

Test 4

WRITING

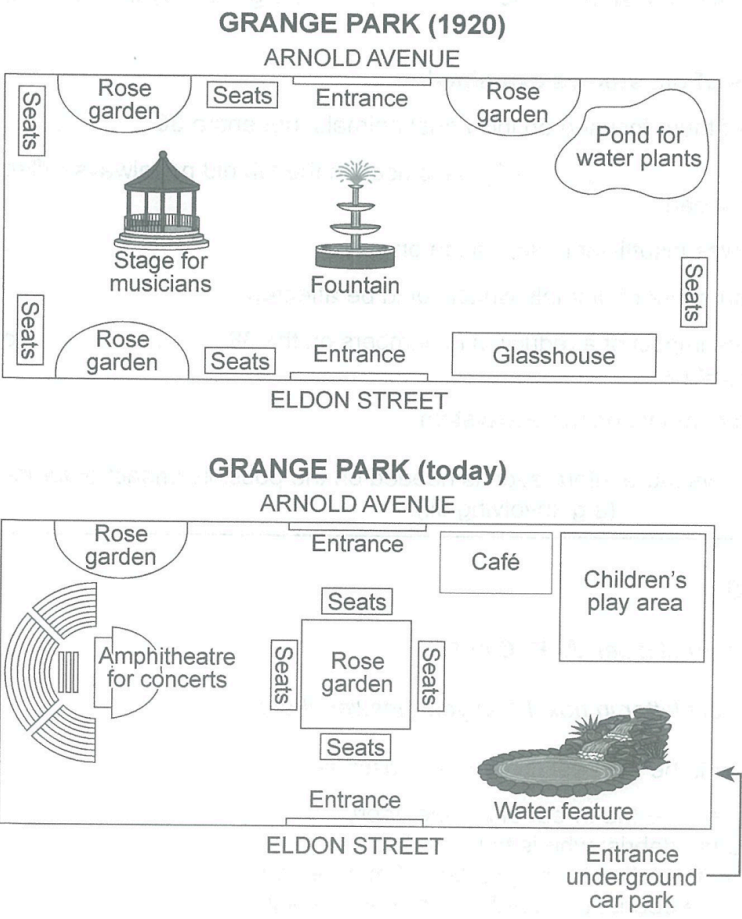
WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

*The plans below show a public park when it first opened in 1920 and the same park today.*

*Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.*

Write at least 150 words.



## Model Answer A

This is an example of a very good (but long!) answer.

Fill in the blanks with the words from the box below.

The answers are below the activity.

replaced by	altered considerably	Similarly	in its place	occupying
Despite	access from	with the addition of	situated	the edges of
	stood	retains	remains	nearby
			via	

Grange Park was opened in 1920 as a rectangular area with \_\_\_\_\_ Arnold Avenue on the north side and from Eldon Street on the south side. There was a fountain in the centre, with a stage for musicians \_\_\_\_\_ centre left, a glasshouse on the right of the Eldon Street entrance and a pond for water plants in the north-east corner opposite. Around \_\_\_\_\_ the park, there were rose gardens with seats nearby for people to enjoy the flowers and listen to music.

The park has \_\_\_\_\_ since then, and now there is one large-ish rose garden \_\_\_\_\_ the central area where the fountain \_\_\_\_\_ with seats all around it. One of the smaller rose gardens \_\_\_\_\_ on the north side of the park. The bandstand (stage for musicians) has also been \_\_\_\_\_ an amphitheater for concerts and has associated seating. The glasshouse has gone and \_\_\_\_\_ is a water feature. \_\_\_\_\_, where the pond for water plants stood, there is now a children's play area with a café \_\_\_\_\_. Access to the park is still \_\_\_\_\_ the two original entrances, but there is now a third entrance near the water feature from an underground car park.

\_\_\_\_\_ the apparently significant changes, the park \_\_\_\_\_ the basic elements of flowers, water, seating and music, \_\_\_\_\_ a café and a children's play area.

(232 words)

## ANSWERS Model Answer A

Grange Park was opened in 1920 as a rectangular area with **access from** Arnold Avenue on the north side and from Eldon Street on the south side. There was a fountain in the centre, with a stage for musicians

**situated** centre left, a glasshouse on the right of the Eldon Street entrance and a pond for water plants in the north-east corner opposite. Around **the edges of** the park, there were rose gardens with seats nearby for people to enjoy the flowers and listen to music.

The park has **altered considerably** since then, and now there is one large-ish rose garden **occupying** the central area where the fountain **stood** with seats all around it. One of the smaller rose gardens **remains** on the north side of the park. The bandstand (stage for musicians) has also been **replaced by** an amphitheater for concerts and has associated seating. The glasshouse has gone and **in its place** is a water feature.

**Similarly**, where the pond for water plants stood, there is now a children's play area with a café **nearby**.

Access to the park is still **via** the two original entrances, but there is now a third entrance near the water feature from an underground car park.

**Despite** the apparently significant changes, the park **retains** the basic elements of flowers, water, seating and music, **with the addition of** a café and a children's play area.

(232 words)

### **Model Answer B**

The maps detail the changes since 1920 to today of Grand Park. Looking from an overall perspective, it is readily apparent that the park added and expanded areas mainly related to entertainment including a larger stage and various areas for recreation. There was also significant relocation in terms of seating and the only areas that remained the same were the entrances and one minor garden.

The most striking change is in the center of the park where the fountain has been removed in favour of a rose garden with full seating around it. To the left of the new garden, the previous stage for musicians has been turned into a much larger amphitheatre facing the opposite direction that will allow for concerts in the park. This change has necessitated the removal of both seating on the far left side as well as the rose garden in the bottom left corner of the map.

The entrances at the top and bottom in the middle have remained unchanged but on the right side a cafe has replaced the rose garden and where there was a pond for water plants in the top right corner, there is now a children's play area. Instead of the pond, a water feature has been built occupying the bottom right corner

(replacing a glasshouse and some seats). Finally, leading to the water park is a new entrance for an underground car park.

### **IELTS Examiner Sample Answer Analysis**

**1.** The maps detail the changes since 1920 to today of Grand Park. **2.** Looking from an overall perspective, it is readily apparent that the park added and expanded areas mainly related to entertainment including a larger stage and various areas for recreation. **3.** There was also significant relocation in terms of seating and the only areas that remained the same were the entrances and one minor garden.

**1. The first sentence paraphrases what map is showing – write this sentence very quickly because it hardly affects your score at all!**

**2-3. Then is my overview for the map. For a map, don't list all the changes and don't include any opinion. Instead, try to group and describe/define the changes. It is very similar to the overview for a process.**

**1.** The most striking change is in the center of the park where the fountain has been removed in favour of a rose garden with full seating around it. **2.** To the left of the new garden, the previous stage for musicians has been turned into a much larger amphitheatre facing the opposite direction that will allow for concerts in the park. **3.** This change has necessitated the removal of both seating on the far left side as well as the rose garden in the bottom left corner of the map.

**1. The first sentence focuses on the fountain in the centre. Try to choose a logical area to start and then expand from there so that your writing has a natural structure and it helps your cohesion/coherence score.**

**2. My second sentence describes the major changes next to the fountain.**

**3. The third sentence concludes the paragraph by describing some other related areas of the map.**

**1.** The entrances at the top and bottom in the middle have remained unchanged but on the right side a cafe has replaced the rose garden and where there was a pond for water plants in the top right corner, there is now a children's play area. **2.** Instead of the pond, a water feature has been built occupying the bottom right corner (replacing a glasshouse and some seats). **3.** Finally, leading to the water park is a new entrance for an underground car park.

**1. My first sentence looks at the areas that didn't change and the areas next to those that did change. Always compare the two maps!**

2. The second sentence describes the water feature in the corner and what it replaced.

3. My final sentence talks about the only other areas I didn't mention. Be sure to talk about everything on the map.

### Sample Answer Vocabulary

*What do the words in bold mean? If you're not sure, don't use a dictionary – try to figure out the meaning from the whole sentence then check your answers below!*

The maps **detail** the changes since 1920 to today of Grand Park. Looking from an overall perspective, it is readily apparent that the park added and **expanded** areas **mainly related to** entertainment including a larger stage and various areas for recreation. There was also **significant relocation in terms of** seating and the only areas that remained the same were the entrances and one **minor** garden.

**The most striking change** is in the center of the park where the fountain has been removed **in favour of** a rose garden with full seating around it. To the left of the new garden, the **previous** stage for musicians has been **turned into** a much larger amphitheatre **facing the opposite direction** that will **allow for** concerts in the park. This change has **necessitated** the removal of both seating on the far left side **as well as** the rose garden in the bottom left corner of the map.

The entrances at the top and bottom in the middle have remained unchanged but on the right side a cafe has **replaced** the rose garden and where there was a pond for water plants in the top right corner, there is now a children's play area. Instead of the pond, a water feature has been built **occupying** the bottom right corner (replacing a glasshouse and some seats). Finally, **leading to** the water park is a new entrance for an underground car park.

### Answers:

**detail:** describes/illustrates

**expanded:** make larger

**mainly related to:** mostly about

**significant relocation in terms of:** big move to

**minor:** small

**The most striking change:** biggest difference

**in favour of:** in order to have

**previous:** prior

**turned into:** becomes

**facing the opposite direction:** looking the other way

**allow for:** makes it possible for

**necessitated:** makes it possible

**as well as:** and

**replaced:** takes the place of

**occupying:** in the place of

**leading to:** going towards

## Vocabulary Practice

**Remember and fill in the blanks.**

The maps \_\_\_\_\_ the changes since 1920 to today of Grand Park. Looking from an overall perspective, it is readily apparent that the park added and \_\_\_\_\_ areas \_\_\_\_\_ entertainment including a larger stage and various areas for recreation. There was also \_\_\_\_\_ seating and the only areas that remained the same were the entrances and one \_\_\_\_\_ garden. \_\_\_\_\_ is in the center of the park where the fountain has been removed \_\_\_\_\_ a rose garden with full seating around it. To the left of the new garden, the \_\_\_\_\_ stage for musicians has been \_\_\_\_\_ a much larger amphitheatre \_\_\_\_\_ that will \_\_\_\_\_ concerts in the park. This change has \_\_\_\_\_ the removal of both seating on the far left side \_\_\_\_\_ the rose garden in the bottom left corner of the map.

The entrances at the top and bottom in the middle have remained unchanged but on the right side a cafe has \_\_\_\_\_ the rose garden and where there was a pond for water plants in the top right corner, there is now a children's play area. Instead of the pond, a water feature has been built \_\_\_\_\_ the bottom right corner (replacing a glasshouse and some seats). Finally, \_\_\_\_\_ the water park is a new entrance for an underground car park.

## Model Answer C

<https://www.ieltsetc.com/2019/05/ielts-writing-changes-plan/>

= Lesson on how to write an answer to this question.

## Model Answer D

The maps illustrate Grange Park in between Arnold Avenue and Eldon Street during its initial opening in 1920 and at present.

Overall, we can see that there were drastic changes over the time period such as the fountain being replaced by rose garden, the stage for musicians by an amphitheatre for concerts, and the pond for water plants by a children's play area. Minor modifications have also been done around the park to make it look what it does today.

Firstly, it is noticeable that the **water fountain** at the center was remodeled into a rose garden, *which is* surrounded by seats. The **stage** to the left of the fountain was developed into an amphitheater *where* concerts are held, *whereas* the pond is now an area where children can play. The **glasshouse** has also been removed *and* turned into a water display.

It can be noticed that the seats around Grange Park have been removed, and today, it already has an underground car park *whose* entrance can be found in the south-east of the park.

(175 words)

### Model Answer E

The plans show differences of a public park between 1920 and now. Overall, there is a replacement of most of the structures and a rearrangement of gardens and seats in the park.

In 1920, visitors entered the park via 2 entrances on Arnold Avenue and Eldon Street. Nowadays, there are no changes for the 2 main entrances, but there is a new entrance through an underground car park.

In the middle of the park there was a fountain which then was demolished, and there was a stage for musicians with 2 rose gardens and several seats surrounding on the right side. The stage was replaced with an amphitheater for concerts while 1 rose garden and seats were rearranged to the middle of the park.

On the left side, a glasshouse was built alongside Eldon Street, but now it has been replaced with a water feature. A rose garden and a pond for water plants next to Arnold Avenue were converted into a cafe and a children's play area.

(164 words)

### Model Answer F

The plans show the changes have been made around the Grange Park between 1920 and today.

Overall, it is clear that there have been several changes: the Fountain situated in the middle of the park and the Stage for musicians located in the left of the park have been removed, while, a new Water feature was constructed in the right of the park.

Looking at the plans more closely, one can see that the rose gardens of the northeast and the southwest have been moved into the center of the park except for the northwest rose garden. Likewise, the seats situated at the north and south ends have been shifted to the middle of the park. In addition, the Musicians stage has been replaced with the Amphitheatre for concerts. Moreover, the Pond for water plants has taken over the Children's play area. Finally, the glass house no longer exists, and a new entrance for car parking has been constructed underground.

(160 words)