

SCHOOL OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES WRITING ASSESSMENT CRITERIA FOR PRE-INTERMEDIATE LEVEL

	CONTENT (6)	ORGANIZATION (6)	VOCABULARY (5)	GRAMMAR (5)	MECHANICS (3)
1	 No relevance to the given topic or task not attempted No development of ideas 	Completely disorganizedNo unity and coherence	No level-appropriate vocabulary Poor knowledge of words and word forms	Serious lack of language No attempt to use learned structures	No/very low control over spelling, punctuation, capitalization, and paragraph indentation
2	Considerably irrelevant to the given topic Shows little knowledge of subject	 Disorganized (i.e., main idea or topic sentence is not provided) Serious disorganization Mostly incoherent; ideas and examples are disconnected / almost no signal or linking words 	 A limited range of level-appropriate vocabulary. Most of them are inaccurate or irrelevant Translation-based errors 	 The language is rarely clear Significant defects in the use of even basic structures Frequent errors in agreement, number, tense, negation, word order, articles, pronouns, prepositions 	Occasional errors in spelling, punctuation, capitalization, paragraph indentation, etc., which do not interfere with meaning
3	Inadequate coverage of the topic with inappropriate and/or insufficient ideas and examples	 Inadequately organized (i.e., badly expressed or misplaced sentences, insufficient supporting ideas/very short details/ no topic sentence / introduction or conclusion. Considerably incoherent; ideas are not well connected 	 Some use of varied word choice that is relevant to the content Frequent word errors; inappropriate choice and usage 	Few examples of learned structures Frequent mistakes in using appropriate grammatical structures, which cause problems in conveying the message	•Almost no errors in conventions of spelling, punctuation, capitalization, paragraph indentation, etc.
4	•Adequate coverage of the topic, but addresses the topic using somewhat appropriate and/or sufficient ideas	 Adequately organized (i.e., an existing but weak topic sentence, inadequate development of supporting ideas or a weak introduction /concluding sentence) A coherent and fluent task in general sense; ideas flow meaningfully and logically but may contain some redundancy and some unclear connections 	 Adequate range of level- appropriate vocabulary that is relevant to the content Some errors of word/idiom choice, but effective transmission of meaning 	No major difficulties in the use of appropriate grammatical structures Some problems in the use of complex constructions	
5	Good coverage of the topic with relevant, clear, appropriate, and sufficient ideas and examples	 Generally well-organized (sufficiently developed topic sentence / body part/concluding sentence) Coherent and fluent task ideas generally flow meaningfully and logically 	 A wide range of level- appropriate vocabulary that is relevant to the content is used effectively and accurately throughout the task. Very few mistakes in the word choice 	A wide range of learned structures effectively and accurately in the whole task Hardly any grammatical mistakes causing problem in conveying the message	
6	 Very good coverage of the topic Fully developed task with very good justification 	 Well-organized (i.e., a good introduction with a strong topic sentence which contains the main idea, fully developed supporting ideas, and a good concluding sentence) Very coherent and fluent task with appropriate linking/signal words. 			