

# IELTS Academic

Writing Module — Academic Version • Practice Paper 07

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## INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not open this question paper until you are told to do so.
- Write your name and candidate number in the spaces at the top of this page.
- All answers must be written in the answer booklet provided. Do not write in the margins.
- This paper contains two tasks. You must complete **both** tasks.
- Task 1 requires at least 150 words. Task 2 requires at least 250 words.
- The total time allowed is 60 minutes. It is recommended to spend 20 minutes on Task 1 and 40 minutes on Task 2.
- Task 2 carries twice as many marks as Task 1.

## ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Task Achievement / Response	25%
Coherence and Cohesion	25%
Lexical Resource	25%
Grammatical Range and Accuracy	25%

## BAND SCORE DESCRIPTORS (Writing)

<b>Band 9</b> <b>Expert user</b> rare and sophisticated usage	<b>Band 6</b> <b>Competent user</b> some inaccuracies in complex language
<b>Band 8</b> <b>Very good user</b> occasional unsystematic errors	<b>Band 5</b> <b>Modest user</b> frequent problems with accuracy
<b>Band 7</b> <b>Good user</b> occasional mistakes, handles complex ideas	<b>Band 4</b> <b>Limited user</b> basic communication only, many errors

# WRITING TASK 1

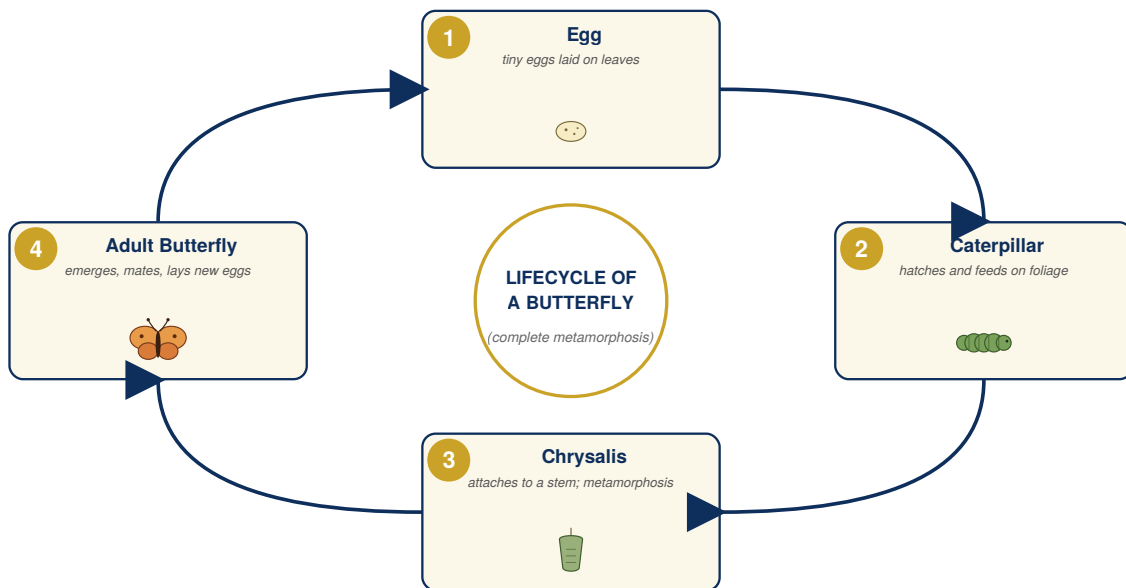
Lifecycle Diagram ■ Recommended: 20 minutes ✎ Minimum: 150 words

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The diagram below illustrates the four main stages in the lifecycle of a typical butterfly, a process known as **complete metamorphosis**.

Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features of the process.

## The Lifecycle of a Butterfly — Complete Metamorphosis



Source: adapted from a Royal Entomological Society educational illustration.

**KEY FEATURES TO DESCRIBE** The cycle is continuous, with the adult laying eggs that begin the next generation · The first three stages (egg, caterpillar, chrysalis) are stationary or low-mobility · The most dramatic transformation occurs inside the chrysalis · Only at stage 4 can the insect fly, feed on nectar, and reproduce

# TASK 1 — ANSWER SHEET

Write your answer in the space below. An answer written in this space will be marked.

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## WRITING TASK 2

Effects & Evaluation Essay ■ Recommended: 40 minutes ✎ Minimum: 250 words

**You should spend about 40 minutes on this task.**

Write about the following topic:

In many countries, young children now spend a substantial amount of their daily time using smartphones, tablets, and other personal screen devices — often before they learn to read. and educators are divided over what this means for the way children grow up, and paediatricians have begun to weigh in on both sides of the debate.

**How is this affecting children's development, and is it a positive or negative trend overall?**

### PLANNING GUIDANCE

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience. This question requires a description of **effects** (cognitive, social, physical, educational) *and* a clear **evaluation** of whether those effects, on balance, are positive or negative. A response that lists effects without committing to an overall judgement, or that delivers a verdict without grounding it in specific effects, will be penalised under Task Response. State your position in the introduction and reaffirm it in the conclusion. Examiners reward analytical depth and a coherent line of argument over the sheer number of points raised.

### TASK 2 — ANSWER SHEET

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