



## Culture and Traditions

Review planning bank: culture festival

### Exam-style review task

Your school recently held a culture festival. Your teacher has asked you to write a review of the festival for your school magazine. Here are some comments about the culture festival:

'The dance performances were exciting.'

'The food stalls were popular.'

'The timetable was confusing.'

'Some queues were too long.'

The comments above may give you some ideas, and you should also use some ideas of your own.

**Write about 120 to 160 words.**

### Planning

Use the comments to organise your review. Add details, examples and one idea of your own.

<b>Concise, engaging title</b>	<b>Possible techniques:</b> vivid image / short question / strong adjective
<b>Introduction</b>	<b>Context:</b> what the festival was; where it was held; who attended; why it is worth reviewing <b>Hook:</b> Did the festival bring cultures to life?
<b>Description</b>	<b>Key features:</b> dance performances, food stalls, <b>Atmosphere:</b> busy, colourful,

Positives	Negatives / Areas for improvement
<b>Idea:</b> dance performances were exciting <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Extra idea:</b> food stalls were popular <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Idea of your own:</b> <b>Detail / example:</b>	<b>Issue:</b> timetable was confusing <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>  <b>Another issue:</b> queues were too long <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>

<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Overall opinion:</b> <b>Who would enjoy it most:</b> <b>Final recommendation phrase:</b>
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Review planning bank: traditions documentary

### Exam-style review task

Your class recently watched a documentary about unusual traditions around the world. Your teacher has asked you to write a review of the documentary for your school magazine.

Here are some comments about the documentary:

'The festival scenes were fascinating.'

'The interviews felt personal.'

'Some explanations were too brief.'

'The subtitles were hard to read.'

The comments above may give you some ideas, and you should also use some ideas of your own.

**Write about 120 to 160 words.**

### Planning

Use the comments to organise your review. Add details, examples and one idea of your own.

<b>Concise, engaging title</b>	<b>Possible techniques:</b> intriguing question / contrast / memorable wording
<b>Introduction</b>	<b>Context:</b> what the documentary was about; when you watched it; who it might interest; why it is worth reviewing <b>Hook:</b> Can a documentary make traditions feel fresh?
<b>Description</b>	<b>Main content:</b> festival scenes, interviews, <b>Tone:</b> curious, respectful,

Positives	Negatives / Areas for improvement
<b>Idea:</b> festival scenes were fascinating <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Extra idea:</b> interviews felt personal <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Idea of your own:</b> <b>Detail / example:</b>	<b>Issue:</b> some explanations were too brief <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>  <b>Another issue:</b> subtitles were hard to read <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>

<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Overall opinion:</b> <b>Who would enjoy it most:</b> <b>Final recommendation phrase:</b>
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Review planning bank: traditional craft workshop

### Exam-style review task

A visiting artist recently taught students a traditional craft. Your teacher has asked you to write a review of the workshop for your school magazine.

Here are some comments about the workshop:

'Making something by hand was satisfying.'

'The artist explained the history clearly.'

'There were not enough tools.'

'The session felt too short.'

The comments above may give you some ideas, and you should also use some ideas of your own.

**Write about 120 to 160 words.**

### Planning

Use the comments to organise your review. Add details, examples and one idea of your own.

<b>Concise, engaging title</b>	<b>Possible techniques:</b> sensory detail / question / memorable wording
<b>Introduction</b>	<b>Context:</b> what the workshop was; who led it; where it took place; why it is worth reviewing <b>Hook:</b> Is traditional craft still worth learning?
<b>Description</b>	<b>Activities:</b> craft demonstration, practical making, <b>Learning focus:</b> history, technique,

Positives	Negatives / Areas for improvement
<b>Idea:</b> making something by hand was satisfying <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Extra idea:</b> artist explained the history clearly <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Idea of your own:</b> <b>Detail / example:</b>	<b>Issue:</b> not enough tools <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>  <b>Another issue:</b> session felt too short <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>

<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Overall opinion:</b> <b>Who would enjoy it most:</b> <b>Final recommendation phrase:</b>
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## Culture and Traditions

Review planning bank: cultural food market

### Exam-style review task

A cultural food market was recently held near your school. Your teacher has asked you to write a review of the market for your school magazine.

Here are some comments about the food market:

'There were dishes from many countries.'  
'The cooking demonstration was brilliant.'

'The prices were not clear.'  
'There were few vegetarian options.'

The comments above may give you some ideas, and you should also use some ideas of your own.

**Write about 120 to 160 words.**

### Planning

Use the comments to organise your review. Add details, examples and one idea of your own.

<b>Concise, engaging title</b>	<b>Possible techniques:</b> sensory detail / inviting question / lively adjective
<b>Introduction</b>	<b>Context:</b> what the market was; where it was held; when you visited; why it is worth reviewing <b>Hook:</b> Was this market a taste of the world?
<b>Description</b>	<b>Key features:</b> food stalls, cooking demonstration, <b>Atmosphere:</b> lively, crowded,

Positives	Negatives / Areas for improvement
<b>Idea:</b> dishes from many countries <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Extra idea:</b> cooking demonstration was brilliant <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Idea of your own:</b> <b>Detail / example:</b>	<b>Issue:</b> prices were not clear <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>  <b>Another issue:</b> few vegetarian options <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>

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