

How is the Writing paper assessed?

A trained assessor will read your answers and award a mark based on the following criteria.

Task	Criteria	What do these criteria mean?
Writing Task 1	Task Achievement	Did you answer the question fully and write 150 words?
Writing Task 2	Task Response	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Did your answer address all of the points in the question?• Did you provide a balanced argument and support your ideas with evidence and examples?• Were all of your ideas relevant to the question?• Did you write 250 words?
Both tasks	Coherence and Cohesion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Is your writing easy to understand?• Are your ideas well organised and clearly linked?
	Lexical Resource	Did you use a wide range of vocabulary accurately and effectively?
	Grammatical Range and Accuracy	Did you use a wide range of grammatical structures accurately and effectively?

Writing Task 2 is worth more marks than Writing Task 1. The assessor will combine your two scores to obtain one final score.