

IELTS Practice Tests Plus Volume 1

Writing Practice Test 3

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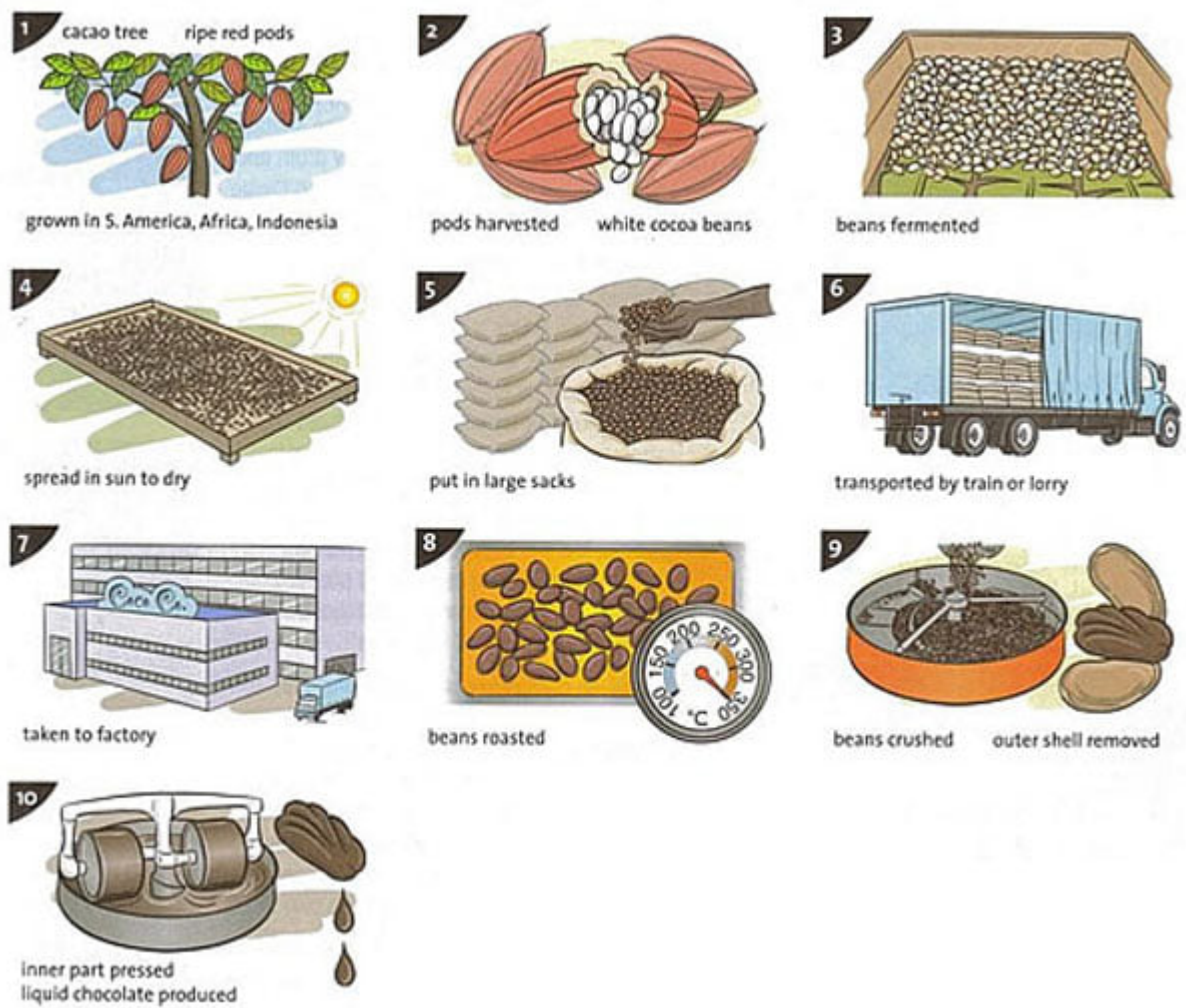


WRITING TASK 1

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

The diagram shows how chocolate is produced. Summarize the information by selecting and reporting the main features and make comparisons where relevant.

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



WRITING TASK 2

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

Present a written argument or case to an educated non-specialist audience on the following topic:

In the past, sporting champions used to be motivated primarily by the desire to win a match or to break world records. These days they are more likely to be motivated by prize money and the opportunity to be famous.

What message does this send to young people and how does this attitude to sport affect the

sports themselves?

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

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

SAMPLE WRITING TASK 1

The line charts compare the proportion of Australian males and females in different age group engaging in part-time and full-time jobs in 1973 and 1993. Overall, part-time jobs were more popular among the young than the other, and almost all the figures went up after a 20-year period.

Regarding full-time people, the rates for males were generally ahead of their female counterparts. More specifically, approximately 60% of men between the age of 15 and 19 worked as full-time employees in 1973, and the figure then increased dramatically before hovering around 90% as they grew older. However, only 20% of the oldest age group continued to work. It is also interesting to note that the percentages for full-time males declined slightly in 1993 although the same pattern was repeated. In addition, for full-time women, the dominant age groups were 20-24 and 40-45, at 55% and 45% respectively in 1993.

To turn to part-time work, more females took part in this kind of job than males did. A striking difference was that while the highest figure was for men age 15-19, that for women was the 35-39 age group, about 22% for the former and practically 33% for the latter in 1993. Besides, the numbers for both categories experienced a period of sharp growth after two decades.

SAMPLE WRITING TASK 2

In the bygone days, the aim of an athlete was to win the competition or to set a new world records. Nowadays, it has changed, as many sport players are motivated by the prize and the popularity. The following essay will discuss about how the effect of the changes to the young generation and how it has affected to the sport industry.

To begin with, as athletes' motivation has changed nowadays, it brings some negative effects to the young people. It is a fact that many football or basketball stars are highly paid and become very popular these days. The condition has led them into a luxurious or glamorous lifestyle, and many of them are married to a famous actress or a supermodel. It has convey some negative messages to the young people that professional athletes world is a world of parties, wealth and hedonism lifestyles. Meanwhile, in the past, athletes' motivation was to be the best in his field, and become a good role model for the young generation with their hardworking attitude.

As professional sport players are highly paid these days, it has changed the paradigm of the sport industry. Sports leagues are becoming commercialized as they need the money to pay these athletes. Ticket prices are ridiculously expensive, and during a live game on television, so many commercials are added. And then, many games are showing more of an individual

attraction rather than a solid teamwork, as each of the athletes is trying to become the dominant player. And last but not least, many sport leagues are filled with negative issues nowadays due to the commercialization, such as athletes strike on salary cap or corruption by some sport bodies.

In conclusion, it is true that sports have become an attractive business nowadays. Many athletes are well paid and sport leagues have become a great opportunity for some parties. Despite of all the fortunes, the pure essences of sports which are sportive, team work and discipline are all lost. Athletes are becoming more individualistic and have some negative lifestyles and it could be a bad example for the young generation. And then sport industrialization has negatively affected many sport organizations. Therefore it is the government's task to set some clear regulation about the world of sport.