

ANSWER – FORMATTED

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Introduction

The UAE has many beautiful cities, like Al Ain, Abu Dhabi and RAK. However, if I must choose only one, I can say that Dubai is the most beautiful and exciting city in the UAE. In this essay, I will describe Dubai and give some examples and personal perspectives.

Dubai is located on the Arabian Gulf and it has many places to visit. The most famous building is the Burj Khalifa because it the tallest building in the world. The Dubai Mall is next to Burj Khalifa, so many families like to go shopping there. Also, you can go skiing at Dubai Mall. Finally, the Corniche is very attractive because it has natural beauty. Furthermore, there many gardens and parks.

Body Paragraph 1

I enjoy visiting Dubai with my friends or family. We usually go to Dubai Mall first because shopping is one of my hobbies, and Dubai Mall is the most famous. I don't always buy many things, but I always look at perfume, clothes, and shoes. When we are tired of shopping, my mother meets us for coffee, and then I buy gifts for my little sisters. Sometimes we visit the beach and we have a delicious barbeque. The only problem with Dubai is the traffic. It is my least favorite thing about Dubai.

Conclusion

In conclusion, Dubai is my chosen city because it is the most lovely and exciting city in UAE. If you go there, I'm sure you will agree!! (240)

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Practice 3: Study the essay

Look at the model essay and answer the following questions.

1. What is the TOPIC of the essay?
 - A. Favorite city in UAE
 - B. Different cities in the world
 - C. Favorite place in Dubai
 - D. History of Dubai Mall
2. How many PARAGRAPHS are in the essay? **4** How many words? **240**
3. What is the topic of Body 1?
4. **Information about Dubai**
 - a. experience and opinion about Dubai
5. What is the topic of Body 2?
 - a. Information about Dubai
6. ***experience and opinion about Dubai***
7. Which paragraphs are short? **1 & 4 (Intro & Conclusion)** long? **2-3 (BODY)**
8. Where is Dubai located? ***on the Arabian Gulf***
9. What is something the writer does NOT like about Dubai? ***traffic***
10. When she goes to Dubai mall, where does she go FIRST? ***Dubai Mall***
11. How many sentences in Body 1 **6** ? Body 2 **6** ?
12. Does the writer give examples from her own life? [**YES** / NO] If yes, where? **BODY 2**

Parts of a Sentence. Sentences ALWAYS have :

1. a ***subject***
2. a ***verb***
3. a ***capital letter*** at the beginning
4. a ***full stop*** at the end
5. a ***complete idea***

Examples

<i>Complete Sentences</i>	<i>NOT Sentences</i>	<i>explanation</i>
She is a doctor. Reckless driving kills. It's hot today. She looks beautiful. Are you ready?	Hot climate in Kuwait. → The man bought. → Because I'm tired. → Is very difficult. → Every morning before class. →	no verb. no complete idea. no complete idea. no subject. no subject or

Practice: Read each group of words. If it is a complete sentence, make a check (✓). If it is not a complete sentence, make an X and explain why the group of words is not a sentence.

X	1. Is very difficult.	No subject
✓	2. It is very easy.	
X	3. My new friend from Dubai.	No verb
	4. Saeed speaks English fluently.	
X	5. When Amal first came to university.	No complete idea
✓	6. Waleed wants to go to the mall.	
X	7. Enjoys many activities, especially football.	No subject
X	8. Because they are new students.	No complete idea
X	9. I don't want.	No complete idea
X	10. My friends didn't enjoy.	No complete idea
X	11. The Writing Center is a good place to get help.	

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Subjects and Verbs Practice: Underline the subjects, and box the verbs in these sentences.

- My favourite shop at the mall is Mango.
- I always have coffee at Starbucks.
- MaGrudy's Bookshop is at the top of the escalator.
- Her children are very well-behaved when she takes them shopping.
- Hessa loves to buy fashionable clothes.
- She goes to the mall every Saturday.
- She works in the Etisalat kiosk at Jimi Mall.
- She goes to the cinema at the weekend.

Writing Practice: Write 3-4 sentences about your favourite Malls (2 positive and 1 negative)

Answers will vary

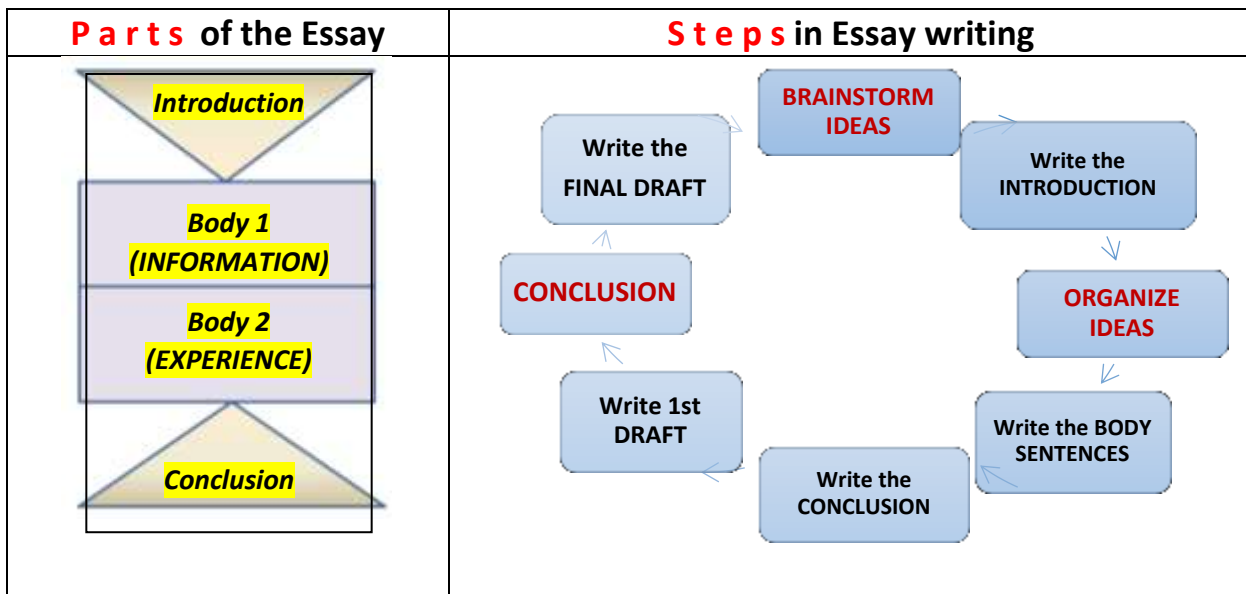
Writing the Essay: What – Why - How?

What is an essay?

- An essay is a group of _____ that expresses _____ main idea.
- Also, it supports the main idea with _____ and _____

Why do we write essays? IELTS – University - life

HOW?



Brainstorming -- places on campus – your house – your room

Practice 1: in the boxes below, write the names of some places you know very well.

ANSWERS WILL VARY

Practice 2: With your group, choose a place, and complete - **ANSWERS WILL VARY**

My Favorite Restaurant

If you **live** in Al Ain, you can **eat / enjoy** delicious food in many different restaurants.

My favorite restaurant **is** Food World. In this essay, I will **describe** Food World and **share / give / illustrate** my experience. (42 words)

Practice 2: Write a practice introduction about “A Famous building in Abu Dhabi)

<i>There are many famous buildings in Abu Dhabi, but if I must</i>
<i>choose one, it is the Shaykh Zayed Mosque. In this essay I will describe</i>
<i>the mosque and give my experience about it.</i>

Practice 3: Write a practice introduction about an excellent place on UAEU campus

ANSWERS WILL VARY FROM STUDENT TO STUDENT

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Verbs - Practice

Subject Verb agreement (sva)

Practice 1: Read these sentences carefully. Underline the subject(s) and put a rectangle around the correct form of each verb.

1. Shaikha and her sisters (go, goes) to the cinema at Bawadi Mall every weekend.
2. Ahmed and Saad (doesn't, don't) like Horror movies.
3. Mohammed (doesn't, don't) know the answer.
4. Mangi (is, are) Mariam's favourite shop while Zara and Cotton (is, are) Eiman's favourite shops.
5. I (like, likes) Al Ain Mall because it (is, are) interesting.
6. The Food Court and the cinemas (is, are) on the second floor.
7. I (go, goes) to the mall with my sisters. .
8. In the afternoon, we usually (meet, meets) our brother at the cinema.

There is/ There are

We also use **there is** (for singular nouns) and **there are** (for plural nouns) when describing a place:

Write there is or there are at the beginning of each sentence:

- 1) There is a coffee table next to the chair.
- 2) There are luxurious carpets in the bedroom.
- 3) There is a DVD on the table.
- 4) There are many desks and chairs in the library.
- 5) There are some flowers in my room.

Practice 2: What the Burj Al Arab looks like:

Choose the correct VERB:

- 1) This famous hotel [*look* / looks] like the shape of a [sailboat / *helicopter*].
- 2) There [are / *is*] 60 floors in the hotel.
- 3) It [*have* / has] 202 luxury suites.
- 4) At night, the outside lights [change / *changes*] colours every 30 minutes.
- 5) 5) The lobby is 180 m high and it [*have* / *has*] very lavish, beautiful Arabic [*decorations* / *subjects*].

Adjectives

Write an adjective in each space:
[tasty is not used]

1. My room is sunny because it has three huge windows which let in a lot of light.
2. I love my room. It's quiet and peaceful, so I always feel relaxed and happy in it.
3. The decorations for my room were very expensive; I spent a lot of money on them!
4. The TV screen is large and flat, so you can see every detail of the movie clearly.
5. I love to sit and talk with my brother on the big, comfortable sofa in our living room.
6. I don't like crowded places; it is stressful when there are so many people around me.
7. The Burj Khalifa in Dubai is an impressive building; you feel small when you look up at it!
8. The coffee shop is always noisy because the students talk, laugh and shout loudly.

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Combining Sentences --

1. You can pay your etisalat bill there, and/or you can register for the internet.
2. I enjoy the new shops, but I don't like the kids' zone.
3. It is too busy on weekends, so we usually go during the week.
4. I often go there with my family, and we usually see other friends when we go there.

Example (a famous building in Dubai)

In **conclusion**, the Burj Al Arab **is** one of the most important **buildings in** Dubai.

Don't leave until you see it!!

Practice – Write a conclusion about your HOMETOWN

Answers will vary

Language Practice:

Prepositions: near – in – on – by

Directions: Complete the Introduction: Use **PREPOSITIONS** TO DESCRIBE THE LOCATION

The Burj Al Arab is a famous landmark **in** the United Arab Emirates, and it is one of the most expensive hotels in the world.

The Burj is an excellent place to visit. destination for tourists. It is located ... **in** Dubai, and it is **on** Jumeirah Beach Road. It is **on** the Arabian Gulf, and it is **near** Wild Wadi Park and the Mall of the Emirates. Actually, the building is **on** a special small island, so you should go there arrive there **by** boat. It is not **near** the airport.

More Vocabulary for Describing a Place

Suggested answers (there are other possible correct answers!!)

Size huge	Style amazing modern natural
Location region	Age Ancient
Price expensive	
Negative words boring crowded dangerous polluted	Positive words amazing - charming - clean comfortable convenient - exciting - expensive - famous fantastic - fascinating – interesting – lively - wonderful – picturesque - popular

Listening Activity (p. 17)

Now listen:

1. Ahmed goes in the entrance and walks past the Play Area; he goes to the shop opposite the Play Area.
2. Sara wants to buy something to eat. She is at the exit. She turns right and goes to the place next to the Max Mara shop.
3. Nabil wants to know where the Ayla Hotel is. He is near the entrance and goes to the place under the escalator to ask someone.
4. Lulwa is going to buy an Eid present. She goes to the shop between Starbucks and the Play Area.

Answers:

A = Home Centre S = Supermarket N = Help Desk L = Clarks Shoe shop

MATCHING EXERCISE

ANSWERS:

- | | |
|------|------|
| 1) E | 6) C |
| 2) H | 7) B |
| 3) F | 8) I |
| 4) A | 9) D |
| 5) G | |

Pronouns

	A. S _ _ _ _ _ pronouns	B. O _ _ _ _ _ pronouns	C. Possessive A _ _ _ _ _
Singular	<u>I</u>	<u>me</u>	<u>my</u>
	<u>You</u>	<u>You</u>	<u>Your</u> book
	<u>He</u>	<u>Him</u>	<u>His</u> mobile
	<u>She</u>	<u>Her</u>	<u>Her</u> car
	<u>It</u>	<u>It</u>	<u>Its</u> class
Plural	<u>we</u>	<u>us</u>	<u>our</u> wedding
	<u>You</u>	<u>You</u>	<u>Your</u> house
	<u>they</u>	<u>them</u>	<u>their</u> exam
			<u>their</u> father

A. Complete the 2nd sentence with a good **subject** pronoun

1. **Mary** is a teacher. **She** teaches English.
2. **My car** is green, and **it** is new.
3. **Maryam and I** are sisters, and **they** are both students.
4. **Steve and John** are cousins. **They** live in London.
5. **Abdullah** loves sports. **He** plays football, tennis, and squash.

B. Complete the 2nd sentence with a good **object** pronoun

6. We called **Mr. Smith**. We want to make an appointment with **him**
7. I drove **my mother** to the airport. I drove **her** to the airport.
8. **Ali and I called** Ahmed about our problem. Ahmed came and helped **us**
1. I emailed **my friends** last week. I emailed **them**

C. Complete each sentence with the correct **possessive adjective**.

1. I live in Al Ain but **his** parents live in Iowa.
2. You should bring **your** kids to my house for a visit.
3. My sister loves **her** new kitten. She plays with it every day after school.

3. Mom and Dad see **their** grandchildren every week.
4. Daniel likes to play games on **his** computer.
5. We moved! **Our** new house is near Bawadi.

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Error Correction

A. Discuss with a partner.

- 1) What kind of grammar mistakes do you make a lot?
- 2) What kind of mistakes do you see in the sentences below?
 - a) UAE University **has** the best students. _____
 - b) **My** name is **Fatima**. _____
 - c) I have two **brothers, and Fatima** has one brother. _____
 - d) There are many excellent **shopping centers** in my city.
 - e) There is a **beautiful** fountain where the kids love to play. _____
 - f) Yas Mall **has** many **different** shops. **I** go there **every** week. _____

B. Codes: Guess the meanings of the codes below

V = verb	C = capital letter
# = singular/plural	P = punctuation (, .)
Sp = spelling	

C. Practice each group of sentences has ONE kind of mistake. What is it? Use the Codes above.

Group I: Type of mistake **verb** Notes: missing, extra, or wrong (sva)

1. Her name **is** Fatima.
2. Every weekend, she **goes** to the cinema.
3. She love**s** to eat Arabic food.

Group II. Type of mistake **capital letter** Notes: **names, I, 1st letter, NOT general nouns.**

1. Her name is Maitha.
2. She is from Al Ain.
3. I go shopping every weekend with my family.

Group III. Type of mistake # Notes: check every noun

1. She has two brothers and seven sisters.
2. She enjoys doing many things.
3. There are many activities at Dubai mall.

Group IV. Type of mistake sp - spelling Notes: check yourself

1. She is a fun person.
2. In the future, she wants to work as a businesswoman.
3. Every holiday, I go shopping with my family in Abu Dhabi.
4. I can do all my favorite hobbies in my room.

Group V. Type of mistake Punctuation Notes: (.) (,)

1. My name is Fatima, and I am 18 years old.
2. Yas Mall is the best, but it is far from my house.

D. Write the code near the mistake. Then, correct it. The first one is completed.

1. **+** I am very happy to meet ~~aisha~~ **Aisha**. C
2. I have one sister. #
3. I have two brothers. #
4. I study English. C
5. My name is Fatima. V
6. My name is Fatima, and I am 18 years old. P
7. On the first floor, there are two sitting rooms. #

8. She lives in Al Ain. V
9. The garden is the best place because it is very quiet. sp
10. There are eight rooms in our house. #
11. We have two rooms for the people who come to visit. sp



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Practice: Fix the mistakes in the introduction below. There are mistakes in:

spelling (sp)	5 mistakes
punctuation (P)	2 mistakes
capitals (C)	5 mistakes
Verb (V)	4 mistakes

The Best Place on Campus

UAE university have so many services that support the students in their studies / studying. I am in my first year at university, and I need to learn about these places. One of the best places is the Writing Center. In this essay I will describe the Writing Center and tell you about my experience.

Practice:

The sentences below are from **Body 1** of an essay about the Writing Center at UAEU.

1. Which sentence gives an example of something? **c** (of what?)
2. Which sentence gives additional information? **a**
3. Which sentence is the first sentence in the paragraph? **b**

Put each sentence in the best place in the paragraph below.

(1) The Writing Center is very easy to find. It is located in Building C5, on the first floor. It is next to the mosque, and across from the Reading Center. It is in a lovely room, with bright windows. You can find many helpful things there.

(2) For example, there are convenient tables and comfortable chairs. (3) In addition, there are friendly teachers. Also, there are useful exercises for IELTS and English courses, and you can find help with Arabic language, too.

