

**Scott's English Success:
- General Training: Writing Task 1 Feedback -**



Question:

You are living in an English-speaking country and want to arrange some English lessons to help with your job. You notice an advertisement for an English teacher who lives nearby.

Write a letter to the local teacher. In your letter:

- *explain where you saw the advertisement*
- *say what and why you want to study*
- *suggest where and when you would like to study*

Your Answer:

Dear Mr. **John**

I saw your English speaking advertisement in a local **news paper** classified column. **i** saw that **you written** in advertisement that anybody can learn English within one month.

I am very excited to join **to** this one month course because as in my **daily routine job** work **i** am **facing lot** of difficulties. As I am working in a **Hotel** as a waiter, **so** I am daily dealing/interacting with local peoples who **speaks** very fluently, so I **faced** lots of communication **problem which effecting on** my job performance. **so** this is the main **reasons** that I want to take this course. **please** let me know your available time to teach me, generally **i** can come daily for 3 hours in the morning session at your coaching center **if you comfortable**. **So** kindly let me know accordingly, **i** am waiting for favorable response.

thanks

your sincerely

tom (word count: 147)

| Did you answer the question? | Did your ideas flow from one to the next? Was your meaning clear? | Did you use suitable words? | Was your grammar okay? |
|--|--|---|--|
| Average. Although your purpose for writing the letter was presented, at times, your purpose became unclear. Also, at times, your tone was inappropriate and you did not suitably cover the bullet points. | Generally, your flow from one idea to the next was consistent. You need to work on improving your referencing and linking words. It can be helpful to write one paragraph/bullet point. Make sure you don't overuse any phrases/words. | A limited range of vocabulary. You used only basic expression which was generally clear and understandable. Because of the way you used some words, some parts of your answer were difficult to fully understand. Watch your spelling. | Some of your grammatical errors, made parts of your answer difficult to follow. This means that your meaning was not clear in some places. Study our sample answers to improve. You're not far away from 6.0 in this category. |

Additional Comments:

A good try. To achieve 6.0 or higher, you will need to improve your vocabulary range and accuracy as well as your grammar.

The words in **red** indicate a mistake.

This answer is too short. You lose marks for being under length.

Be careful beginning with Mr. John. 'John' is a first name. We don't address people with their first name. Better to write, 'Dear Mr Smith,'

¶1: 'I saw that you had written in the advertisement...'

*Note: This feedback is based on the four (4) IELTS writing criteria. It is indicative only and must be used only as a guide. (See the Scott's English **Noticeboard** section of the site for more information about the IELTS writing criteria).

¶2: Make sure you begin each sentence with a capital letter.
'...to join this one month course...'
'...as in my daily routine at work I am facing a lot of difficulties.'
'...so I face lots of communication problems which are affecting my job performance.'
Generally, do not begin a sentence with a conjunction (eg: 'so').
'...teach me. Generally, I can come...'
'...coaching center if this is available and suitable.'
'Please kindly let me know if this is possible. I am waiting for your favorable response.'

In a formal letter (which this is) you must use your first and last name. Note carefully:

Yours sincerely,

Tom Watkins

**Word
Count:**

Need more words!

***Approximate Band Score:**

5.0



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