

TEST 4, WRITING TASK 1

This is an answer written by a candidate who achieved a **Band 5.0** score.

This diagram shows how Plastic bottles are recycled bottles. Overall It can be seen from the graph that there are 8 stages to recycling Plastic bottles.

The process for recycling bottles begins with throwing plastic items in bins. Following this, The Plastic bottles are collected from bins and taken to recycling centre. The next stage is to sort the bottles if it can be recycled or not. The following step, The bottles that will recycling again have been compressed in boxes. Following this, The bottles are crushed by special machines and washed in a big pool. After this, They are taken to producing plastic pellets. Before last stage, bottles are heated to form raw material to be already to final stage that is to producing end products. Then the products take the same process again.

Here is the examiner's comment:

There is an attempt at an overview for this task; however, saying [*there are 8 stages*] is not sufficient because it does not summarise the main stages of the process. Key information is provided but some details are missing, e.g. naming the products that are made at the end of the process.

The stages of the process are presented in the correct order and progression is clear. However, each sentence in the main paragraph starts with a linking device [*Following this* | *The next stage* | *After this*]. These devices are overused and some are faulty [*The following step*].

The range of vocabulary is limited but minimally adequate. The errors do cause some difficulty for the reader [*pins* / *bins*] and most of the stronger vocabulary is copied from the question [*recycling centre* | *producing plastic pellets* | *to form raw material* | *producing end products*]. A wider range of vocabulary would be needed for a higher score.

The range of grammatical structures is limited [*bottles are collected* | *bottles are crushed* | *bottles are heated*] and errors are frequent but the meaning is still clear.

To score more highly, the overview should summarise the main stages of the process, e.g. plastic bottles are collected, sorted, broken down and then made into a range of new products.