

Writing Section (30%)

Planning (10 minutes) – Writing (40 minutes)

You are going to write an essay of between 300 to 350 words in response to the prompt below.

To what extent do you agree with the following statement?

**Sports should be an essential part of people's life.**

- Before writing your essay, you have 10 minutes to write a plan on the opposite page.
- In your planning time, make sure that you:
  - organize your ideas into separate, well-structured paragraphs,
  - fully develop your ideas by giving reasons, justifications, examples, etc.,
  - use a formal, academic style,
  - use a good range of structures and vocabulary and use them accurately
- Your notes on the planning sheet will **not** be graded.
- You will be graded according to:
  - how clearly you explain your ideas,
  - how fully you develop your ideas,
  - your use of language