



## Home and Local Area

Review planning bank: local park

### Exam-style review task

A local park near your school has recently been improved. Your teacher has asked you to write a review of the park for your school magazine. Here are some comments about the park:

'The new seating area is comfortable.'

'The walking path is pleasant.'

'There is litter near the entrance.'

'The playground gets crowded.'

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 / inviting question / descriptive adjective
<b>Introduction</b>	<b>Context:</b> what the park is; where it is; when you visited; why it is worth reviewing <b>Hook:</b> Is this park now worth spending time in?
<b>Description</b>	<b>Key features:</b> seating area, walking path, playground, <b>Atmosphere:</b> pleasant, busy,

Positives	Negatives / Areas for improvement
<b>Idea:</b> new seating area is comfortable <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Extra idea:</b> walking path is pleasant <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Idea of your own:</b> <b>Detail / example:</b>	<b>Issue:</b> litter near the entrance <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>   <b>Another issue:</b> playground gets crowded <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: community library

### Exam-style review task

A community library in your local area has recently reopened. Your teacher has asked you to write a review of the library for your school magazine.

Here are some comments about the library:

'The study area is quiet.'

'The staff are welcoming.'

'The computer booking system is confusing.'

'The opening hours are limited.'

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> play on words / question / calm adjective
<b>Introduction</b>	<b>Context:</b> what the library is; where it is; when you visited; why it is worth reviewing <b>Hook:</b> Could this library become a useful study space?
<b>Description</b>	<b>Key features:</b> study area, computers, staff desk, <b>Overall impression:</b> quiet, welcoming,

Positives	Negatives / Areas for improvement
<b>Idea:</b> study area is quiet <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Extra idea:</b> staff are welcoming <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Idea of your own:</b> <b>Detail / example:</b>	<b>Issue:</b> computer booking system is confusing <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>  <b>Another issue:</b> opening hours are limited <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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## Home and Local Area

Review planning bank: local history walk

### Exam-style review task

Your class recently joined a local history walk. Your teacher has asked you to write a review of the walk for your school magazine. Here are some comments about the history walk:

'The guide told interesting stories.'

'The route was too long.'

'The old buildings were impressive.'

'The traffic made it hard to hear.'

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> local detail / question / vivid adjective
<b>Introduction</b>	<b>Context:</b> what the walk was; where it went; who led it; why it is worth reviewing <b>Hook:</b> Can a walk change how you see your local area?
<b>Description</b>	<b>Key features:</b> guide stories, old buildings, route, <b>Atmosphere:</b> interesting, noisy,

Positives	Negatives / Areas for improvement
<b>Idea:</b> guide told interesting stories <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Extra idea:</b> old buildings were impressive <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Idea of your own:</b> <b>Detail / example:</b>	<b>Issue:</b> route was too long <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>  <b>Another issue:</b> traffic made it hard to hear <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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## Home and Local Area

Review planning bank: neighbourhood cafe

### Exam-style review task

A neighbourhood cafe has recently opened near your school. Your teacher has asked you to write a review of the cafe for your school magazine.

Here are some comments about the cafe:

'The hot chocolate is excellent.'

'The decor feels cosy.'

'There are not enough tables.'

'The service can be slow.'

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> inviting image / short question / warm adjective
<b>Introduction</b>	<b>Context:</b> what the cafe is; where it is; when you visited; why it is worth reviewing <b>Hook:</b> Could this become students' favourite local cafe?
<b>Description</b>	<b>Key features:</b> hot chocolate, decor, tables, <b>Atmosphere:</b> cosy, busy,

Positives	Negatives / Areas for improvement
<b>Idea:</b> hot chocolate is excellent <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Extra idea:</b> decor feels cosy <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Idea of your own:</b> <b>Detail / example:</b>	<b>Issue:</b> not enough tables <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>  <b>Another issue:</b> service can be slow <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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