

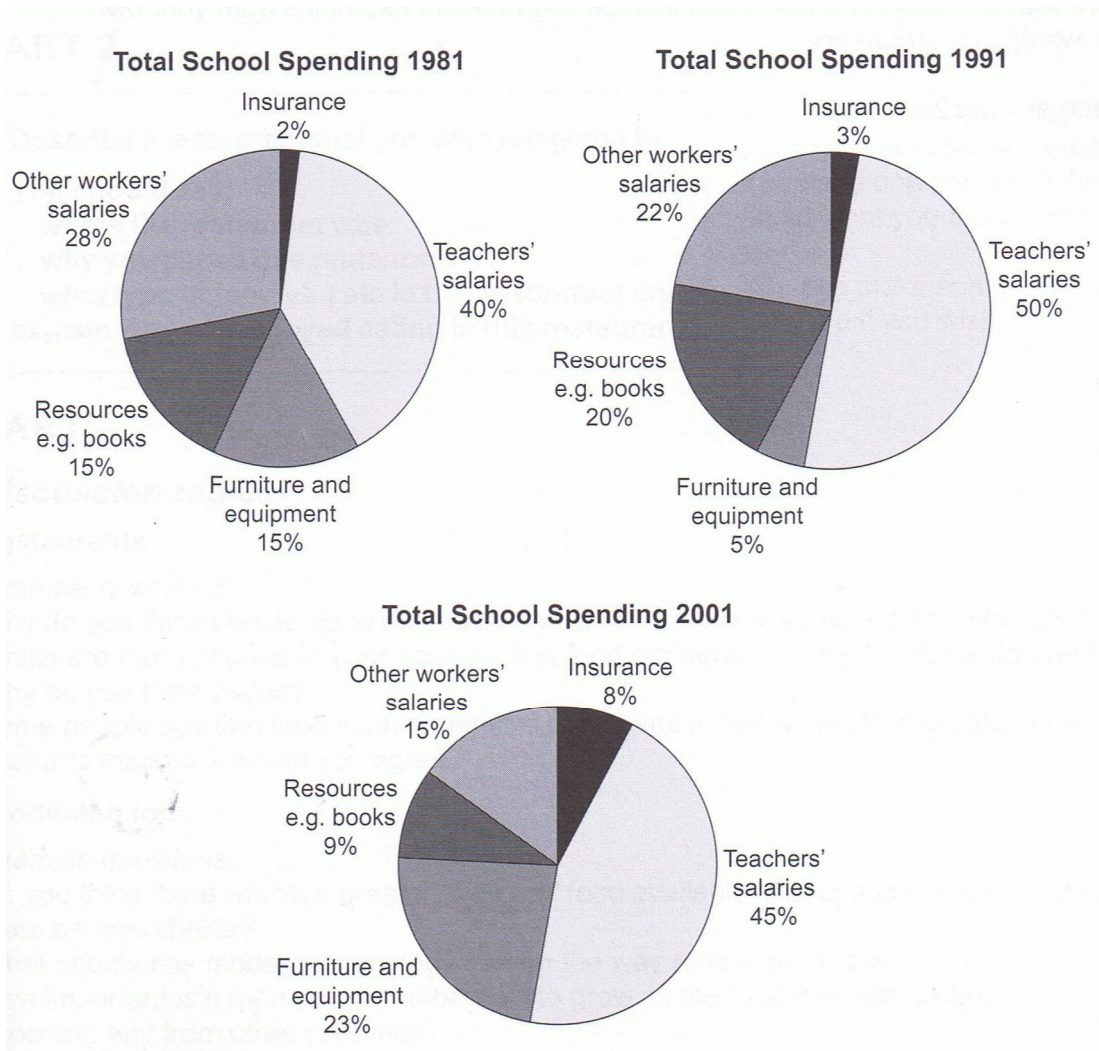
WRITING TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The three pie charts below show the changes in annual spending by a particular UK school in 1981, 1991 and 2001.

Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.



Question taken from [Cambridge IELTS 8, 2011](#).

The charts show how much a UK school spent on different running costs in three separate years: 1981, 1991 and 2001.

In all three years, the greatest expenditure was on staff salaries. But while other workers' salaries saw a fall from 28% in 1981 to only 15% of spending in 2001, teachers' pay remained the biggest cost, reaching 50% of total spending in 1991 and ending at 45% in 2001.

Expenditure on resources such as books had increased to 20% by 1991 before decreasing to only 9% by the end of the period. In contrast, the cost of furniture and equipment saw an opposite trend. This cost decreased to only 5% of total expenditure in 1991 but rose dramatically in 2001 when it represented 23% of the school budget. Similarly, the cost of insurance saw a rising trend, growing from only 2% to 8% by 2001.

Overall, teachers' salaries constituted the largest cost to the school, and while spending increased dramatically for equipment and insurance, there were corresponding drops in expenditure on things such as books and on other workers' salaries.

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

Task Achievement	9
<ul style="list-style-type: none">fully satisfies all the requirements of the task.clearly presents a fully developed response.	
Coherence and Cohesion	9
<ul style="list-style-type: none">uses cohesion in such a way that it attracts no attentionskillfully manages paragraphing	
Lexical Resource	9
<ul style="list-style-type: none">uses a wide range of vocabulary with very natural and sophisticated control of lexical features; rare minor errors occur only as 'slips'.	
Grammatical Range and Accuracy	9
<ul style="list-style-type: none">uses a wide range of structures with full flexibility and accuracy; rare minor errors occur only as 'slips'.	
Approximate overall IELTS score	9

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