

UNIT 3: EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT

WRITING

Ex1: Complete these sentences using the appropriate prepositions.

1. _____ 1990 _____ 2000, there was a drop _____ 15%.
2. GM car sales peaked _____ 2,000 in 1999.
3. The chart shows a decline _____ 35% _____ the bird population.
4. There has been a significant increase _____ the number of people aged over eighty.
5. Canada and Australia's wheat exports fluctuated _____ 5 million and 6 million respectively.
6. Profits fell _____ \$200, from \$2,000 to \$1,800 in 1970s.
7. DVD sales peaked _____ 60,000 _____ 1992 but then decreased _____ about 10,000 over the next two years.
8. In 2008, the rate of unemployment rose _____ 200, from 2,000 to 2,200 cases. There was a slight rise _____ the number of men employed.
9. The figures show a drop _____ 5% _____ student numbers.
10. Unemployment reached its highest level _____ the year 2008 _____ 10%.

Ex2: Put the paragraphs in the correct order to complete the report.

Emissions from electricity, gas and water supply fell dramatically to only 0.5 million tonnes in 2007, a drop of almost 3 million tonnes. While acid rain gases from the domestic sector and other industries fell gradually, the transport sector saw a small increase in emissions, reaching a peak of 1 million tonnes in 2005.

It is clear that the total amount of acid rain emissions in the UK fell considerably between 1990 and 2007. The most dramatic decrease was seen in the electricity, gas and water supply sector.

In 1990, around 3.3 million tonnes of acid rain emissions came from the electricity, gas and water sector. The transport and communication sector was responsible for about 0.7 million tonnes of emissions, while the domestic sector produced around 0.6 million tonnes. Just over 2 million tonnes of acid rain gases came from other industries.

The line graph compares four sectors in terms of the amount of acid rain emissions that they produced over a period of 17 years in the UK.

Ex3: Complete the sample essay using words or phrases in the box.

Percentage of national consumer expenditure by category – 2002

Country	Food/Drink/ Tobacco	Clothing/ Footwear	Leisure/ Education
Ireland	28.91%	6.43%	2.21%
Italy	16.36%	9.00%	3.20%
Spain	18.80%	6.51%	1.98%
Sweden	15.77%	5.40%	3.22%
Turkey	32.14%	6.63%	4.35%

Turkey respectively On the other hand Sweden five countries proportion

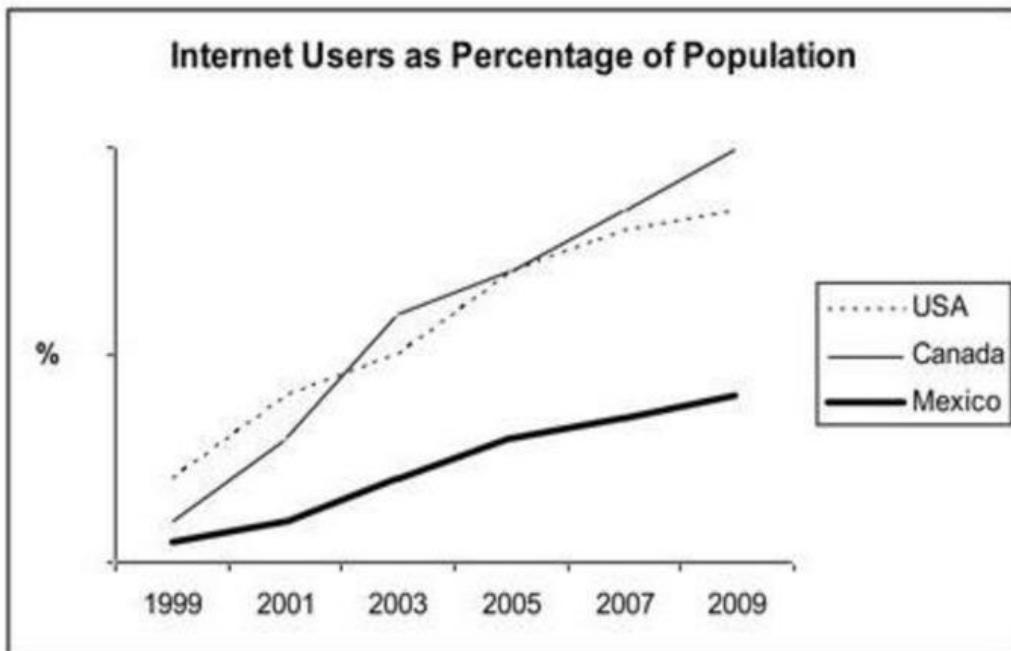
The table shows percentages of consumer expenditure for three categories of products and services in _____ in 2002.

It is clear that the largest proportion of consumer spending in each country went on food, drink and tobacco. _____, the leisure/education category has the lowest percentages in the table.

Out of the five countries, consumer spending on food, drink and tobacco was noticeably higher in _____, at 32.14%, and Ireland, at nearly 29%. The _____ of spending on leisure and education was also highest in Turkey, at 4.35%, while expenditure on clothing and footwear was significantly higher in Italy, at 9%, than in any of the other countries.

It can be seen that _____ had the lowest percentages of national consumer expenditure for food/drinks/tobacco and for clothing/footwear, at nearly 16% and just over 5%, _____. Spain had slightly higher figures for these categories, but the lowest figure for leisure/education, at almost 2%.

Ex4: Complete the sample essay using words or phrases in the box.



increased respectively highest in comparison while percentage lower

The line graph compares the _____ of people in three countries who used the Internet between 1999 and 2009.

It is clear that the proportion of the population who used the Internet _____ in each country over the period shown. Overall, a much larger percentage of Canadians and Americans had access to the Internet _____ with Mexicans, and Canada experienced the fastest growth in Internet usage.

In 1999, the proportion of people using the Internet in the USA was about 20%. The figures for Canada and Mexico were _____, at about 10% and 5%, _____. In 2005, Internet usage in both the USA and Canada rose to around 70% of the population, _____ the figure for Mexico reached just over 25%.

By 2009, the percentage of Internet users was _____ in Canada. Almost 100% of Canadians used the Internet, compared to about 80% of Americans and only 40% of Mexicans.