

Academic IELTS: Urbanisation

Introduction

Give a brief outline of what the diagram represents including all the factual information given (what/when/where etc)

iPass tip – make sure you study each diagram carefully before you start writing, including the timeline, and think about the correct verb tenses you will need to describe each one.

Paragraph 1

Describe how the area was in 1962 (highlight the difference between 1962 and today, eg, no transport links)

iPass tip – use appropriate passive structures to describe the changes that **were made** to the area. This also creates a more formal and business-like style of writing which is essential in academic reports.

Paragraph 2

Describe the first stage of development (between 1962 - 1985). Use the **past simple passive** to describe the changes. (was built / were constructed)

Paragraph 3

Describe the second stage of development (between 1985 - present). Use the **present perfect passive**. (has been built / have been developed)

iPass tip – make sure you highlight the key differences between Meadowside in 1962 and Meadowside today.

Conclusion / Overview

Sum up your overall observation (how has the village transformed / is the transformation complete?)