

IELTS Writing

Subjects for Paragraphs 3 & 4: Worksheet W12

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Organising paragraphs 3 and 4

The detailed paragraphs (3 and 4) must have a clear topic – with a logical division between the two paragraphs.

Usually this will help with the selection of the main points for paragraph 2.

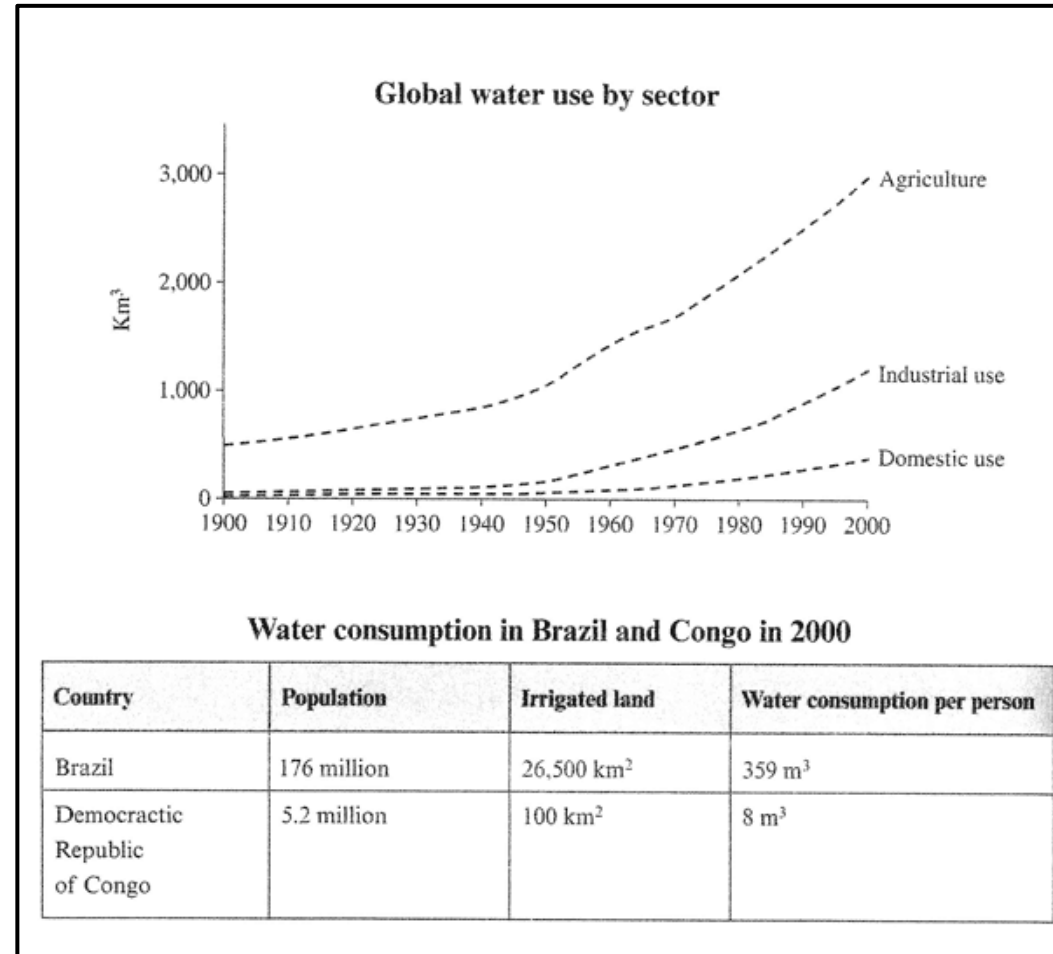
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The graph and table give information about water use worldwide and water consumption in two different countries.

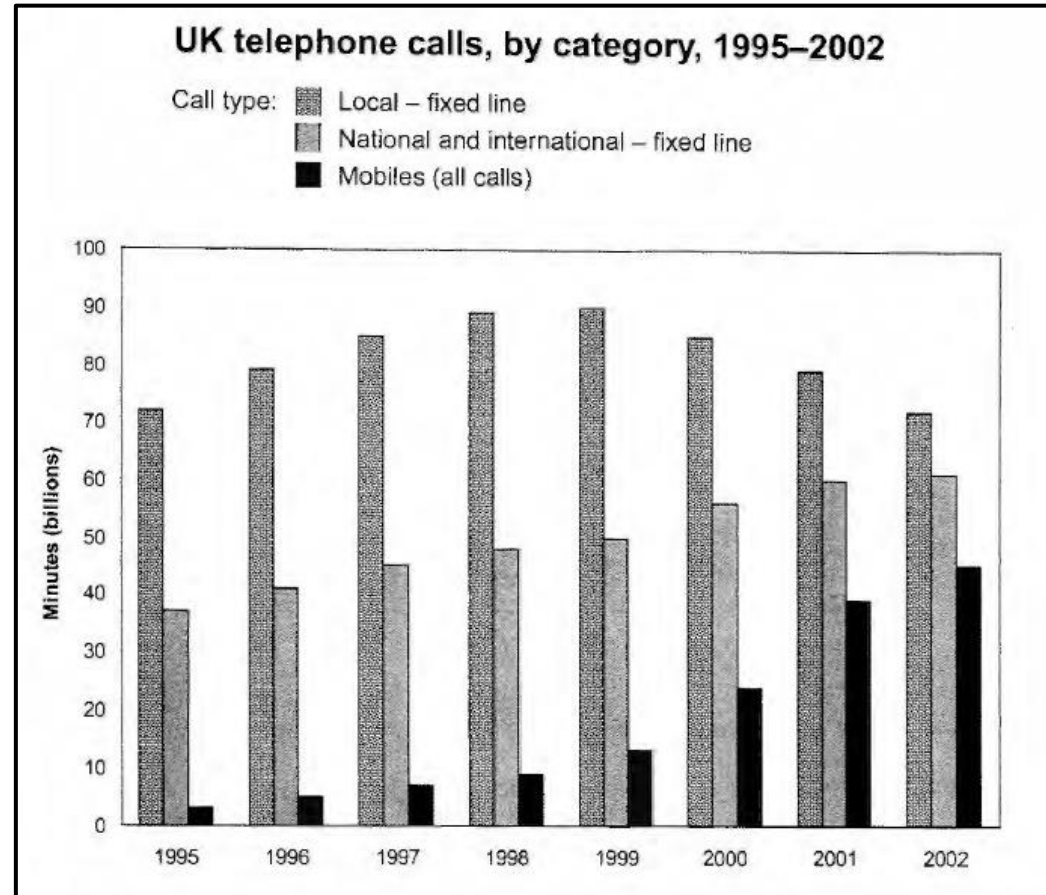


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Q5

The chart shows the total number of minutes (in billions) of telephone calls in the UK, divided into three categories, from 1995-2002.



Q3

The table gives information on consumer spending on different items in five different countries in 2002.

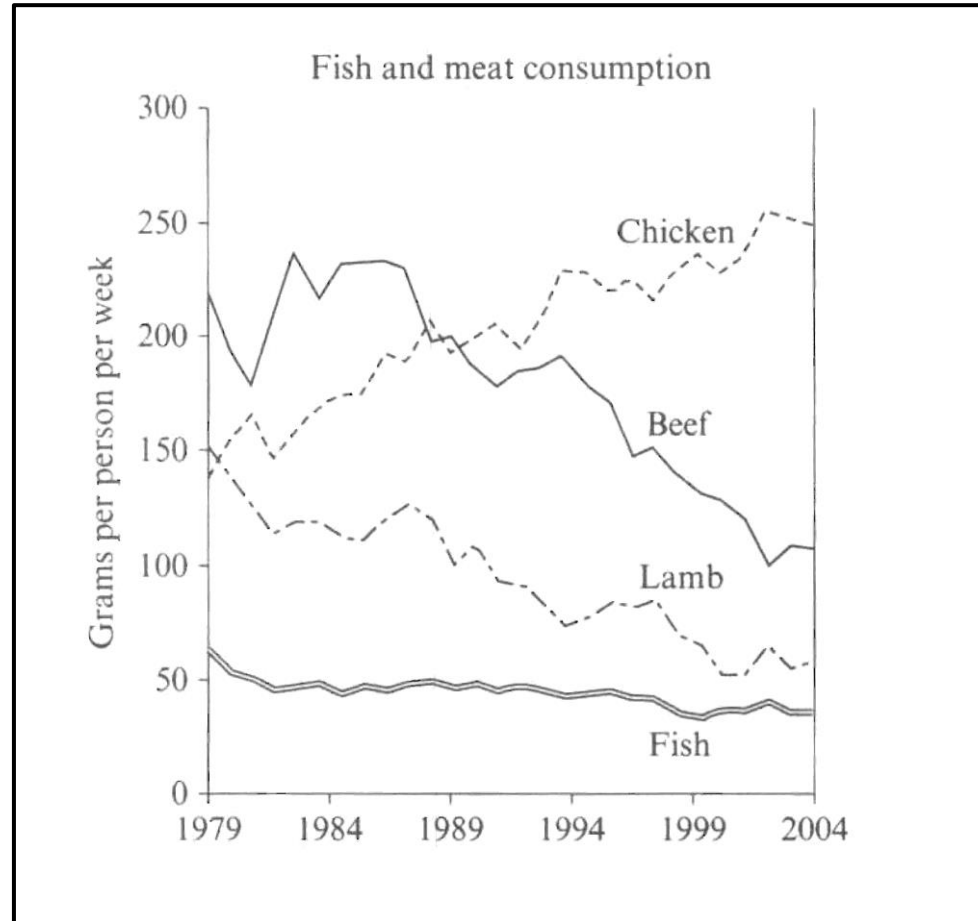
Country	Food/Drinks/ Tobacco	Clothing/ Footwear	Leisure/ Education
Ireland	28.91%	6.43%	2.21%
Italy	16.36%	9.00%	3.20%
Spain	18.80%	6.51%	1.98%
Sweden	15.77%	5.40%	3.22%
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Q20

The graph shows the consumption of fish and some different kinds of meat in a European country between 1979 and 2004.

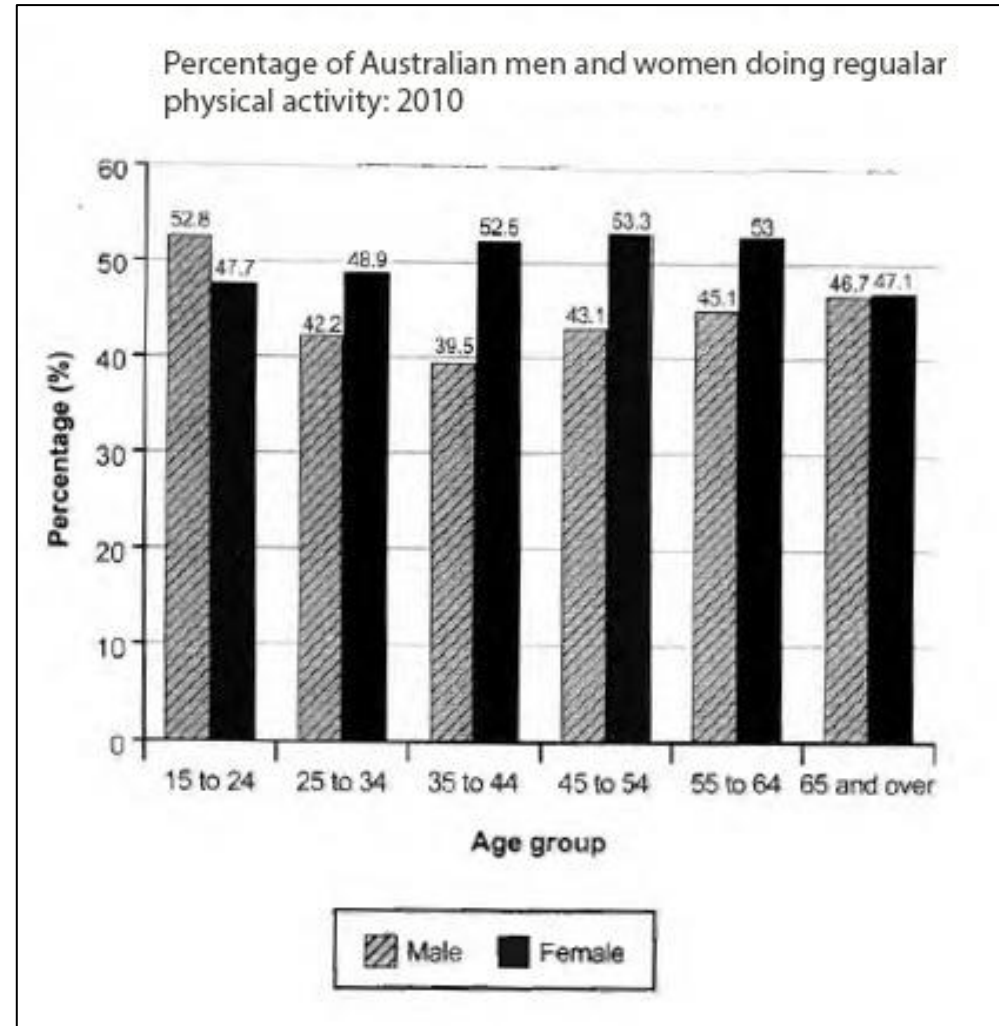


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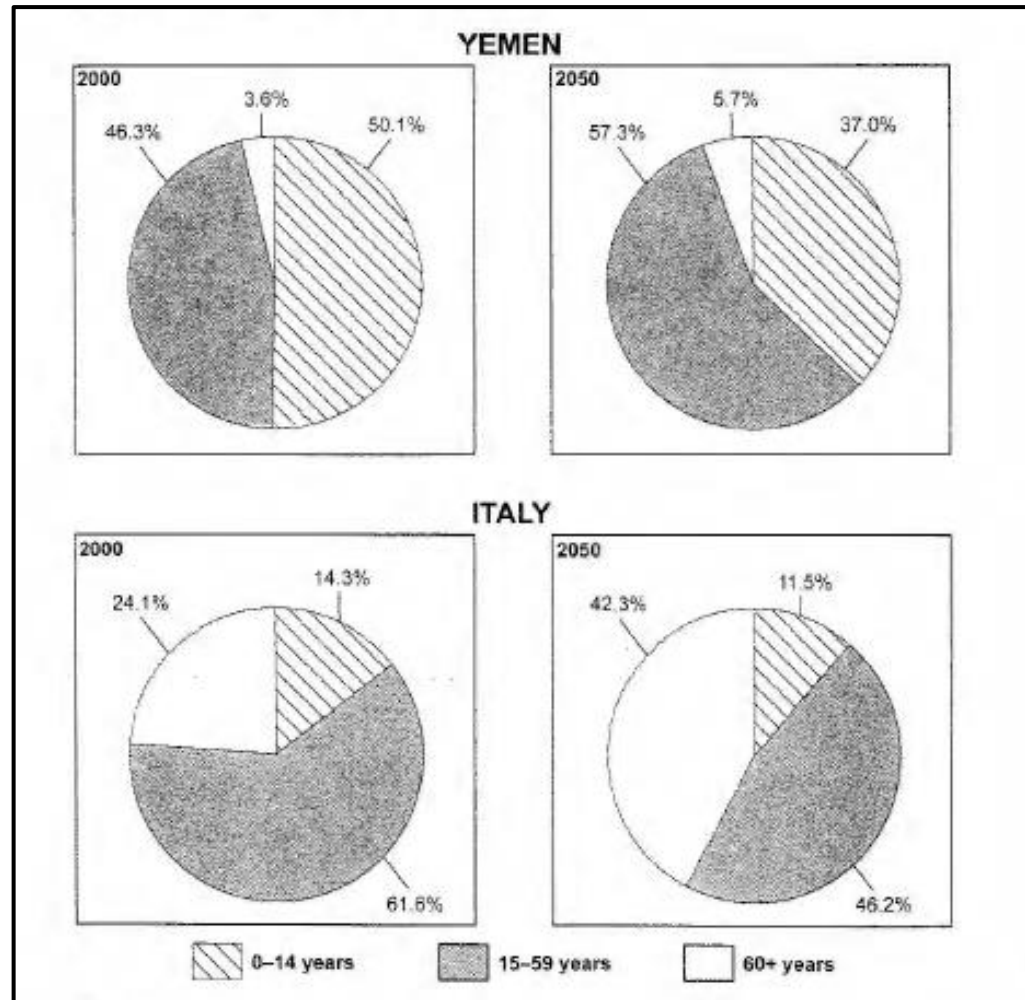
Q8

The bar chart shows the percentage of Australian men and women in different age groups who did regular physical activity in 2010.



Q6

The charts give information on the population of Yemen and Italy in 2000 and projections for 2050.

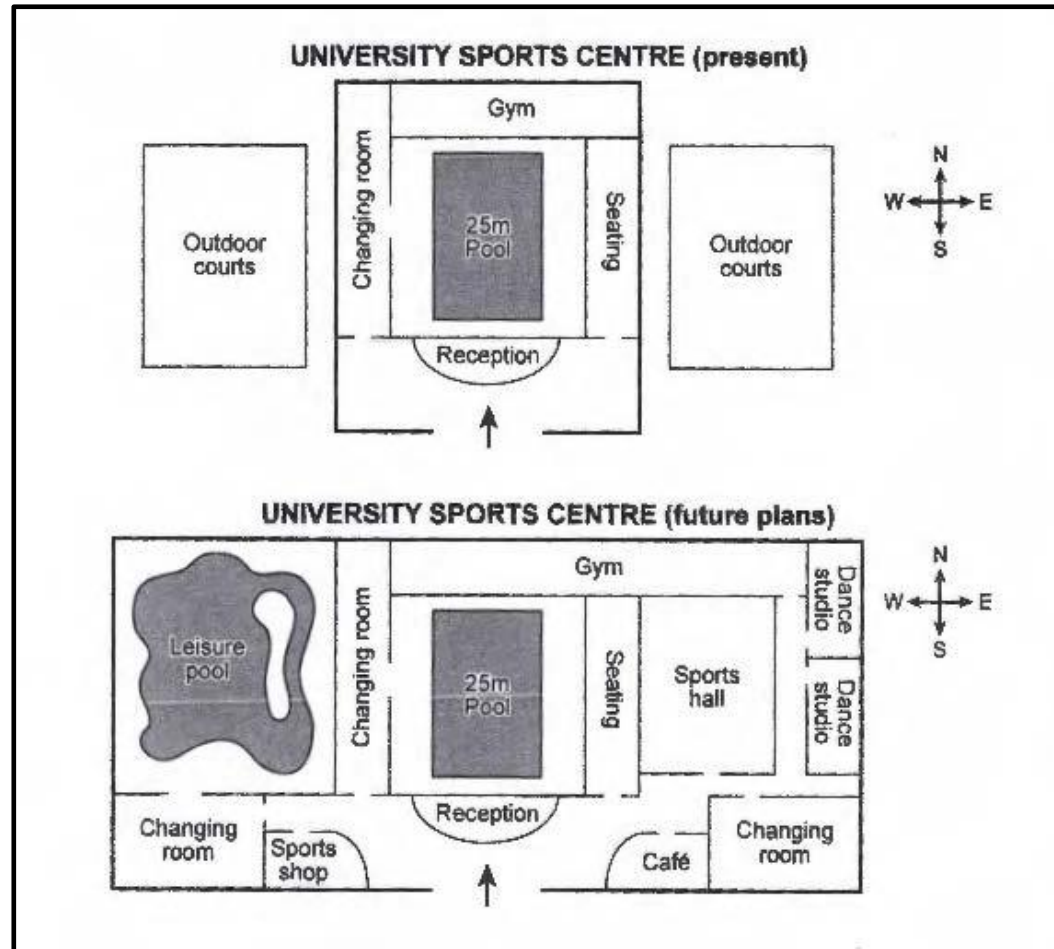


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Q15

The plans show the layout of a university's sports centre now, and how it will look after redevelopment.



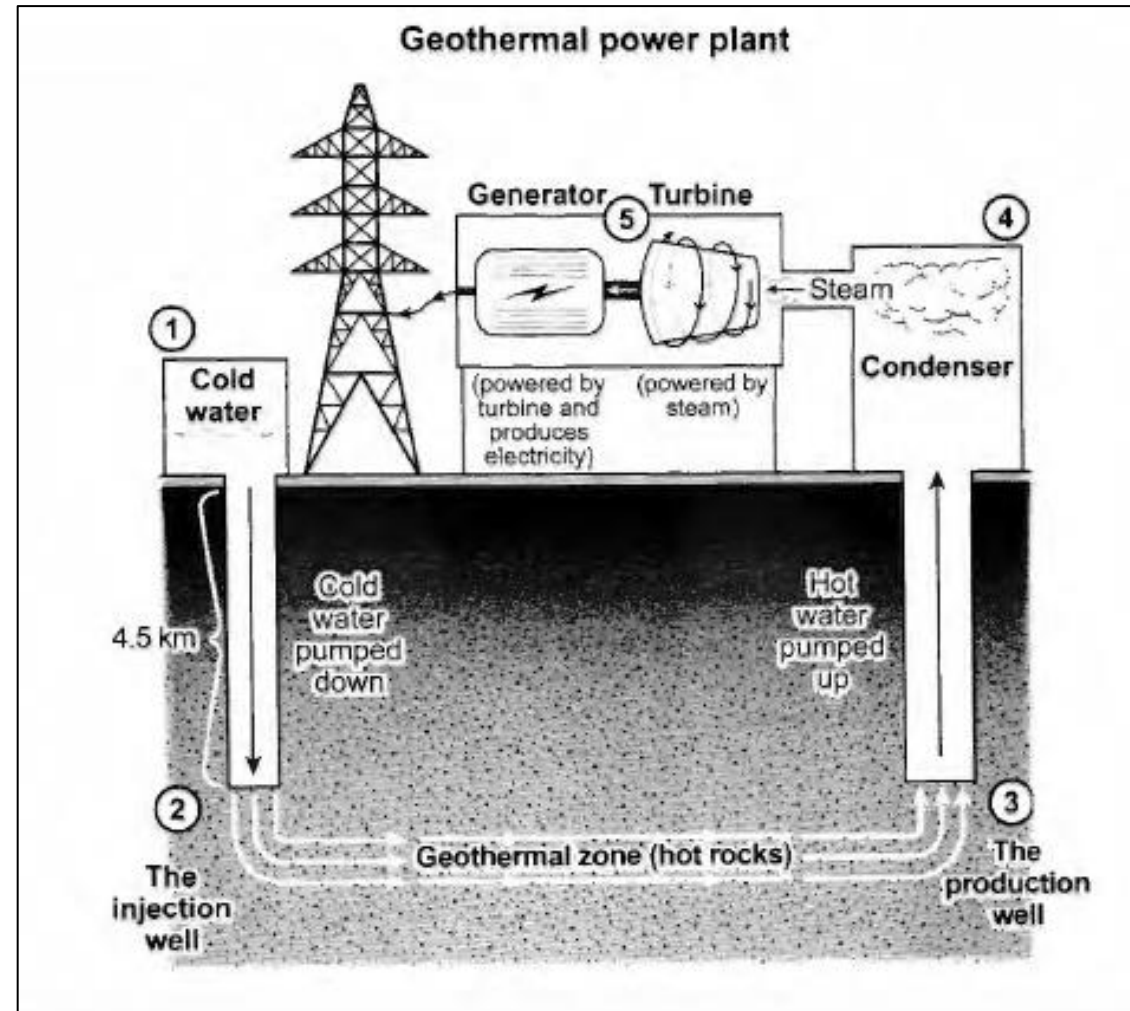
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6. **Two sections / phases** (stages can be used for within each phase) (especially process) (3) phase 1 before key point (4) phase 2 after key point

Note: Some of these categories overlap, and more than one option is often possible

Q10

The diagram shows how geothermal energy is used to produce electricity.



Note: it is important to apply the guides thoughtfully.

Sometimes you must think carefully about the reasonable division between P3 and P4:

Q22

The charts show the average percentages in typical meals of three types of nutrients, all of which may be unhealthy if eaten too much.

