



# IELTS General Training Volume 8 Writing Practice Test 2

## HOW TO USE

You have 2 ways to access the test

1. Open this URL <https://link.intergreat.com/5zh1B> on your computer
2. Use your mobile device to scan the QR code attached



# WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about **20** minutes on this task.

You have lost your student identification card. This has created some problems for you.

Write a letter to the director of student services. In your letter

advise them of your situation

explain how this is affecting you

request a new card

You do **NOT** need to **write any addresses**.

Begin your letter as follows:

Dear

You should write at least **150** words.



# WRITING TASK 2

You should spend about **40** minutes on this task.

Write about the following topic:

Every country has poor people and every country has different ways of dealing with the poor.

What are some of the reasons for world poverty? How can the poor be helped?

Give reasons for your answers and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

You should write at least **250** words.

# SAMPLE WRITING TASK 1

Dear ,

I am writing to advise you that I lost my student identification card yesterday and to ask for a new card to be issued as quickly as possible. There are several reasons why I need a new card by the end of this week.

I live in the outer suburbs and depend on both trains and buses to get to class every day. I also need a student card to be able to borrow library books to complete my assignments. Less importantly, I cannot afford to go to the cinema unless I have a student discount. Again, I need the card for that.

Most importantly, however, I use this card as proof of identification when withdrawing money from the bank. This week I have to pay rent for next month and will have to withdraw a large amount of money to cover this. I pay the rent by bank cheque.

I apologise for any inconvenience caused.

Yours truly,

# SAMPLE WRITING TASK 2

Even in developed countries a degree of poverty exists. However, in many developing countries poverty is a major problem, and the number of poor people continues to increase. There are various factors that cause poverty and these need to be addressed.'

The first factor influencing world poverty is the current global economic system. This system reinforces inequality between rich and poor people since it allows resources to be distributed unequally amongst people. In addition, the global economic system can favour the investment strategies of large transnational corporations, which often pay their workers sub-standard wages.

Another reason for world poverty is illiteracy. Many people around the world do not have access to education, and as a result do not learn to read or write. They are, therefore, precluded from well-paid employment and so can not improve their living conditions.

In order to provide help for the world's poor these problems need to be addressed. Firstly, the international community has to establish a fairer economic system in which the wealth of each country can be shared equitably amongst its people. Moreover, all countries around the world should make it a priority to eradicate illiteracy by providing comprehensive education for all citizens so that everyone is equally capable of improving their living standards via access to education.

To conclude, it can be said that poverty will probably always exist. Nevertheless, countries

around the world can take actions to reduce poverty by ensuring that there is a fair distribution of wealth amongst people, and by making sure that all people have access to education.