

# IELTS Practice Tests Plus Volume 2

## Writing Practice Test 1

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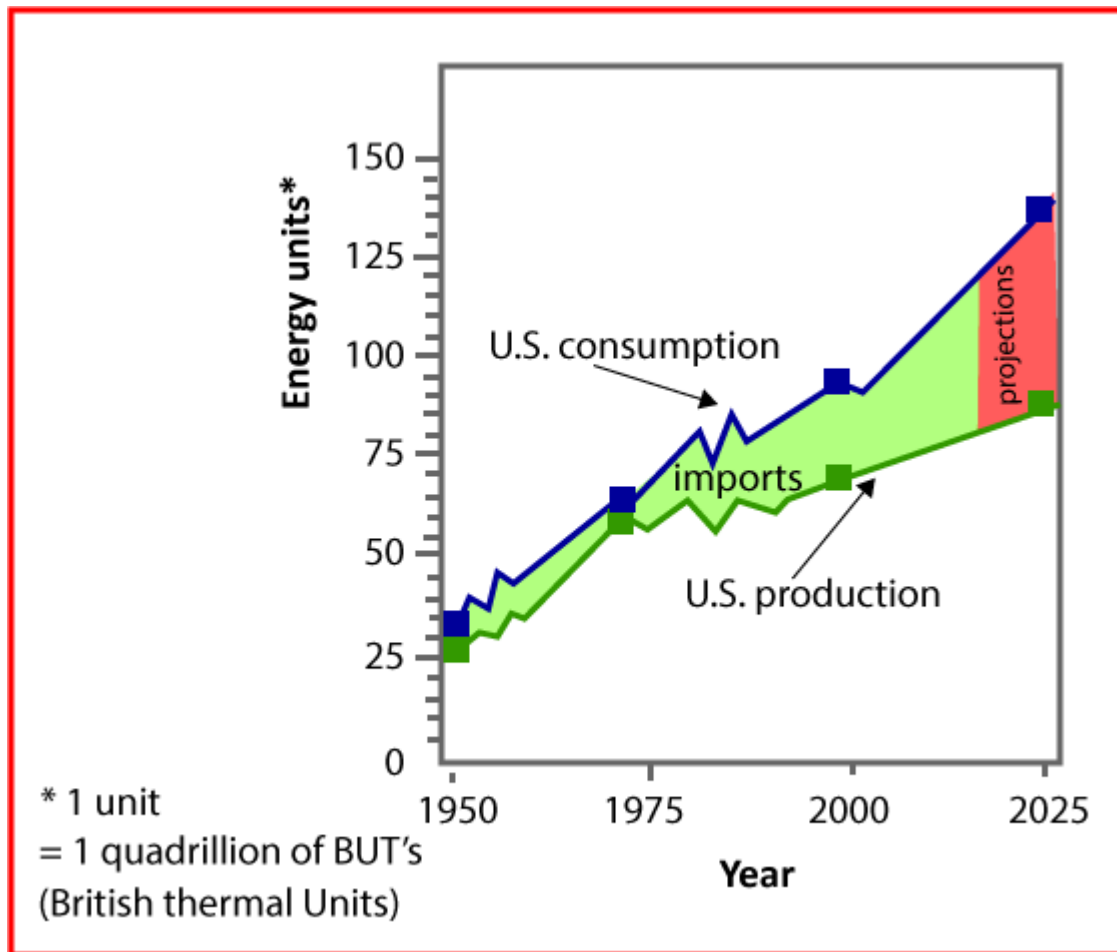
# WRITING TASK 1

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

The graph below compares figures for the production and consumption of energy in the US from 1950 to 2000. It also predicts figures for 2025.

Summarise 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.

Write about the following topic.

The only way to reduce the amount of traffic in cities today is by reducing the need for people to travel from home for work, education or shopping.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

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

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experience.

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

# SAMPLE WRITING TASK 1

## Sample Band: 9

The graph **shows** changes in the gap between US energy consumption and production since 1950. It also **estimates** trends **up to** 2025.

**Between 1950 and 1970** both production and consumption **increased** from just over 30 units to about 65, and **although** consumption was **consistently higher**, the difference was **marginal** during this period. **However**, production grew only gradually over the next 30 years to reach 70 units in 2000. **In contrast**, growth in consumption was **steeper** and more **fluctuating**, reaching 95 units by 2000. Energy imports **needed to bridge this gap therefore** increased from **very little** in 1970 to a **substantial** 25 units in 2000.

**Projections** up to 2025 indicate that this trend is **likely** to continue, **with the gap** between production and consumption **widening**. **By 2025** it is **expected** that consumption will reach 140 units, while production will **reach** only 90, so more than 30% of energy consumed [50 units] will have to be imported.

**Overall**, the graph **indicates** that energy production in the US is not **keeping up** with consumption, so imports will **continue** to increase.

# SAMPLE WRITING TASK 2

## Sample Band: 9

**It is certainly true that** today traffic in cities throughout the world has become a major problem. **This is obvious** from the number of vehicles on our roads and the amount of pollution they cause. **Probably** the traffic problem is **due to** individuals travelling for work, study or shopping purposes, and this is **evident** in the rush hours we experience every morning and evening.

**It is also true that** today such daily commuting is not always necessary because people can do these things from home. **We can see this** in the options information technology gives us today. **For instance**, on-line work, distance learning and shopping facilities are all available via the Internet.

**However**, even if everyone had access to the technology and the opportunity to work from home, it is unrealistic to think that everyone would want to. **Even though** the technology for working, studying or shopping on-line makes this option a possibility, **nevertheless** it would mean people had less freedom of choice and less social contact in their lives. This would have a large impact on society as a whole.

So, **in conclusion**, **I think that** while this practice could reduce the traffic problems in our cities, it is most unlikely to be an acceptable solution. **In terms of other solutions**, perhaps we need to think more carefully about facilitating public transport and limiting private cars in our city centres. The development of public transport that is not road based, such as sky trams or

subways, would probably be a more acceptable alternative measure to reduce jams on our roads.