



Writing an Essay

Exercise 5

TASK 1

Answer the following questions:

1. How do you usually prepare for exams?
2. Do you think it is a good idea to have a rest a couple of days before the exam instead of studying?
3. Imagine that you have two days before an important exam. Make a list of 5 things you would like to do within this period.

TASK 2

a) *Read the task below. What kind of a short essay is required?*

- for and against essay
- opinion essay
- essay suggesting solutions to a problem

b) *Write your answer to the task.*

Part 4 (30 minutes)

Writing

Comment on the following statement:

Having a rest is the best way to prepare for an exam.

In your comment use the information from the article below.

Write **100–120 words**.

Remember to

- make an introduction,
- express your personal opinion on the statement and give reasons for your opinion,
- express your attitude towards the information from the article,
- make a conclusion.

Write in your own words.

Mrs Thom, a primary school teacher preparing her class for the upcoming SATs has found a novel way to relieve the pressure by setting an unusual set of 'homework' tasks. She made a list of fun things for her Year 6 pupils* to take their minds off the exams.

J3 Homework for Monday 9th May

We are now in the last couple of days before SATs and it is vital that you use your time this weekend wisely. This is your homework for this weekend. Please complete as many of these activities as possible and tick to say they have been done.

- go on a bike / scooter ride;
- read a book;
- watch your favourite TV programme;
- smile;
- eat an ice-cream;
- spend time with people you love;
- laugh until your tummy hurts;
- go outside and enjoy the weather;
- go for a swim or a walk;
- spend time on your favourite hobby;
- do something you have never done before.

She also said, 'If you feel you have to, you may revise, BUT you can only do this for a maximum of one hour total.'

*the children are about 11 years old