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[**See below**](#TR)[**C&C**](#CC)[**LR**](#LR)[**GRA**](#GRA)[**Model answer**](#Model_answer)

**WRITING TASK 1**

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task

***The chart below gives information about reasons for making journeys, in a European country in 2010.***

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

Write at least 150 words



**Your answer**

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**TA – Task Achievement nb – GRA and LR errors have not been corrected**

**Band score 4**

There is a clear overview.

You summarised the information accurately, but you didn’t mention day trips. If you ignored day trips because you think it’s not important as it had the lowest figures, you’re taking a great risk. I don’t think most examiners would agree, especially as there are only 6 reasons in the chart, and 12 figures in all.



If you had included day trips, it would be a 7, or possible an 8 for TA.

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**C&C - Cohesion and Coherence nb GRA and LR errors have not been corrected**

**Band score 7**

The overall organisation of the paragraphs is good and logical. You organised by gender, which is a logical way. [See mine](#Model_answer), as I did it differently.

It is well-organised, and with sufficient correct use of cohesive devices to get a 7.

Note that if you organised it like mine, you could use more referencing, as in the table.

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| Examples of referencing that you could use various Task 1 questions - not necessarily for this one.  |
| […], followed by the UK and France, at 4% and 7% respectively |
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| […] with respective figures of x and y million. |
| […], while the figures for A and B were x and y respectively |
| By 2010, Chinese inflation had increased again, ending the period at around 6.5%, while that of the US had fallen slightly to about 1.8%.  |
| At the same time, consumption of chicken and lamb stood at about 150 gpw, while that of fish was much lower, at 60 gpw.  |
| Overall, the Weston Price Clinic saw by far the highest level of customer satisfaction, while that of the State Hospital was the lowest.  |
| […], while in the case of the former, it ended the period at […]  |
| […], while the corresponding figure for men was x |
| […], while the corresponding figure for their male counterparts was x |
| […] around 30% of Americans ate fast food once or twice a month in 2003, and 33% did so in 2013.  |
| […] a new pedestrian crossing will be built, as will two bicycle lanes, replacing some […]  |
| The 2 lane road will be replaced by a 4 lane one |

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**LR- - Lexical resource nb Some GRA errors have not been corrected.**

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Vocabulary is used accurately with sufficient flexibility to show precise meaning, which is good for a band score 8

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**GRA - Grammatical range and accuracy - nb Some LR errors have not been corrected**

**Band score 7**

It is between a 7 and an 8 for GRA.

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| Grammatical structures you could use in different types of Task 1 question – not necessarily in this one |
| If you want to write *~~The percentage of unemployment was 5% The proportion of unemployment was 5%~~*you need to rephrase:*Unemployment stood at 5%Around 5% of the workforce was unemployed* |
| the past perfect | *[…] by 1990 numbers had reached 20 million* |
| participle phrases  | *[…], ending the period at this level.* |
| grouping (A)Two or more features can be grouped together | *With regard to food and drink, including tobacco products, 30% of expenditure* ***in both Ireland and Turkey*** *went on these products, while* ***the figures for Italy, Spain, and Sweden*** *stood at between 15% and 19%.* |
| Grouping (B) | With regard to shipping goods by **water and rail**, **both** fluctuated throughout the 28 year period, although the former ended with a rise of around 30%, and the latter finished the period close to its starting level of 40 MTA |
| preposition + gerund  | […] , *with x million passengers* ***using*** *it every year.* |
| preposition + gerund (passive) | […] , *with 100 grams per week* ***being consumed*** *by the typical person in this country […]* |

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**Model answer**

None available for the question you did