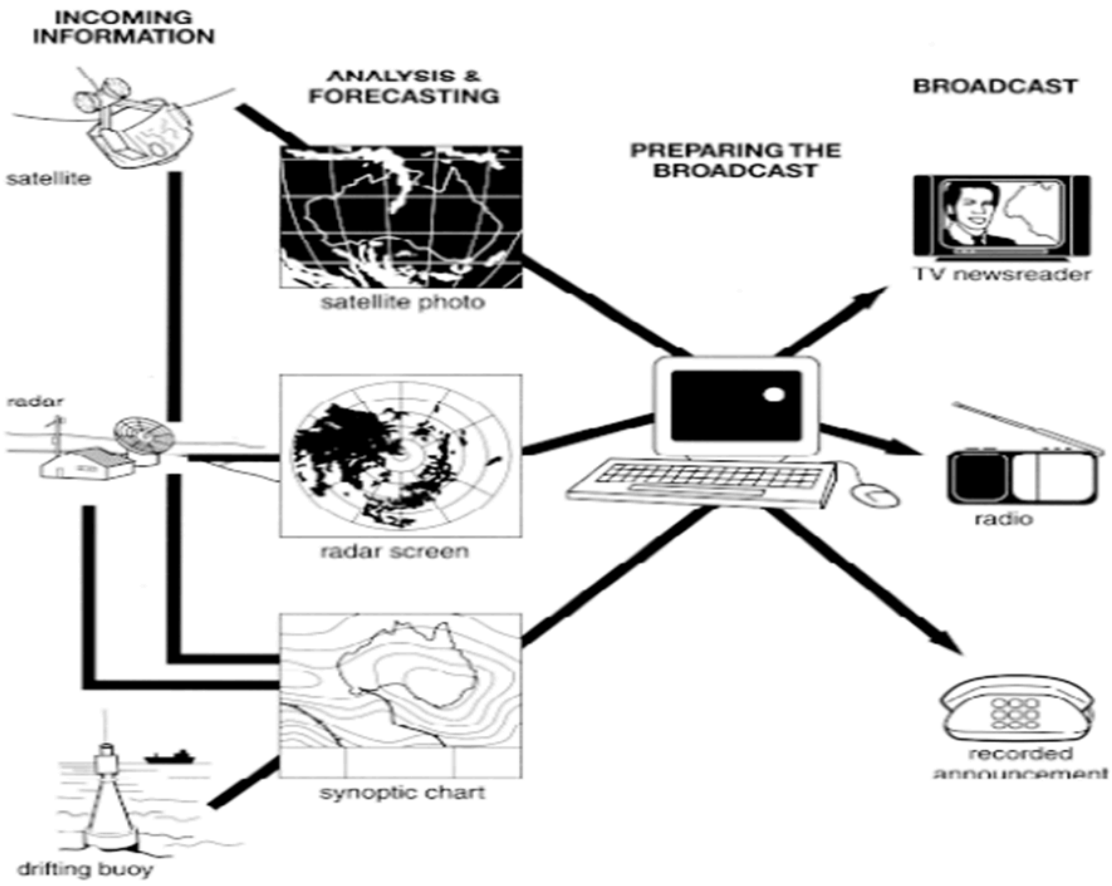


Mixed/ 2+ Infographics

Table & Pie chart Police Budget & distribution

WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The table and charts below give information on the police budget for 2017 and 2018 in one area of Britain. The table shows where the money came from and the charts show how it was distributed.

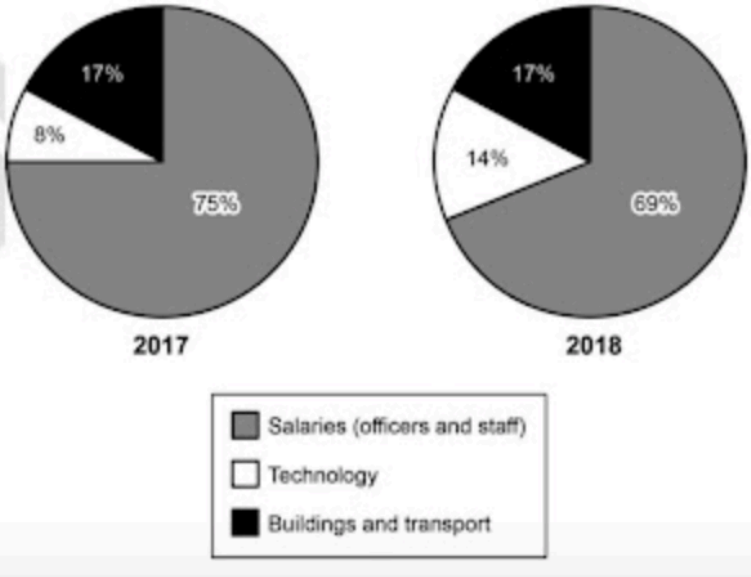
Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.

Police Budget 2017–2018 (in £m)

Sources	2017	2018
National Government	175.5m	177.8m
Local Taxes	91.2m	102.3m
Other sources (eg grants)	38m	38.5m
Total	304.7m	318.6m

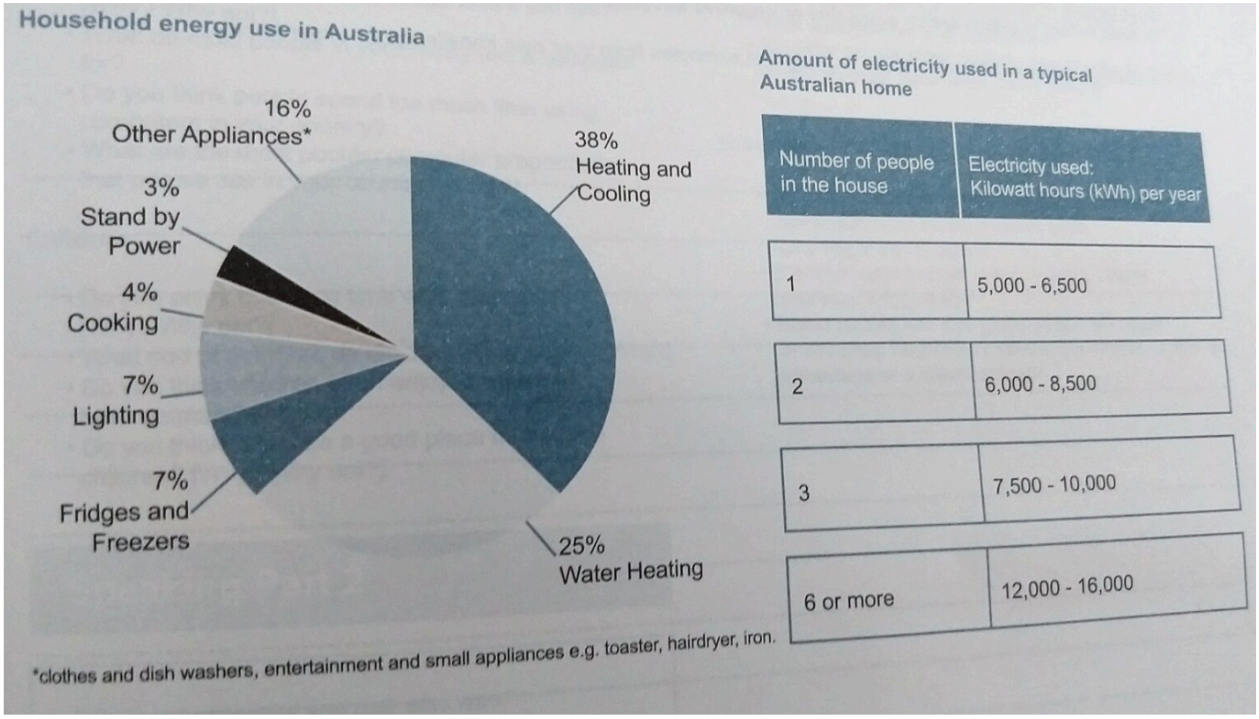
How the money was spent



Energy in an Australian household

Energy in Australian Household

The pie chart below shows where energy is used in a typical Australian household, and the table shows the amount of electricity used according to the number of occupants. Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant. [source: IELTS Essential Guide British Council]



Amount of electricity used in a typical Australian home

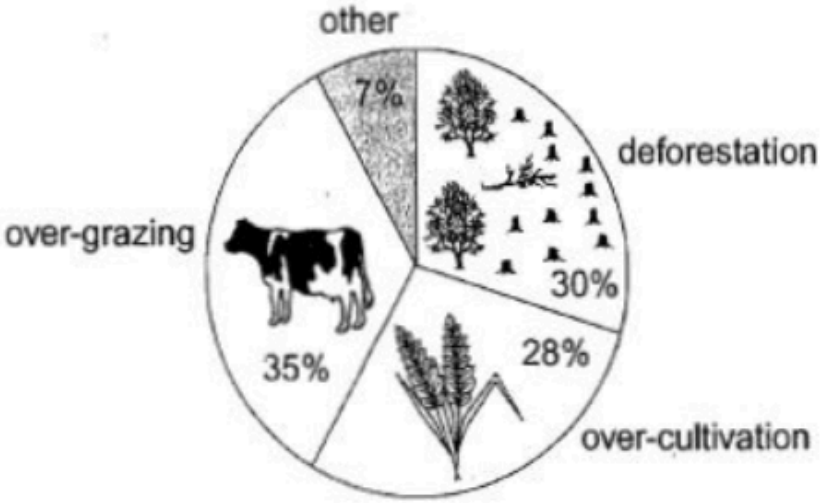
Number of people in the house	Electricity used: Kilowatt hours (kWh) per year
1	5,000 - 6,500
2	6,000 - 8,500
3	7,500 - 10,000
6 or more	12,000 - 16,000

Causes of worldwide land degradation

Main reasons why agricultural land becomes less productive

The pie chart below shows the main reasons why agricultural land becomes less productive. The table shows how these causes affected three regions of the world during the 1990s. Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Causes of worldwide land degradation



Causes of land degradation by region

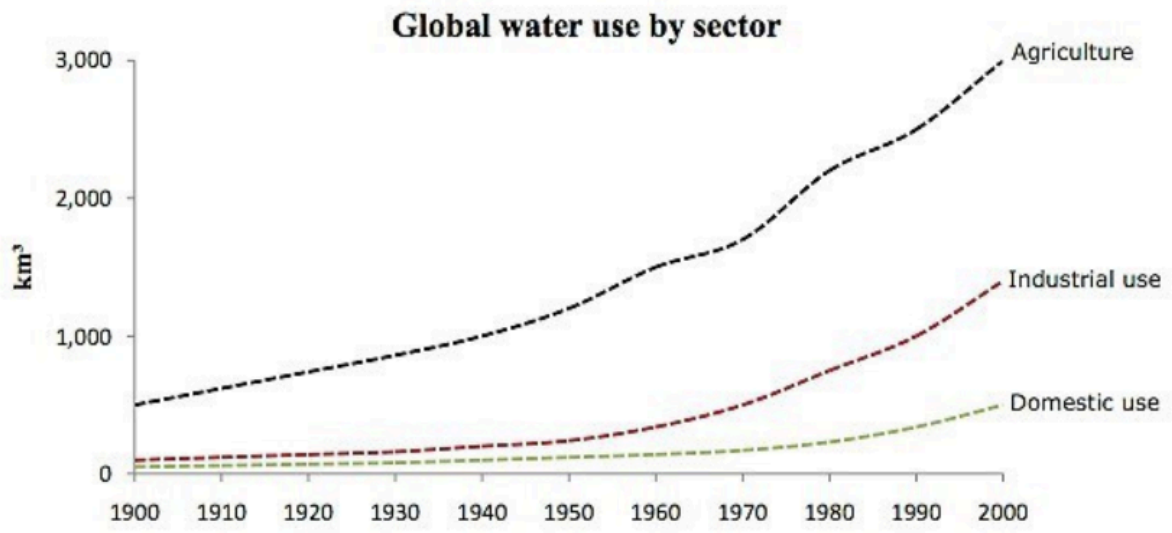
Region	% land degraded by...			
	deforestation	over-cultivation	over-grazing	Total land degraded
North America	0.2	3.3	1.5	5%
Europe	9.8	7.7	5.5	23%
Oceania*	1.7	0	11.3	13%

* A large group of islands in the South Pacific including Australia and New Zealand

Global water use by sector

Water use worldwide and water consumption

The graph and table below give information about water use worldwide and water consumption in two different countries. Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.



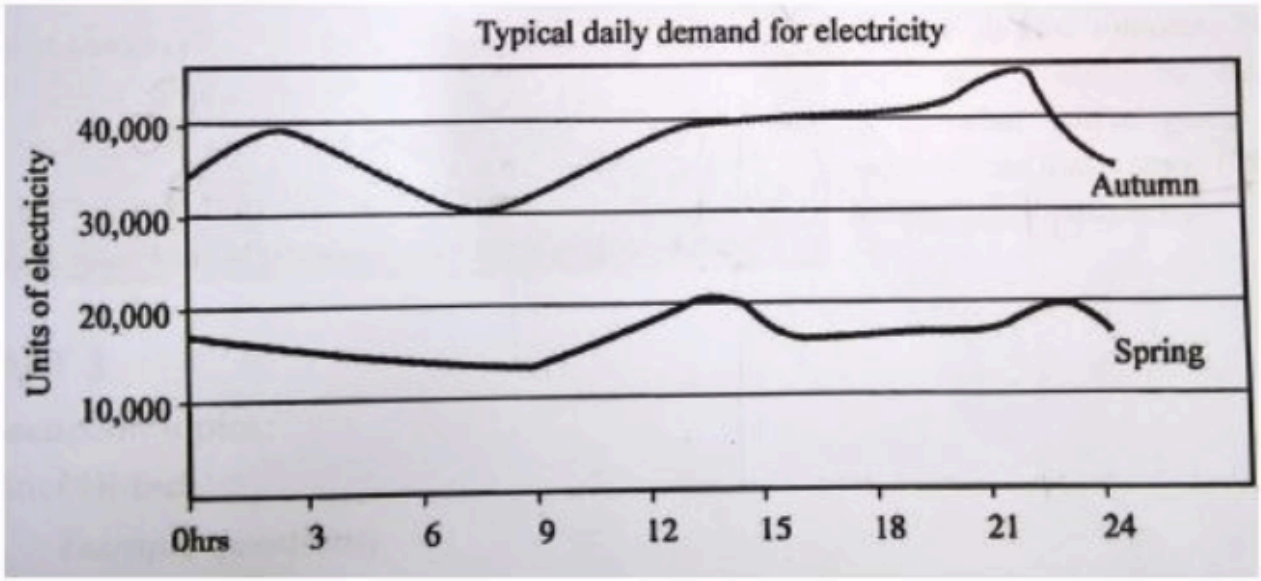
Water consumption in Brazil and Congo in 2000

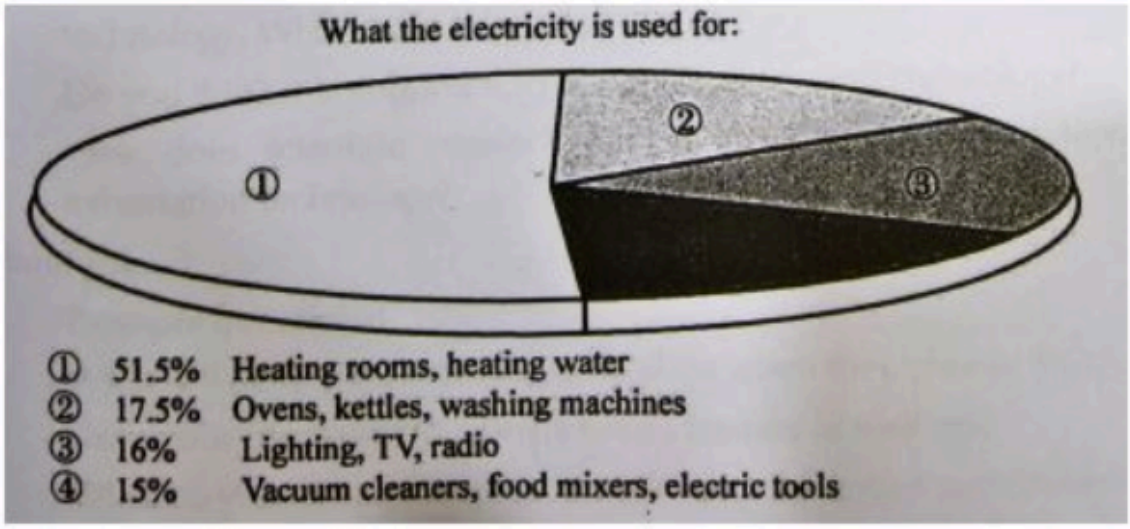
Country	Population	Irrigated land	Water consumption per person
Brazil	176 million	26,500 km²	359 m³
Democratic Republic of Congo	5.2 million	100 km²	8 m³

English electricity demand in winter and summer

Demand for electricity in England during typical days in winter and summer

The graph below shows the demand for electricity in England during typical days in winter and summer. The pie chart shows how electricity is used in an average English home. Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.





Visitors to Ashdown Museum

Visitors to Ashdown Museum

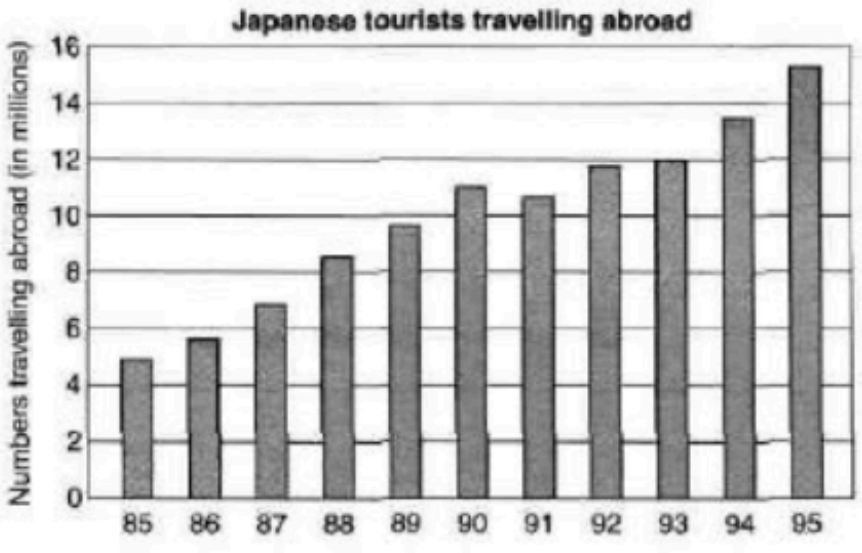
The table below shows the numbers of visitors to Ashdown Museum during the year before and the year after it was refurbished. The charts show the result of surveys asking visitors how satisfied they were with their visit, during the same two periods. Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

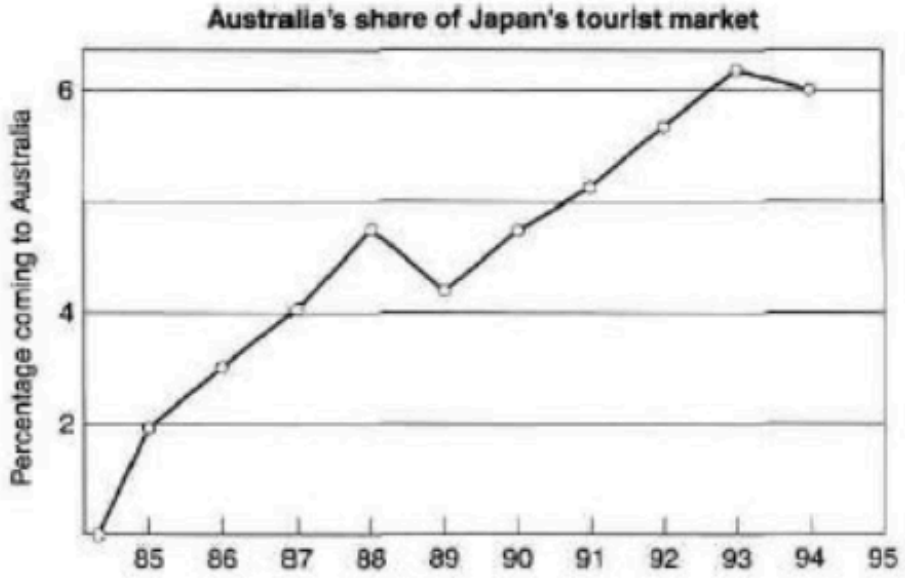
Total number of visitors to Ashdown Museum	
During the year before refurbishment:	74,000
During the year after refurbishment:	92,000

Japanese tourists abroad and in Australia

Japanese tourists travelling abroad

The charts below show the number of Japanese tourists travelling abroad between 1985 and 1995 and Australia's share of the Japanese tourist market. Write a report for a university lecturer describing the information shown below.





Country’s exports in various categories

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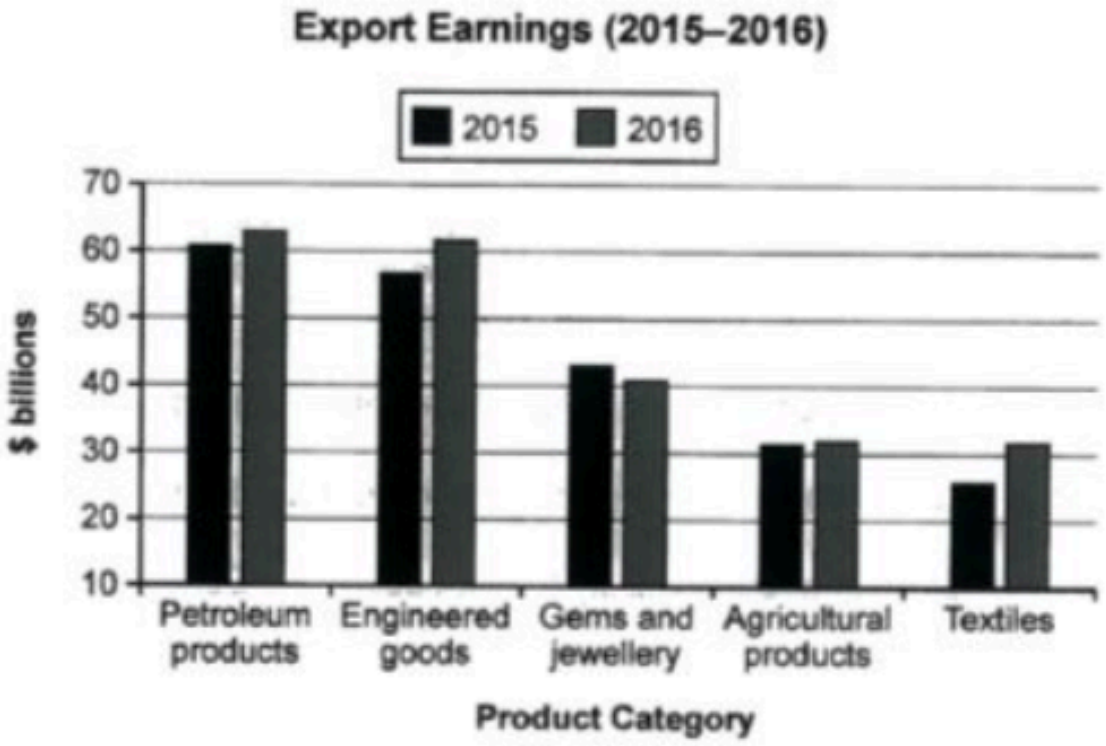
The chart below shows the value of one country’s exports in various categories during 2015 and 2016. The table shows the percentage change in each category of exports in 2016 compared with 2015. Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

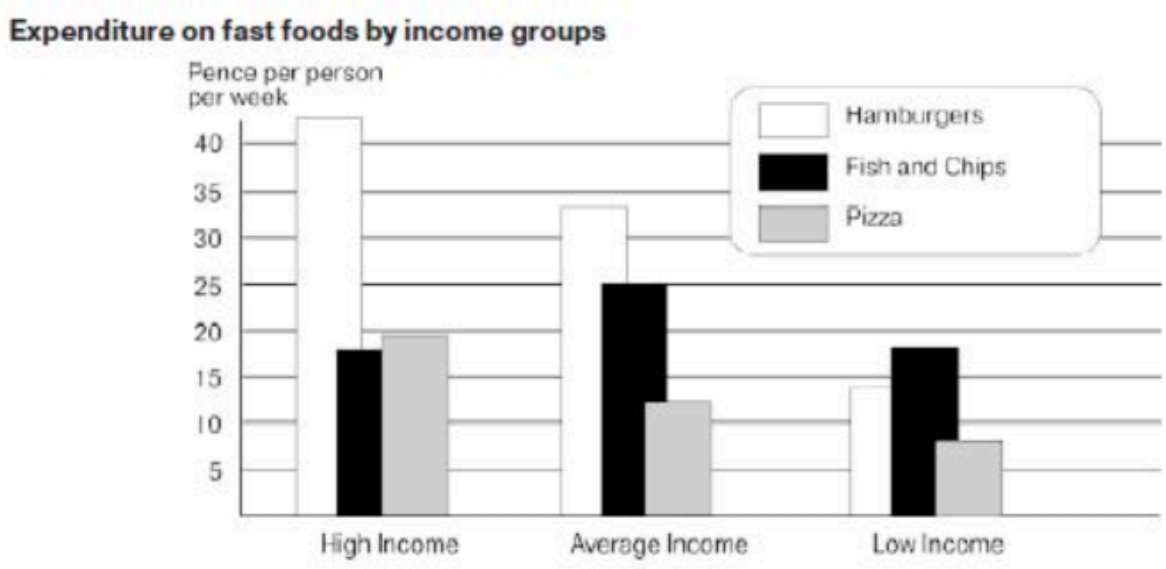


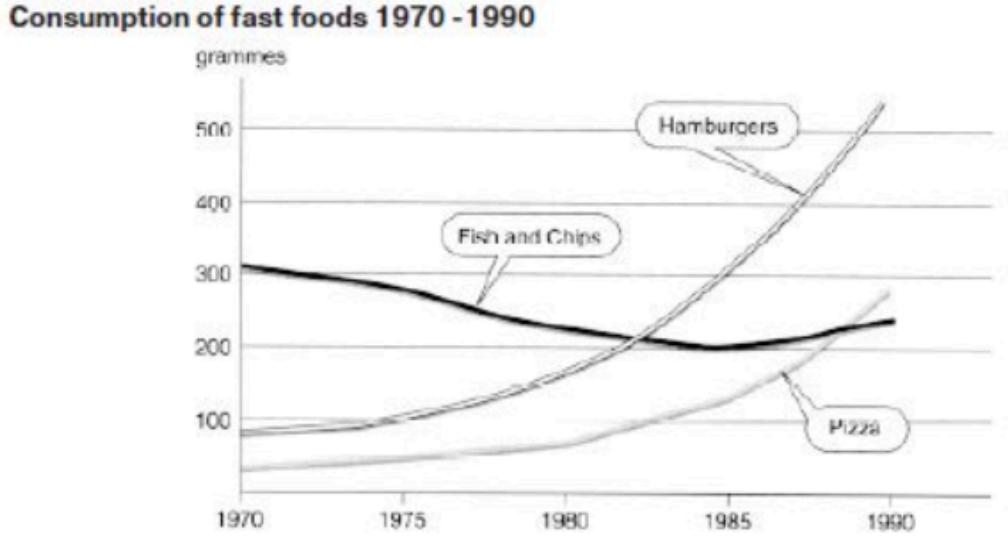
Percentage change in values (2015–2016)	
Petroleum products	↑ 3%
Engineered goods	↑ 8.5%
Gems and jewellery	↓ 5.18%
Agricultural products	↑ 0.81%
Textiles	↑ 15.24%

Expenditure and consumption on fast food in Britain

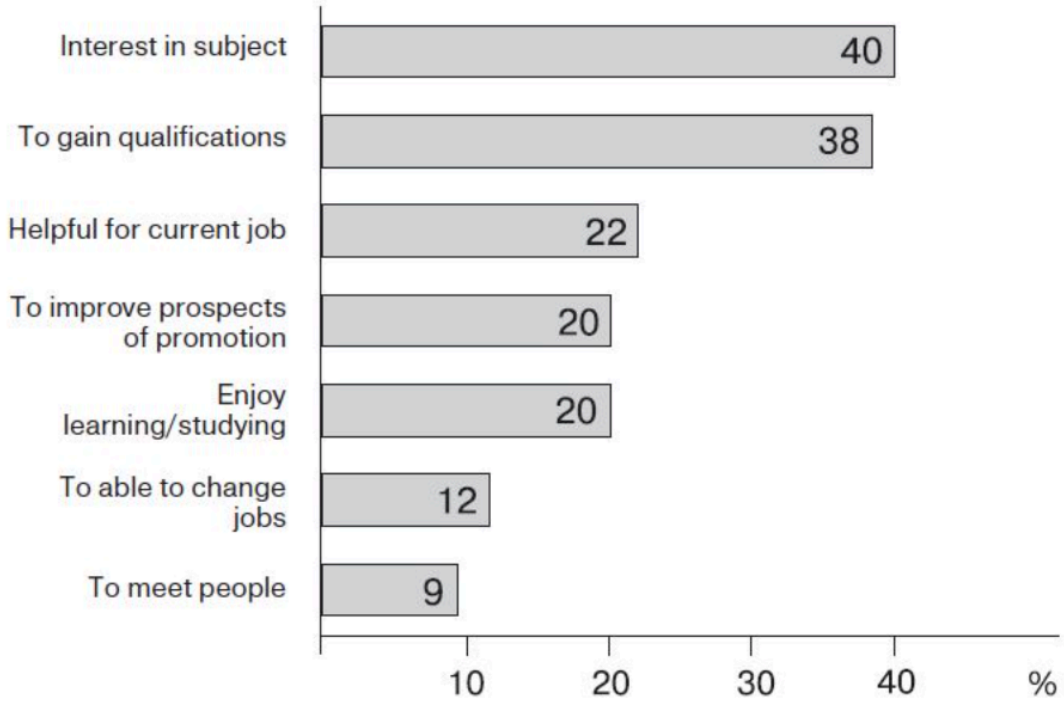
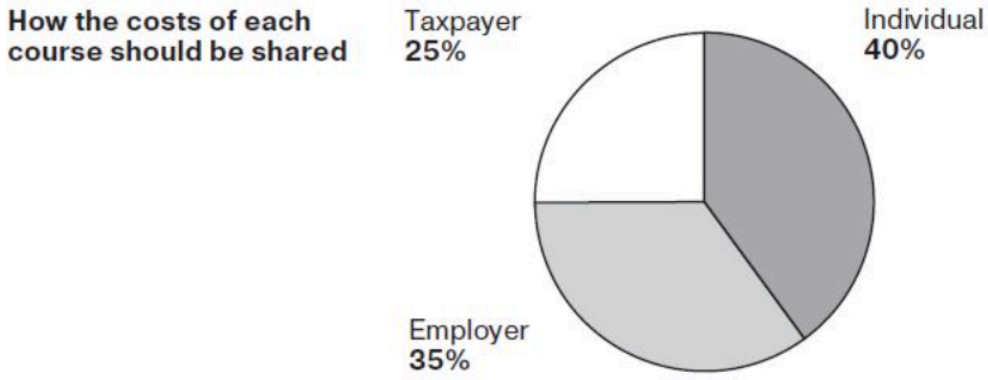
Amount of money per week spent on fast foods in Britain

The chart below shows the amount of money per week spent on fast foods in Britain. The graph shows the trends in consumption of fast foods. Write a report for a university lecturer describing the information shown below.





Adult education: Reasons for and cost breakdown

Results of a survey of adult education

The charts below show the results of a survey of adult education. The first chart shows the reasons why adults decide to study. The pie chart shows how people think the costs of adult education should be shared. Write a report for a university lecturer, describing the information shown below.