

You **must** answer this question. Write your answer in **140–190** words in an appropriate style.

- 1 In your English class you have been talking about different ways to protect the environment. Now your English teacher has asked you to write an essay.

Write an essay using **all** the notes and give reasons for your point of view.

What can young people do to help protect and improve their local environment?

### Notes

Write about:

1. recycling things
2. cycling or walking instead of using cars
3. .... (your own idea)

Write your **essay**.

### Tip Strip

- Begin by underlining the key words in the instructions, e.g. 'different ways to protect the environment', 'using all the notes'.
- Read the essay question and the two written prompts. Note down a couple of ideas to include for each prompt, and also some interesting vocabulary you may use. For example, for the second prompt you could jot down 'air pollution', 'too much traffic'. Think of a third idea of your own and make some notes on that too.
- Plan your answer. Decide which ideas you will include in each paragraph. Remember that writing an essay is much easier when you have a plan!
- Introduce the topic in the first paragraph. You can do this by rephrasing the essay question, for example, 'We all need to help protect and improve our local environment.'
- Avoid writing only very simple sentences. Try to use a variety of tenses and grammatical structures. Don't forget to summarise your opinions briefly in the last paragraph.
- When you have finished, check that you have dealt with the two notes provided, and with a point of your own. Check that you have written between 140 and 190 words, but don't waste time counting every word.
- Finally, check your grammar and spelling.

## Part 2

### Tip Strip

- Before you start writing, think of the task type you have chosen. Is it an email, a review or an article? Remember what you have learnt about each task type.
- Whatever your choice, before you start writing, note down the main points you want to include in each paragraph.

**Question 2:** You are writing to a friend. Think of the style you have to use: is it formal or informal? Remember that your email must have opening and closing lines, and that you have to write full sentences. Do not use words that are commonly used in text messages, e.g. 'lol', 'ttyl'. Plan your answer: in paragraph 1, you may want to mention the best places and things to see, in paragraph 2 you can tell him about what transport is best and whether you can join him and his friends.

**Question 3:** Use varied vocabulary and avoid repeating adjectives such as 'nice' and 'good'. Jot down some words or expressions you may want to use when talking about a TV series. You will need to use language of description, opinion and recommendation.

**Question 4:** In your article you have to describe the computer game first. Think about how you will organise your description so that it is clear to people who have not played it, e.g. what the players have to do, who the characters are, who wins, etc. Then you have to recommend it to other readers: think of the reasons you will give (e.g. it is challenging, thrilling, etc.).

Write an answer to **one** of the questions 2–4 in this part. Write your answer in **140–190** words in an appropriate style.

- 2 You have received an email from your English-speaking friend, Jack, who is coming to visit your country with some friends. Write an email to Jack, answering his questions.

What are the best places to explore and things to see in your area? Should we use public transport or hire bikes? Are there interesting museums or exhibitions to learn about your country? Join us if you can! Please write soon.  
Jack

Write your **email**.

- 3 You recently saw this notice in a magazine for students of English.

**Write a review of a TV series you really enjoy!**

Tell us what makes the plot and characters so interesting for you, and whether you would recommend it for viewers of all ages.

Write your **review**.

- 4 You have decided to write an article about your favourite computer game for a magazine for young people called *Funtime*. Write the article, describing the game and explaining why you would recommend it to other readers.

Write your **article**.