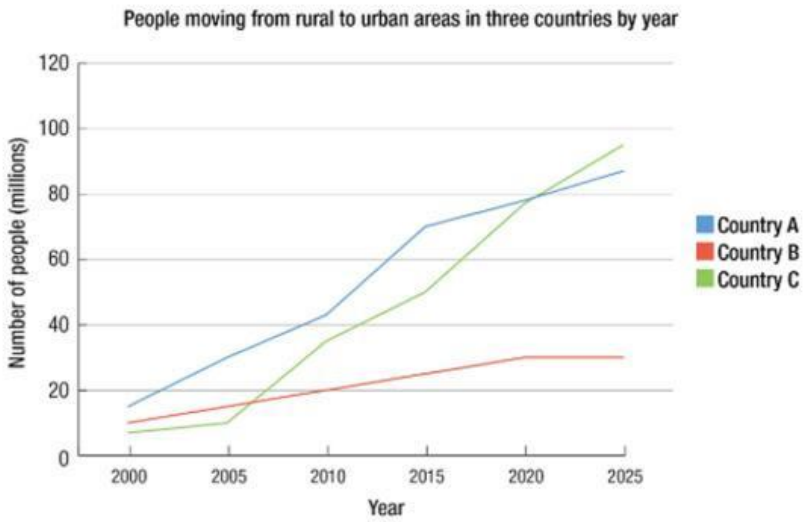
UNIT 1: URBAN AND RURAL LIFE

WRITING

Exercise 1: Look at the chart. Choose the correct responses to the questions



1 What is being measured in the chart?

- ◯ movement from the city to the countryside
- ◯ movement from the countryside to the city
- ◯ the number of people living in Country A, Country B and Country C

2 How is the number of people measured?

- ◯ 100s
- ◯ 1,000s
- ◯ 1,000,000s

3 What is the most noticeable trend?

- ◯ Movement increased a little.
- ◯ Movement increased considerably.
- ◯ Movement increased in only two countries.

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4 According to the chart, what is a prediction for the future?

- ◯ Country C will have a bigger population than Country A.
- ◯ More people will live in rural areas in Country A.
- ◯ Movement in Country B will remain stable.

5 What would be appropriate to include in conclusion / summary of this chart?

- ◯ In conclusion, there has been a noticeable increase in the number of people moving to cities.
- ◯ In summary, Country B will stay the same.
- ◯ Overall, the number of people moving to the countryside has increased dramatically.

Exercise 2: Look at the chart again. Choose the correct adverbs to complete the sentences.

1 Between 2000 and 2015, Country B's population movement *gradually/markedly/surprisingly* increased from 10 million to about 25 million.

2 By 2025, the number of people moving from the countryside to the city in Country B will have tailed off *dramatically/inconsistently/slightly* to around 30 million people.

3 Since 2005, the movement from rural to urban areas in Country C has risen *gradually/steadily/significantly*, reaching about 80 million in 2020.

4 The number of people leaving the countryside for the city in Country C is expected to surpass the number in Country A and continue to climb *predictably/sharply/slowly*, reaching about 95 million in 2025.

5 Between 2015 and 2020, the number of people moving from rural to urban areas in Country A is expected to rise *abruptly/markedly/steadily* from just over 70 million to just under 80 million. However, it is predicted to have fallen behind Country C by 2025.

Exercise 3 : Look at the chart again. Complete the sentences. Use the words in the box.

as	many	more	much	than

1 _____ people – 70 million – left the countryside of Country A for the city in 2015.

2 The chart shows that the movement of people in Country B is generally _____ lower than in the other two countries.

3 There were fewer _____ 20 million people moving from the country to the city in each of the three countries in 2000.

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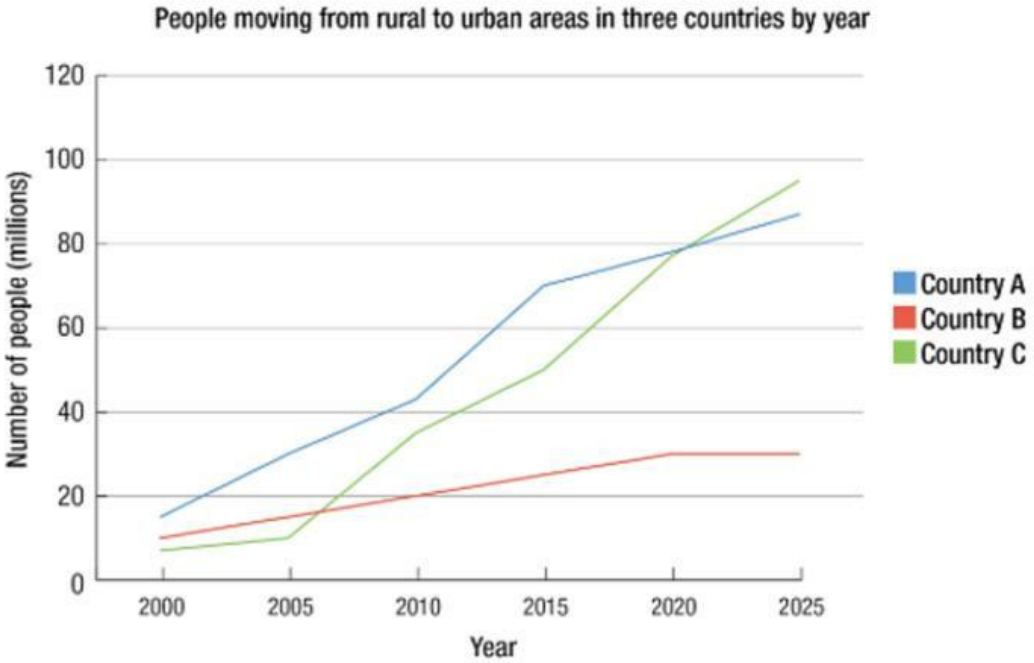
4 By 2025, _____ people will be moving to cities in Country C than in each of the other two countries shown in the chart.

5 In 2006, about 35 million people in Country A moved, while Country C experienced more or less the same movement _____ Country B, at approximately 15 million.

Exercise 4: Look at the chart again. Choose the correct words to complete the summary paragraph.



Overall, all three countries *drawn / pictured / shown* in the chart have seen a *predictable / significant / surprising* population movement from the countryside to the city, with the *as / most / much* noticeable changes being in Country C and Country A. It is predicted that this trend will continue to 2025 in both these countries. However, Country B will experience a *fluctuation / levelling off / remain constant* of movement at around 30 million people *in / since / to* 2020.

Exercise 5: Look at the same chart. Complete the sentences. Use the words in the box.

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could possibly | is more than likely | it is certain that | probably won't | will

1 By 2025, the population movement from rural to urban areas in Country C will have nearly doubled since 2015, and the number of people moving _____ most likely continue to rise.

2 The trend for Country B _____ to continue to remain the same at about 30 million people.

3 Regarding Country C and Country A, _____ many people prefer to live in cities rather than villages.

4 Country A's population movement figures _____ fall further behind Country C's in the years after 2025.

5 Overall, it is fair to say that the number of people moving from rural to urban areas _____ remain the same in Country A and Country C in the years after 2025.

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<u>Exercise 6:</u> Look at the chart again. Do the sentences contain accurate or inaccurate information? Choose True or False.

1 Country A's population movement fluctuated before 2015 and is predicted to rise in the next few years.

◯ True ◯ False

2 The movement of people from villages to cities in Country B is forecast to peak in 2020, and will probably decline in the foreseeable future.

◯ True ◯ False

3 From a low figure of below 10 million people in 2000, the number of people expected to move from the countryside to cities in Country C will probably exceed 100 million in the years after 2025.

◯ True ◯ False

4 Country C had fewer people moving to cities than Country B and Country A in 2005, and in 2025 there will also be fewer people moving to cities in Country C than in these countries.

◯ True ◯ False

5 Country C experienced a steep rise in the number of people leaving the countryside for the city between 2005 and 2015; the number increased from about 10 million to about 50 million, and this trend is likely to continue well into the next decade.

◯ True ◯ False

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Exercise 7: **Look at the chart. Is the information given in the sentences shown in the chart? Choose Yes or No.**

1 Country B is an extremely large country, but it will have the lowest population of the three countries in 2025 at about 30 million; Country A and Country C will have populations of 85 million and 95 million, respectively.

◯ Yes ◯ No

2 Country C is going to have the same amount of internal migration as Country A by 2020, with about 80 million people moving from the country to the cities in both countries according to the chart.

◯ Yes ◯ No

3 Country A is the only African nation to experience a significant movement of people from rural to urban areas.

◯ Yes ◯ No

4 Country C's urban population is expected to increase well into the next century, by approximately 120 million.

◯ Yes ◯ No

5 After 2005, the number of people relocating from the countryside to the city in Country B is always significantly lower in comparison with the other two countries shown in the chart.

◯ Yes ◯ No

Exercise 8: **Choose the summary that is appropriate, developed and clear.**

◯ **A** In conclusion, obviously, there is a dramatic increase in the population moving in the time period shown in the chart. You can see that this trend is likely to increase in all three countries. Country C should surpass 100 million in the next few decades. Country B will stay the same during the years of 2020 and 2025 and possibly after this as well. We can also conclude that the population of all three countries will also increase in the future.

◯ **B** Overall, all three countries show a rising urban migration trend, with the most notable increase being for Country C, initially showing the smallest migration but expected to become the highest around 2020 and in the years beyond.

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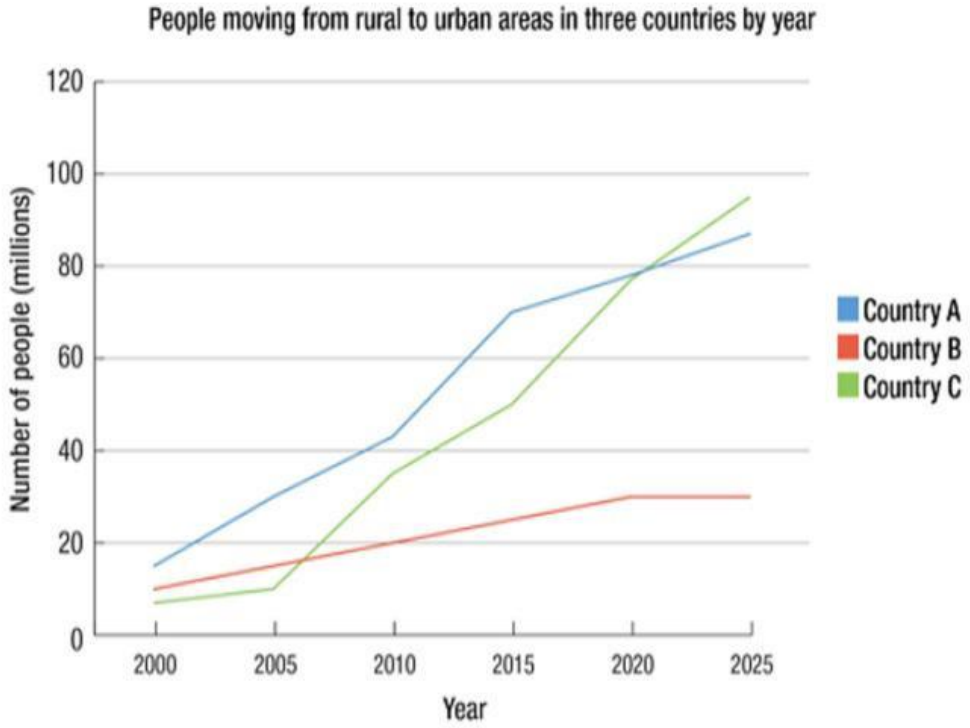
Exercise 9: WRITING TASK 1
You should spend 20 minutes on this task.

The chart below shows the movement of people from rural to urban areas in three countries and predictions for future years.

Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.
Write at least 150 words



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