

IGCSE ESL

Resources for exam preparation

Cambridge IGCSE English as a Second Language 0510/0511



Transport and Travel

Review planning bank: school trip coach company

Exam-style review task

Your school recently used a coach company for a trip. Your teacher has asked you to write a review of the service for your school magazine. Here are some comments about the coach company:

'The seats were comfortable.'

'The driver was friendly.'

'The coach arrived late.'

'The air conditioning was weak.'

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.

<i>Concise, engaging title</i>	Possible techniques: direct question / balanced judgement / practical adjective
<i>Introduction</i>	Context: what service you used; where you travelled; when it happened; why it is worth reviewing Hook: Was the journey as good as the destination?
<i>Description</i>	Service features: seats, driver, timing, Comfort: friendly, comfortable,

Positives	Negatives / Areas for improvement
Idea: seats were comfortable Detail / example: Extra idea: driver was friendly Detail / example: Idea of your own: Detail / example:	Issue: coach arrived late Detail / example: Suggestion: Another issue: air conditioning was weak Detail / example: Suggestion:

<i>Recommendation</i>	Overall opinion: Who would enjoy it most: Final recommendation phrase:
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Write your review

Write a review for your school magazine. Cover the comments, add your own ideas and make your opinion clear.

Review title _____

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Transport and Travel

Review planning bank: travel guide app

Exam-style review task

Your class recently tried a travel guide app during a local visit. Your teacher has asked you to write a review of the app for your school magazine.

Here are some comments about the travel guide app:

'The route map was clear.'

'The audio guide was interesting.'

'The app used too much battery.'

'Some information was out of date.'

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.

Concise, engaging title	Possible techniques: play on words / clear judgement / short question
Introduction	Context: what the app is; where you used it; what it does; why it is worth reviewing Hook: Can this app make travel easier?
Description	Key features: route map, audio guide, information, User experience: clear, useful,

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Transport and Travel

Review planning bank: railway museum visit

Exam-style review task

Your class recently visited a railway museum. Your teacher has asked you to write a review of the museum for your school magazine. Here are some comments about the railway museum:

'The old trains were fascinating.'

'The guide told funny stories.'

'The cafe was overpriced.'

'Some signs were hard to follow.'

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.

Concise, engaging title	Possible techniques: historical image / question / vivid adjective
Introduction	Context: what the museum is; where it is; when you visited; why it is worth reviewing Hook: Does the museum bring travel history to life?
Description	Main features: old trains, guide, signs, Atmosphere: historical, lively,

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Review planning bank: airport exhibition

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A small exhibition about air travel has opened in your town. Your teacher has asked you to write a review of the exhibition for your school magazine.

Here are some comments about the airport exhibition:

'The flight simulator was exciting.'

'The safety display was informative.'

'The queue was too long.'

'The room felt 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.

<i>Concise, engaging title</i>	Possible techniques: exciting image / direct question / clear opinion
<i>Introduction</i>	Context: what the exhibition was; where it opened; what you saw; why students might visit Hook: Is this exhibition ready for take-off?
<i>Description</i>	Key features: flight simulator, safety display, queue, Atmosphere: exciting, crowded,

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