

# IELTS Recent Mock Tests Volume 2

## Writing Practice Test 3

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# WRITING TASK 1

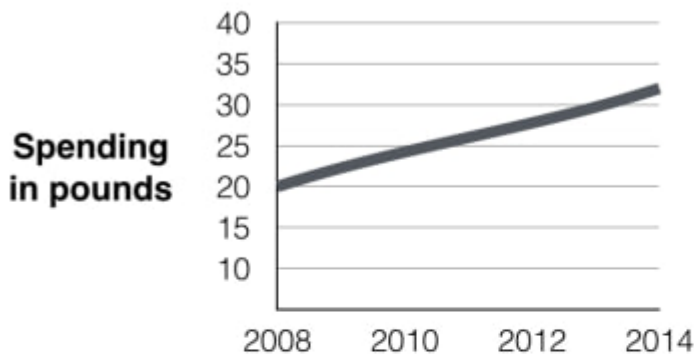
You should spend about **20** minutes on this task.

The first chart below gives information about the money spent by British parents on their children's sports between 2008 and 2014. The second chart shows the number of children who participated in three sports in Britain over the same time period.

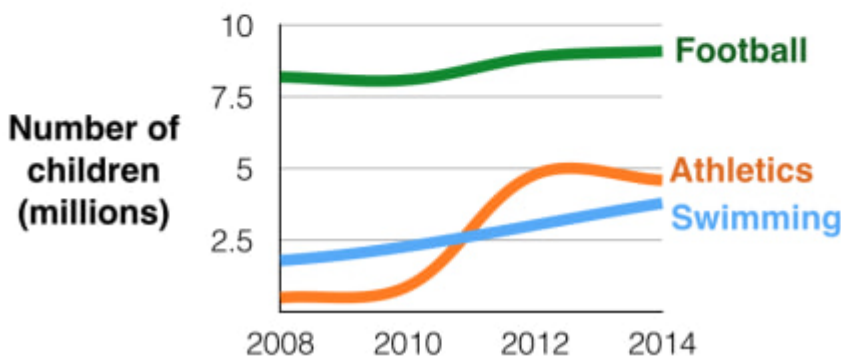
Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features and make comparisons where relevant.

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

**Average monthly spend on children's sports**



**Participation in three different sports**



# WRITING TASK 2

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

Write about the following topic.

Extreme sports such as sky diving and skiing are very dangerous and should be banned.

To what extent do you agree or disagree with this view?

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

One of the line graphs given presents the data of the average monthly spending in pounds on children's sports for a period of six years from 2008 to 2014. The other graph compares the number of children participated in three different sports from 2008 to 2014. As it can be seen the average monthly spend on sports has increased over the time. And the children participated in football was always higher among the three sports given.

To begin, the average monthly spending has positively risen. With a slight increase of 12 pounds, the spend was approximately 32 pounds by the end of 2014 from 20 in 2008. Coming to the participation in the sports, football always had highest number of participants among the three sports including its slightest down trend in the year 2010. There was a little increase in the number of children interested in swimming from 2008 (around 2 million) to 2014 (around 3.5 million). Athletics which has the lowest participation among the three sports till 2010 has surprisingly reached a 5 million in 2012. By the end of 2014 the participation in athletics was just lower than 5 million outweighing the participation in swimming.

# SAMPLE WRITING TASK 2

In recent years, extreme sports have become increasingly popular, and some people argue that governments should prohibit them. I completely disagree with the idea that these sports are too dangerous, and I therefore believe that they should not be banned.

In my opinion, so-called extreme sports are not as dangerous as many people think. All sports involve some element of risk, and there should always be clear regulations and safety procedures to reduce the possibility of accidents. People who take part in extreme sports are usually required to undergo appropriate training so that the dangers are minimised. For example, anyone who wants to try skydiving will need to sign up for lessons with a registered club, and beginners are not allowed to dive solo; they must be accompanied by an experienced professional. Finally, the protective equipment and technology used in sports from motor racing to mountain climbing is constantly improving safety.

While I support regulations and safety measures, I believe that it would be wrong, and almost impossible, to ban extreme sports. In the first place, we should all be free to decide how we spend our leisure time; as long as we understand the risks, I do not believe that politicians should stop us from enjoying ourselves. However, an even stronger argument against such a ban would be the difficulty of enforcing it. Many of the most risky sports, like base jumping or big wave surfing, are practised far away from the reach of any authorities. I cannot imagine the police being called to stop people from parachuting off a mountain face or surfing on an isolated beach.

In conclusion, I would argue that people should be free to enjoy extreme sports as long as they understand the risks and take the appropriate precautions.