

WRITING

Part 9

Question 56

You have started going to a new sports club. Write an email to your English friend, Pat.

Tell Pat:

- **where** the club is
- **what sport** you do there
- **how much** it costs.

Write **25 – 35** words.

Write the email on your answer sheet.

Sample answers with examiner comments

Candidate A

Hi, Pat! I joined to a new sport club at the school last week. I am playing football every week there and it don't cost anything! It's great fun. Do you want to come too?

Write soon,
Joseph

Examiner comments 5 marks

All three parts of the message are clearly communicated with only minor grammatical errors.

Candidate C

Hi Pat,
Thank you for your email. I started go to my new football club with my work college. It cost \$4 dollars for a match. Last game I was fist in team and we win!

Examiner comments 3 marks

Two parts of the message are clearly communicated.

Candidate B

From: Maria
To: Pat

My favorite sport is a the tennis. I go to new tennis club near my house and plays with my huband. I don't know how much is the cost, pays mine huband!

Examiner comments 4 marks

All parts of the message are communicated with some non-impeding errors in grammar and spelling, and awkwardness of expression.

Candidate D

From: Toni
To: Pat

Thank for email. The sport is a favrite sport. I like a football. I play football in club. I very like. Yo like football? Write me soon.

Examiner comments 1 mark

Only one part of the message is communicated.

Candidate E

Dear Pat,
You start going a sport club. Where is club? What the sport there?
How it cost?

Examiner comments 0 marks

The question is unattempted.

Assessment of Writing Part 9

- There are 5 marks for Part 9. Candidates at this level are not expected to produce faultless English, but to achieve 5 marks a candidate should write a cohesive message, which successfully communicates all three parts of the message, with only minor grammar and spelling errors. A great variety of fully acceptable answers is possible.

Candidates are penalised for not writing the minimum number of words (i.e. fewer than 25). They are not penalised for writing too much, though they are not advised to do so. Candidates also need to think carefully about who the target reader is for each task and try to write in an appropriate style. It is important to write clearly so that the answers are easy to read. However, it is not important if candidates write in upper or lower case, or if their writing is joined up or not.

Mark Scheme for Part 9

Mark	Criteria
5	All three parts of message clearly communicated. Only minor spelling errors or occasional grammatical errors.
4	All three parts of message communicated. Some non-impeding errors in spelling and grammar or some awkwardness of expression.
3	All three parts of message attempted. Expression requires interpretation by the reader and contains impeding errors in spelling and grammar. All three parts of the message are included but the context is incorrect. or Two parts of message are clearly communicated. Only minor spelling errors or occasional grammatical errors.
2	Only two parts of message communicated. Some errors in spelling and grammar. The errors in expression may require patience and interpretation by the reader and impede communication.
1	Only one part of the message communicated. Some attempt to address the task but response is very unclear.
0	Question unattempted, or totally incomprehensible response.