Writing Task 1

C a 100% reflective mirror
goes at the other
contains two gases
it begins to glow
the fully reflective mirror
makes all of the light
bounce off it
turning it on
forth between the two
mirrors

Writing

IELTS tasks: task 1 – describing a process; staging; sequencing

1 Complete the passage. Use the phrases in C.



LASERS

Lasers are very simple tools, especially the lasers which are used to make most holograms. A laser is made up of a very thin glass tube, about the size of a drinking straw and (1) _____ – helium and neon. The laser is called a helium-neon laser. The first stage of the process involves connecting the laser to a source of electricity and (2) _____ . Following this, electricity passes through this gas and (3) _____ . In order to get the laser beam out of this tube, two mirrors are placed at both ends of the tube: one partially reflective mirror is placed at one end and (4) _____ . The result is that light begins to bounce back and (5) _____ . The partially reflective mirror lets some of the light pass through and (6) _____ . Finally, the light that passes through comes out as the laser beam.

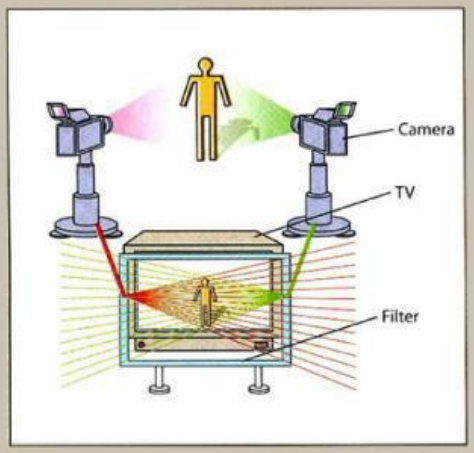
2 Underline the passive structures and words and phrases for purpose and sequence in the passage in 1.

D subsequently
the first step
is constituted of
eventually
next
so that

3 Read the question and underline the important words.

The diagram shows how a 3D television system works. Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features and making comparisons where relevant. You should write at least 150 words.

4 Complete the passage. Use the words and phrases in D.



The diagram shows a television system which can display 3-D pictures to people sitting in different parts of a room. The system (1) _____ cameras, a screen and a filter which capture a progression of different viewpoints and spread them out into the room with the left view directed to the viewer's left and the right view directed to the right. (2) _____ is to place two TV cameras wider than the human eye to capture left and right views. (3) _____ imaging processing software compares the two images and eight viewpoints are generated that range from the extreme left view to the extreme right. The views are (4) _____ displayed on a television screen. Following this, a filter is fitted to the front of the screen in order to deflect the light from the different slices and spread them out in different directions. It then sends the left image to the left eye and the right image to the right eye (5) _____ the viewer's eyes see slightly different viewpoints wherever they sit. (6) _____ a 3-D effect is created from a wide range of viewing angles.

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5 **Read the passage and underline ...**

1 the overview or general statement about the process.
2 a description of components of the process.
3 a description of the process.
4 words and phrases for purpose and sequencing.
5 passive structures.

6 **Look at the pictures and write about the process using sentences 1 – 6.**

1 *podcast* = sound recording on Internet
2 need: microphone / computer / sound recording programme / internet connection / MP3 player
3 microphone put into computer, your programme recorded via sound recording program
4 computer connected to Internet, sound file uploaded to podcasting website
5 to listen to programme, computer connected to podcast website through Internet
6 sound file downloaded to computer, sound file transferred to MP3 player



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Writing Task 2

Spoken communication is more powerful than written communication. To what extent do you agree or disagree?

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