# Writing Task 1-Describe a Process

A diagram shows a process, which means a series of Events, and your job is to:

- a. State what the diagram is about
- b. State what happens in the diagram
- c. Describe the step by step process of the diagram

### **Essay Outline**

## Paragraph 1: Introduction. (3 sentences)

- > General statement
  - Explain what the object is and what it does.
    - The diagram shows .....
- > Thesis statement
  - Say what you are going to do.
    - ❖ In this essay, I will describe how coffee is made.
    - I will now explain how a photocopier works.
- State how many stages there are in the diagram
  - There are ----- stages to this process.
  - The process by which ------ can be outlined in ------ steps.

## Paragraph 2: (Body of essay)

- Explain the process
  - How to use/make (Keep it clear and simple)
- Use sequence words

- Follow the sequence shown in the diagram to help show the correct order.
- Each stage may involve several steps
  - ❖ The first stage in making glass is ...
  - In this stage, the sand is cleaned and weighed...
  - ❖ Next....
  - After that....
  - In the final stage,
- Use Imperatives (bossy words)
  - Verbs used to instruct or tell what to do (Example: pick, put, get, open, close, select, press, save, add, chop, mix, slice, place, cut)
- Use connectors
  - and, which, while, ....

## **Paragraph 3 (the conclusion)**

- > Summarize the results of the process.
  - <u>As can be seen,</u> ..... is a difficult process. If you follow the steps described then you will be successful.

# Sample essay 1

#### **How to Make Bread:**



The diagram shows how bread is made. In this essay, I will describe the main steps to follow in making bread. There are six simple stages to this process.

**First,** measure the correct amount of flour and warm water. **Second,** mix the flour and water together in a mixing bowl. Add yeast, salt and sugar. **Next,** knead the mixture until it feels almost dry. Leave the mixture for about an hour in a warm place. It will grow in size. **After this,** knead the mixture again. Make sure the mixture is not sticky when you touch it. **Then** leave the dough in a baking tin for about an hour to give it time to rise. **Finally,** put the dough into a preheated oven for about forty minutes.

As you can see, it is not difficult to make bread if you follow the right steps.

(144 words)

# Sample essay 2

### How to set the alarm on a mobile phone:



The diagram shows how alarm is set on a mobile phone. There are seven simple steps to follow in setting the alarm. In this essay, I will describe these steps.

**First,** pick up your phone and press power on button. **Second,** unlock your phone and enter your pin number. **Next,** select clock application which is signified by a clock symbol. **Then,** select alarm clock. Find and tap on the add alarm button which is a plus symbol and is located in the upper right corner of the screen. **After that,** scroll to change time. Make sure to choose AM or PM correctly and save your changes. Switch the alarm on. **Finally,** press power off button and put down your phone.

As you can see, it is not difficult to set the alarm on a mobile phone if you follow the right steps.

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# **Now practice**

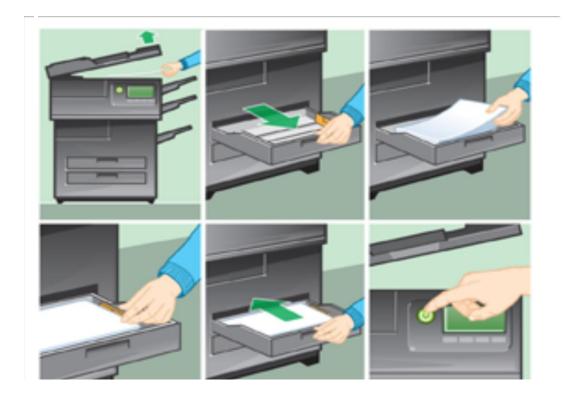
### Task 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The diagram illustrates the process that is used to prepare a photocopier for use.

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

Write at least 120 words



Write your essay here.....