

## TEST 1, WRITING TASK 1

This is an answer written by a candidate who achieved a **Band 6.0** score.

The charts give information about ownership of electrical appliances and amount of time spent doing house work in households in one country between 1920 and 2019.

Above all, the percentage of households with electrical appliances went up through 1920 to 2019. On the contrary, the number of hours of housework per week decreased. As the first graph illustrates, refrigerator became to be used 100% in 2000 though its proportion in 1920 was almost 0%. On the other hand, the percentage of washing machine soared from 40% to 75% and it changed slightly. The percentage of vacuum cleaner changed dramatically and it hit a peak in 2019. According to the second graph, the number of hours of chores per week went down gradually. It was 50 hours in 1920 but 2019, it became about 10 hours.

As these charts show, it is certain that as the percentage of households with electrical appliances increased, the number of hours of housework declined.

Here is the examiner's comment:

This response presents the overall pattern for each appliance and the number of hours worked. An overview is presented at the beginning of the second paragraph, then again in the final paragraph.

There are some inaccurate details in the first graph [*refrigerator became to be used 100% in 2000*], when it was 1980. There is also a lack of precision when describing the trends in the graphs [*changed slightly* | *went down gradually*]. In order to score more highly, the response should include more detail on the trends, e.g. it mentions the vacuum cleaner [*changed dramatically*] but needs to give data to support this.

Ideas are organised and progress logically in this response. There is some effective use of cohesive devices [*On the contrary* | *As the first graph illustrates* | *On the other hand* | *According to the second graph* | *As these charts show*] with some errors [*Above all*].

Vocabulary is used adequately and there are some good examples used [*proportion* | *soared* | *hit a peak*]; however, some errors remain [*vaccum cleaner* / vacuum cleaner | *macine* / machine] even though these words are given in the question.

Grammar structures include some sentences with multiple clauses [*As the first graph illustrates ...*]. However, there are errors [*became to be used*] including plural endings and most sentences are short and simple.

To improve the Band Score, the response should be a minimum of 250 words and should not contain sections copied from the question (first sentence).