

# Writing file

#### **Email**

## (Test I, Part 2, Question 2)

#### Script A: Good answer

Hi Jack,

That's great news! You and your friends will be very welcome here. I thought you might like some ideas for places to see and how to get about.

As you're only staying for a week, I think you should see the national park and also the Lake District, which is about ten kilometres away. In my opinion, it would be a good idea for you to hire bikes because public transport is not very good here. And I haven't got a driving licence not yet!

There is a good museum full of great displays about the history of my city, which I think you will find really interesting. I promise you it's not boring at all! There is also an old castle you can visit, which is very special.

I'd love to join you and do some exploring with you. But it would only be for the weekend because I have to attend classes from Monday to Friday and I get home really late.

Do email me or phone me if you need that I do anything.

Looking forward to seeing you again very soon!

Best wishes.

Alex

#### Examiner comments

This **content** in this email is all relevant, and gives all the information required. All the points are covered in clearly organised paragraphs and Jack would be able to plan the trip based on the information given by Alex. It is written in an appropriately informal style and communicates its message successfully. It shows a good range of language, with varied structures and vocabulary. There are some small errors but they do not affect meaning.



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#### Script B: Satisfactory answer

Hi Jack

That sounds good. I am more happy that you can come to my country. There are many places great places for to explore, like beaches, parks, rivers and mountains. I think the best is the river, but you can see all! You can get around my country by public transport or hire bikes, but I prefer to hire cars because it make you easy to get around.

There are a bit museums in my city, not many unfortunately. But you can go to the capital and see the art museum, which is great, or the history museum, if you interested.

I'd love to be with you all the time, but I can at the weekend only, because I am still going to school. Yesterday I went swimming with some friends, great day. One friend is a great swimmer, but I am not!

See you soon

Alan

#### **Examiner comments**

The **content** of Alan's email is satisfactory, in that it gives all the information required and is well-organised in clear paragraphs, so Jack would be fully informed. However, it is only six words over the minimum number of words allowed, and the third paragraph contains some irrelevant information about Alan's friends. It is in an appropriately informal style, but its **communicative** achievement is only adequate. The language used, i.e., range of structures and vocabulary is only adequate. For example, he has not used linking expressions to introduce the different paragraphs. There are also a number of errors which do not affect meaning.



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### Script C: Unsatisfactory answer

Dear Jack

I please to visit my country with your friends.

I think that you'd better use bike than public transport. Because historical places are close to centre, there is far and hard to only walking. You need the tube or bus if you go to another places.

You can go to many palaces, museums, historic buildings and streets. Also, you can see a traditional house. I hope that this information would be useful information for you. If you have any other question or your plan will be fixed, please let me know. I can be with you only at the weekend.

Soon I can visit your country, too. Can you show me all the more beautiful places? I am thinking to go next summer, when I have school holiday. If you are free, we can have a good time!

Yours

Martin

#### **Examiner comments**

Martin does not include all the **content** points (places to explore is missing), so Jack would not be fully informed. His language is inadequate, with several errors that can cause confusion, for example, when he recommends using a bike. It is divided into paragraphs, but the information within each paragraph lacks **organisation**, for example, in paragraph 3. This answer is slightly below the minimum number of words, and the last paragraph is irrelevant to the task, as Martin includes information which was not required. This email does not **communicate** the message successfully.