

Writing (1 hour 30 minutes)

PART 1

You must *answer this question. Write your answer in 220–260 words in an appropriate style.*

1 Your class has attended a panel discussion on the subject of TV shows that feature members of the public, such as reality TV shows and talent competitions. You have made the notes below.

Aspects of reality and talent TV shows

- entertainment for viewers
- influence on young people
- effect on participants

Some opinions expressed in the discussion:

'These programmes are just harmless entertainment and there is nothing wrong with them.'

'The influence these programmes can have on young people can be very bad indeed.'

'People who take part in these programmes can be damaged by the experience.'

Write an essay for your tutor discussing two of the aspects in your notes. You should explain which aspect you think is the most important regarding these TV shows and provide reasons to support your opinion.

You may, if you wish, make use of the opinions expressed in the discussion, but you should use your own words as far as possible.

PART 2

Write an answer to one of the questions 2–4 in this part. Write your answer in 220–260 words in an appropriate style.

2 You see the following announcement in an international magazine.

PRODUCT REVIEWS WANTED

Have you bought a new product recently, or had one bought for you? Maybe you've just got a new gadget or piece of technology or equipment. It could be something for work or leisure. We'd like to hear what you think of it for our Readers' Reviews Page. Describe the product for readers and give your opinions on it. Do you recommend it? If so, why? If not, why not? Send your review to the address below.

Write your review.

3 You see the following notice in the place where you work or study.

ANNIVERSARY EVENT PROPOSALS

As you may know, next year we will have been in existence for 20 years, and at a recent meeting it was decided that we should hold a special event to celebrate this achievement. We're now looking for proposals as to what kind of event to hold. Have you got a good idea for a special event to celebrate our 20th anniversary? Put together a proposal, giving details of your idea and how the event could be organized. We'll consider all the proposals at a meeting next month.

Write your proposal.

4 Your company is going to make a video for publicity reasons, showing what the company does and the people who work there. Your manager has asked you to write a letter to all members of staff telling them about plans for this video. Your letter should explain:

- why the video is going to be made
- what the video will contain
- what staff members will be asked to do.

Write your letter.

