

CAMBRIDGE ACADEMIC BOOK 20 – WRITING – TEST 1

WRITING TASK 1

You should spend 20 minutes on this task.

The first table below shows changes in the total population of New York City from 1800 to 2000. The second and third tables show changes in the population of the five districts of the city (Manhattan, Brooklyn, Bronx, Queens, Staten Island) over the same period.

Summarize the information by selecting and reporting the main features and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.

	New York City (all five districts)
Year	Population
1800	79,216
1900	3,437,202
2000	8,009,185

	Manhattan	
Year	Population	As percentage (%) of total population
1800	60,515	76%
1900	1,850,093	54%
2000	1,538,096	19%

	Other districts (Brooklyn, Bronx, Queens, Staten Island)	
Year	Population	As percentage (%) of total population
1800	18,701	24%
1900	1,587,109	46%
2000	6,471,089	81%

WRITING TASK 2

You should spend 40 minutes on this task.

Write about the following topic.

Access to clean water is a basic human right. Therefore every home should have a water supply that is provided free of charge.

Do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your knowledge or experience.

You should write at least 250 words.

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WRITING TASK 1

You should spend 20 minutes on this task.

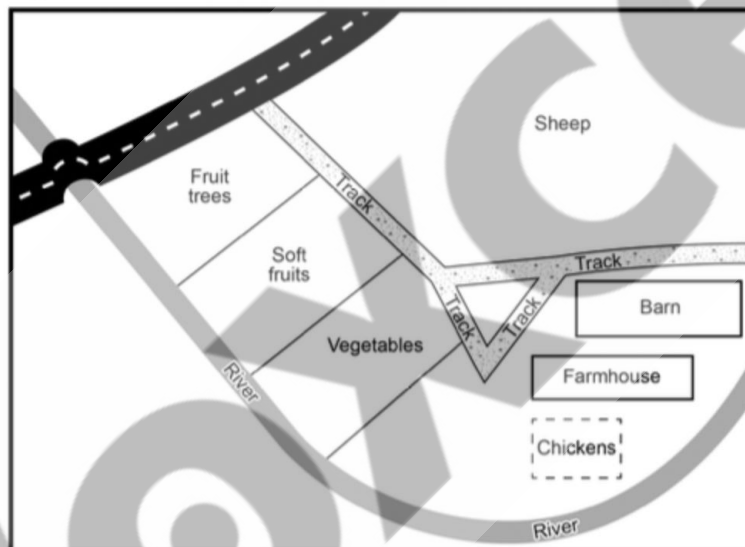
The plans below show the site of a farm in 1950 and the same site today.

Summarize the information by selecting and reporting the main features and make comparisons where relevant.

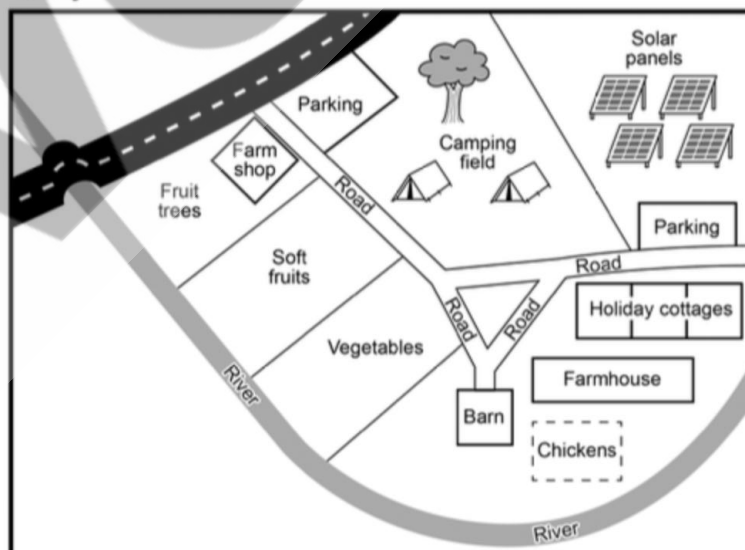
Write at least 150 words.

Beechwood Farm

1950



Today



WRITING TASK 2

You should spend 40 minutes on this task.

Write about the following topic.

In many countries, primary and secondary schools close for two months or more in the summer holidays.

What is the value of long school holidays?

What are the arguments in favour of shorter school holidays?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your knowledge or experience.

You should write at least 250 words.

CAMBRIDGE ACADEMIC BOOK 20 – WRITING – TEST 3

WRITING TASK 1

You should spend 20 minutes on this task.

The charts below give information about a public library in a town called Little Chalfont.

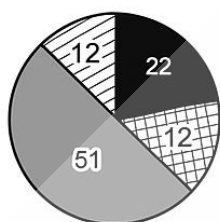
Summarize the information by selecting and reporting the main features and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.

Little Chalfont Library

Age of library members (2016)

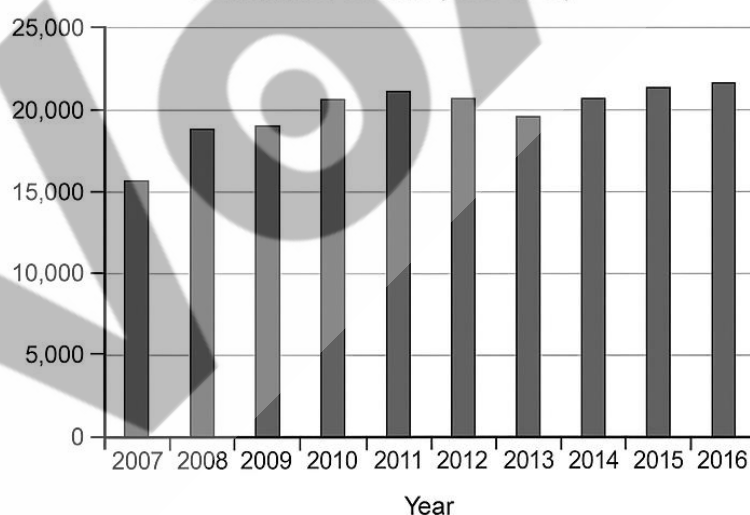
Children
 Young adults 13–17
 Adults 18–64
 Adults 65 and over



Total loans by category (2016)

Children's fiction	38%
Children's non-fiction	6%
Children's DVDs	1%
Young adults	2%
Adult fiction	38%
Adult non-fiction	13%
Adult audio books	2%

Total number of loans (2007–2016)



WRITING TASK 2

You should spend 40 minutes on this task.

Write about the following topic.

Some people have decided to reduce the number of times they fly every year or to stop flying altogether.

Do you think the environmental benefits of this development outweigh the disadvantages for individuals and businesses?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your knowledge or experience.

You should write at least 250 words.

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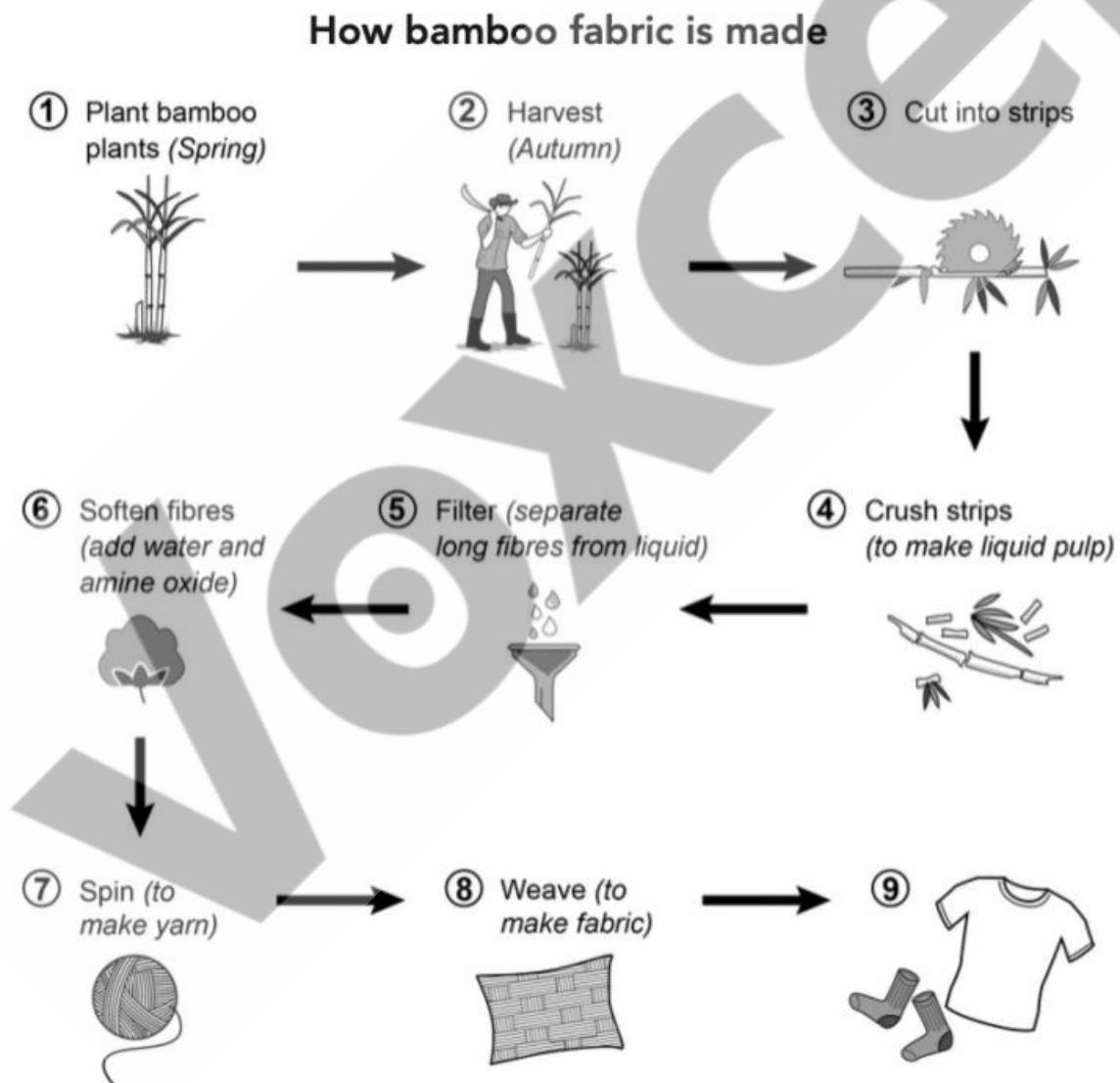
WRITING TASK 1

You should spend 20 minutes on this task.

The diagram below shows how fabric is manufactured from bamboo.

Summarize the information by selecting and reporting the main features and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.



WRITING TASK 2

You should spend 40 minutes on this task.

Write about the following topic.

Many aspects of the way people dress today are influenced by global fashion trends.

How has global fashion become such a strong influence on people's lives?

Do you think this is a positive or negative development?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your knowledge or experience.

You should write at least 250 words.