

WRITING TASK 2

You should spend about 40 minutes on this task.

Write about the following topic:

Even though globalization affects the world's economies in a positive way, its negative side should not be forgotten. Discuss.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge and/or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

It is universally believed that globalization is one of the most influential phenomena on a worldwide scale over the last two decades. Many of the world's citizens have benefited from the rapid economic growth fuelled by globalisation. Just as every individual's behaviour has its costs and benefits, there are some drawbacks of globalisation which will be discussed below.

globalization is one of - . globalization has been one of (use present perfect simple; the action started in the past and is continuing now)

growth fuelled by globalisation... growth fuelled by globalisation (you can use either the US or UK spelling but you spelt it wrong – a typing error I think)

The strongest argument against globalisation is that it allows unequal market competition and widening the divide between the rich and the poor. One of the biggest features of globalisation is that it integrates different markets in the world and creates a global free market. However, the free market, in some cases, can be interpreted as an intensively competitive market. It is obviously that with the extensive connections and strong financial capacities, a large international group can easily crash a local scale company on the market. Another situation of unequal competition happens in an international trade between two countries, which can be well illustrated by the following example. In the early 1980s, the Japanese cars constituted 40% of the total sales of ^ American car market. This is because the costs of Japanese automobiles are relatively low. Hence, the U.S. government announced the 'local content rules' to intervene ^ the domestic automobile market. Under such rules, automobiles exported by Japanese companies will be charged a 40% tax unless 70% of the car parts are manufactured in ^ U.S.

globalisation – globalisation

and widening the divide - and widens the divide

It is obviously - It is obvious

easily crash a local scale - easily crush a local scale

of ^ American car market- of the American car market

costs of Japanese automobiles are - cost of Japanese automobiles is
to intervene ^ the domestic - to intervene in the domestic
automobiles exported by - automobiles imported by (I presume you're speaking from the perspective of the American Government and the cars are coming out of Japan into the U.S.)
in ^ U.S. - in the U.S.

Secondly, with the advance of globalisation, international groups have the ability to dominate ^ media in much of the world, which brings side effects on the social cohesion and cultural conservation, especially in the middle-east area. With the influx of western movies, music and MTV, local people in developing countries would have divergent views on their own culture. Some of them might hold their traditions in contempt, while others might hold opposite views. Such difference can potentially impact on the social solidarity.

globalisation – globalisation
dominate ^ media - dominate the media
effects on the social cohesion- effects on social cohesion
opposite views. - opposing views.
Such difference - Such differences

In summary, there are some problems accompanied with the economic benefits brought by the globalisation. Issues including unequal market competition and side effects on social cohesion and culture conservation should not be forgotten.

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Final comments and [approximate IELTS band score](#)

Task Response

7

You addressed all parts of the task and presented a clear position.

Coherence and Cohesion

7

You organised and connected your ideas logically. I did feel that your second paragraph went on too long and think you should have started a new paragraph with 'Another situation of unequal competition....'

Lexical Resource

7

You used a wide range of vocabulary with occasional errors in word choice. Also, be sure to either use US English spelling or UK/Aus spelling and stick with it.

Grammatical Range and Accuracy

7

You used a variety of complex structures and error-free sentences were frequent. Take note of my corrections.

Approximate overall IELTS score

6.5/7

So why have I written 6.5/7? Well, I cannot predict how you will write on Saturday when you take your test. You have made a big improvement in our practice sessions and I wish you all the best on Saturday 😊

Let me know how you went when you get your results in a few weeks' time.