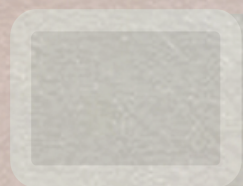


CHECKLIST FOR IELTS ACADEMIC WRITING

THINGS MATTER WHEN DOING SELF-CHECK &
SELF-CORRECTION YOUR OWN WRITING PAPER



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WRITING TASK 1

Task Response

- Have I presented 4 paragraphs in the order of: introduction, overview, body 1, body 2?
- Have my introduction included: diagram type, subjects, time frames, unit of measurement?
- Have the overview highlighted the key features of the visuals (trend, pattern,...)?
- Have the detail paragraphs clearly covered and highlighted key features with supported data?

Coherence & Cohesion

- Have I divided the information into two clear and logical paragraphs?
- Have I made comparisons regarding key features with supported data, and NOT just listed information?
- Have all the sentences are effectively linked with others by a range of cohesive devices?

Lexical Resource & Grammatical Range & Accuracy

- Have I avoided repetition of words and grammatical structures?
- Have I used a sufficient range of lexical resources to convey precise meanings when describing charts, maps, process?
- Have I used the correct tenses based on time frame?
- Have I used a variety of sentence structures (simple sentences, compound sentences, complex sentences)
- Which aspects do I need to check for mistakes?
 - Pluralisation
 - word order
 - word formation
 - Wrong word
 - spelling
 - Incorrect omission/ inclusion of articles
 - subject-verb agreement

Additional Checklist for Map

- Have I used precise terminology when describing Map?
- Have I used a range of synonyms?

Additional Checklist for Process

- Have I used passive voices correctly?
- Have I used effectively linking devices when transitioning different steps?
- Have I used appropriate adverbials of location?

WRITING TASK 2

Task Response

- Have I divided my essay into paragraphs in the order of: Introduction, Body 1, Body 2, Conclusion?
- Have my introduction paraphrased the task and stated the aim of my essay in a thesis statement?
- Have I started each paragraph with a clear topic sentence and developed them with relevant and supporting ideas
- Have I managed to respond to all parts of the question fully?

Coherence & Cohesion

- Have the paragraphs been clear and well-constructed with clear topic sentences for each?
- Have all the sentences are effectively linked with others by a range of cohesive devices?
- Have I developed my arguments properly with the inclusion of reasons, examples, results?

Lexical Resource

- Have the question been suitably paraphrased?
- Have I avoided repetition of vocabulary
- Have I used a sufficient range of academic vocabulary and vocabulary specific to the topic?

Grammar Range and Accuracy

- Have I checked the verb tenses and subject-verb agreement?
- Has spelling been checked?
- Have I used a variety of sentence structures (simple sentences, compound sentences, complex sentences)
- Are the sentences between 15 and 25 words long?

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