Unit 5: Exercise 1

Read the IELTS Writing Task 1 question and look at the table. Then read the sentences. Do they contain grammatical errors? Choose Yes or No.

The table below shows the percentage of people employed in six different industries in Country A and predictions for 2025.

Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Employment rate in Country A (1995–2025) (%)

Industry	1995	2005	2015	2025
Construction	6%	5%	6%	5%
Manufacturing	25%	15%	12%	10%
Retail	12%	13%	13%	12%
Transportation	3%	4%	6%	13%
Finance	3%	5%	8%	15%
Agriculture	20%	10%	0.7%	0.7%

1. Employment in the construction sector has been fluctuated during the entire period.
   - Yes
   - No
2. The workforce employed in manufacturing fell by over half between 1995 and 2015 and is expected to fall further to 10% in 2025.
   - Yes
   - No
3. The percentage for retail employment hadn't really changed by much from 1995 to 2025.
   - Yes
   - No
4. The transportation sector saw a rise from 1995 and it could reach 13% in 2025.
   - Yes
   - No
5. Starting at only 3% in 1995, the percentage of workers in the area of finance is estimated to increase fivefold by 2025.
   - Yes
   - No
6. In agriculture, from a figure of 20% in 1995, it has fallen to reach 0.7% in 2015 and this is forecast to remain stable in future years.
   - Yes
   - No

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Unit 5: Exercise 2

Read the information. Then choose the correct words and phrases to complete the summary of the table.

Band 9: cohesion attracts no attention;
Band 8: manages cohesion well;
Band 7: uses a range of cohesive devices appropriately, although there may be some underuse or overuse.

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It is striking/ What stands out is the huge decline in employment in the agricultural sector during the period shown.

It is striking that/ Surprisingly , having stood at 20% in 1995, it is forecast that it will have fallen to just 0.7% by 2025.

By contrast/ It is surprisingly , the employment figures for the finance and transportation fields have increased significantly, both rising from 3% in 1995 to reach a predicted percentage of 15% and 13%, obviously/ respectively . By the end of the period shown/ Finally , employment in transportation will have reached 13%; the clear trend/ whereas being a substantial rise from the percentage in 1995 of 3%. Moving onto/ Turning next construction, the figures remain stable between 1995 and 2015, fluctuating between 5% and 6%. Likewise/ Nevertheless , it is predicted to be 5% in 2025. Regarding to/ With reference to employment in retail, the figures rose slightly from 12% in 1995 to 13% in 2015 but will at last/ nevertheless fall back again to 12% in 2025.

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Unit 5: Exercise 3

Read the information. Then complete the sentences with the referencing words in the box.

Using correct referencing is an important aspect of achieving a higher band score for Coherence and Cohesion. This is the concept of using words or phrases in one sentence to replace those in another, usually the previous one, allowing the writer to avoid repetition.

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1. _____ figures show the employment rate in Country A in the period from 1995 to 2015 and predictions for 2025.
2. Strikingly, employment in agriculture has declined dramatically and _____ trend is expected to continue into 2025.
3. The number of workers involved in finance rose noticeably to reach 8% in 2015 and _____ is forecast to nearly double in 2025.
4. _____ people who work in manufacturing can expect to experience a noticeable decline in employment prospects, as the figure almost halved from 25% in 1995 to 12% in 2015 and will fall further in the future.
5. The data for retail reveals _____ there was no significant change between 1995 and 2015 and nor is there likely to be in 2025.
6. Employment in transportation increased dramatically between 1995 and 2015, and by the end of the period shown _____ share may rise to 13%.

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Unit 5: Exercise 4

Read the information. Then choose the correct alternatives to replace the underlined words in the sentences.

Substitution is the replacement of one lexical item with a synonym or paraphrase that expresses the same meaning in order to avoid repetition of that lexical item. Skilful use of substitution can help you achieve a higher band in the IELTS test for Lexical Resource as it demonstrates a wide vocabulary range.

1. The table depicts the percentage change in the employment rate in Country A between 1995 and 2015, with predictions for 2025, and these percentages (figures/ data) vary across a wide range of industrial sectors.
2. The agricultural sector experienced a considerable fall in the number of people employed and this sector (area/job) fell from 20% in 1995 to 0.7% in 2015.
3. Employment in the construction industry fluctuated between 5% and 6% from 1995 to 2015, and this fluctuation (variation/sway) may well continue into the future.
4. The share of employment in finance has increased significantly and this share (portion/zone) is expected to continue rising to stand at around 15% in 2025.
5. There was little variance in the data for retail in the period 1995 to 2015, and there is unlikely to be much variance (continuation/ movement) in the figures in the near future.

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Unit 5: Exercise 5

Read the information. Then read the sentences. Do they correctly reflect the information shown in the table? Choose Yes if they do or No if they include irrelevant, inaccurate or inappropriate details.

Inclusion of irrelevant, inaccurate or inappropriate details that are not shown in the data will limit a response to Band 6 for Task Achievement in IELTS Writing Task 1:

- irrelevant: this task requires you to objectively analyse and present the key data so do not add information which is not mentioned. Neither should you speculate as to reasons why the data is what it is nor give personal opinions on what the data shows.
- inaccurate: make sure when you do include data from the table that what you write precisely reflects the graphical information. It's a good idea to double check that the data you present is correct when you finish.
- inappropriate: this task should adopt the correct tone and style for a piece of academic writing so avoid informal or colloquial language.

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1. The number of people employed in agriculture fell dramatically between 1995 and 2015; needless to say, there is likely to be more unemployment in this area in the future.
   - Yes
   - No
2. Roughly the same percentage of workers were employed in construction during the period 1995 to 2015 and this figure is unlikely to change in the next few years.
   - Yes
   - No
3. The amount of work that those employed in transportation had to do experienced a considerable increase, rising from 3% in 1995 to a predicted 13% in 2025.
   - Yes
   - No
4. Finance has become an extremely important sector for Country A's economy, with its share rising from 3% to 8% by 2015, and if you ask me, this is probably because jobs in the financial sector pay loads of money.
   - Yes
   - No
5. The percentage of people who worked in retail remained constant in 1995, 2005 and 2015, and this trend is unlikely to change considerably by the end of the period shown
   - Yes
   - No
6. It is striking that manufacturing declined during the years 1995, 2005 and 2015, with figures of 25%, 15% and 12%, and, moreover, it is forecast to continue to decrease because nobody likes this type of job.
   - Yes
   - No

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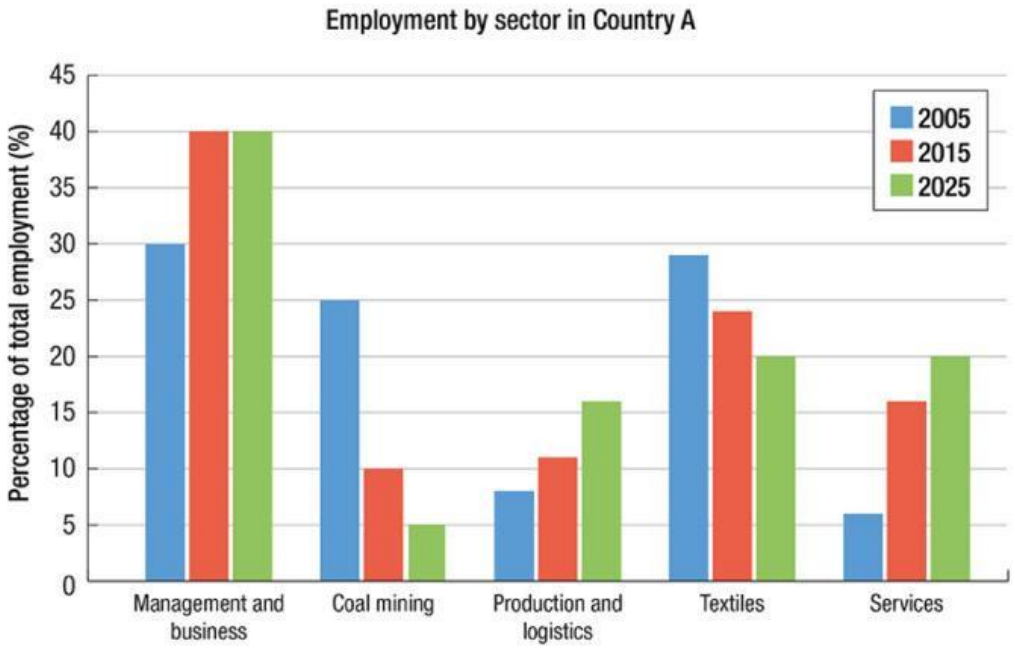
Unit 5: Exercise 6

Read the information. Then read the IELTS Writing Task 1 question and the introductions to some responses to the task. Would the introductions receive a word count penalty for copying from the question? Choose Yes or No.

It is essential that the introduction to Task 1 paraphrases the wording in the question.

The bar chart below shows the total percentage of people employed in different sectors of the economy in Country A in 2005 and 2015 with projections for 2025.
Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.



1. The bar chart shows the total percentage of people employed in different sectors of the economy in Country A in 2005 and 2015 with projections for 2025.
   - Yes
   - No
2. The data depicts the number of people who work in different areas of a country's economy in 2005 and 2015 and makes forecasts for 2025 in percentages.
   - Yes
   - No
3. The chart illustrates the percentage of people employed in five sectors of a country's economy in the years 2005 and 2015 with predictions for 2025.
   - Yes
   - No
4. The chart shows the percentage of people employed in several sectors of the economy in Country A over a period of 20 years.
   - Yes
   - No
5. In the chart, I can see the percentage of people employed in different sectors of the economy in Country A in 2005 and 2015 and projections for 2025.
   - Yes
   - No

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Unit 5: Exercise 7

Choose the correct discourse markers to complete the sentences.

1. In terms of/ Obviously/ With reference to management and business will continue to be the most important sector for employment in the future.
2. The textile industry will experience a decline in the proportion of people employed, falling from about 30% to a projected rate of 20% in 2025, in comparison to/ interestingly/ whereas the figures for both the service and the production and logistic sectors are predicted to rise to 15% and 20%, respectively.
3. It is clear/ Moving on to/ Surprisingly that coal mining is no longer as important as it once was in terms of employment. From a peak of 25%, it fell to 10% in 2005 and is forecast to fall further to just under 5% in 2025.
4. By contrast/ In comparison to/ In terms of the textile sector, the service industry has undergone a rise in employment, rising from just over 5% in 2005 to approximately 15% in 2015. In the future, both of these sectors are predicted to reach 20% in 2025.
5. Interestingly/ Nevertheless/ Whereas , people working in the management and business sector and the textile industry in Country A accounted for roughly the same percentage, at about 30%, in 2005.
6. Obviously/ Surprisingly/ With reference to the trend for employment in production and logistics, it has seen a steady rise, starting from about 8% and reaching 10% in 2015. This phenomenon is likely to continue and it will most probably rise to about 15% in 2025.

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Unit 5: Exercise 8

Choose the correct words and phrases to complete the sentences about the chart.

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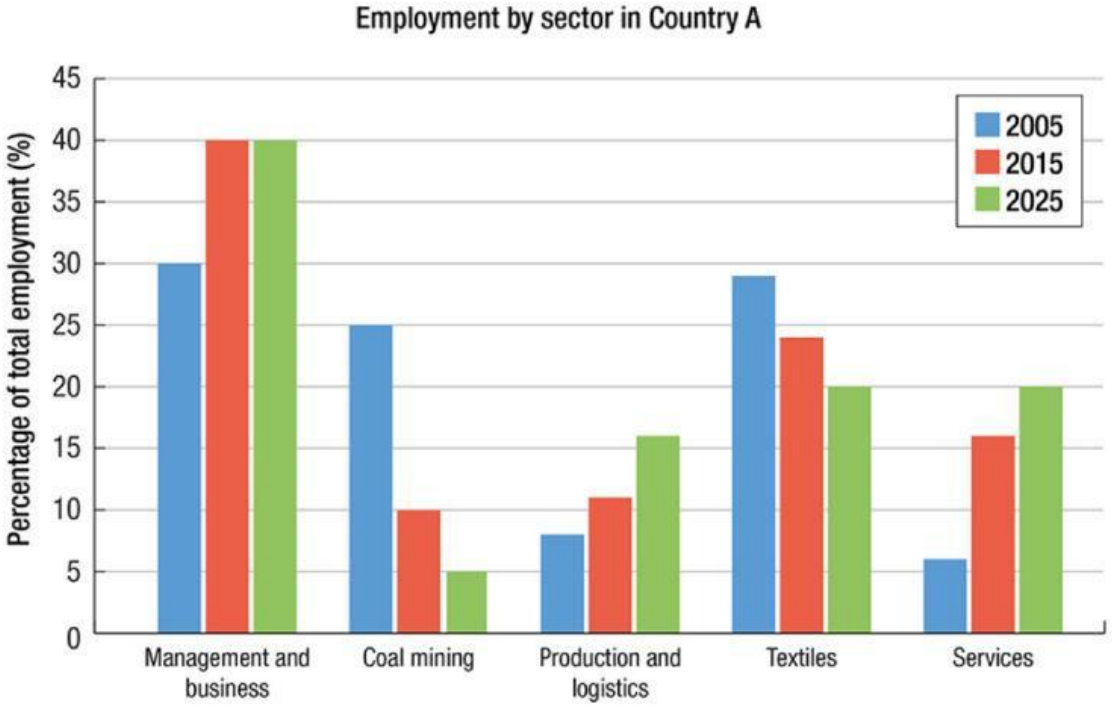

1. There will be roughly a fivefold/ quadruple/ quintet decrease in the percentage of people employed in the coal mining industry during the period depicted.
2. The percentage of people working in the field of production and logistics will double/ twofold/ twice between 2005 and 2025.
3. The percentage of people working in the services industry is likely to more than threefold/ triple/ third between the years 2005 and 2025.
4. In 2005, 30% of workers were employed in management and business, and this figure rose to reach a tenth/ two-fifths/ two-thirds of the total working population in 2015.
5. A few of/ By far the fewest/ Far fewer people will be involved in coal mining in 2025 compared to 2005.
6. Approximately the same percentage of people will be employed in the field of management and business in 2015 as/than/then in 2025.

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Unit 5: Exercise 9

Read the information. Then read the summary paragraphs of the data shown in the chart. Do they include inaccurate, inappropriate or irrelevant information? Choose the correct responses.

Remember that in order to achieve a higher band, it is important that your essay does not include any inaccurate, inappropriate or irrelevant information.
• *inaccurate*: uses information which is incorrect based on the data presented in the chart
• *inappropriate*: uses informal or colloquial language that you wouldn't typically see in an academic piece of writing
• *irrelevant*: contains information which isn't presented in the chart

The bar chart below shows the total percentage of people employed in different sectors of the economy in Country A in 2005 and 2015 with projections for 2025.

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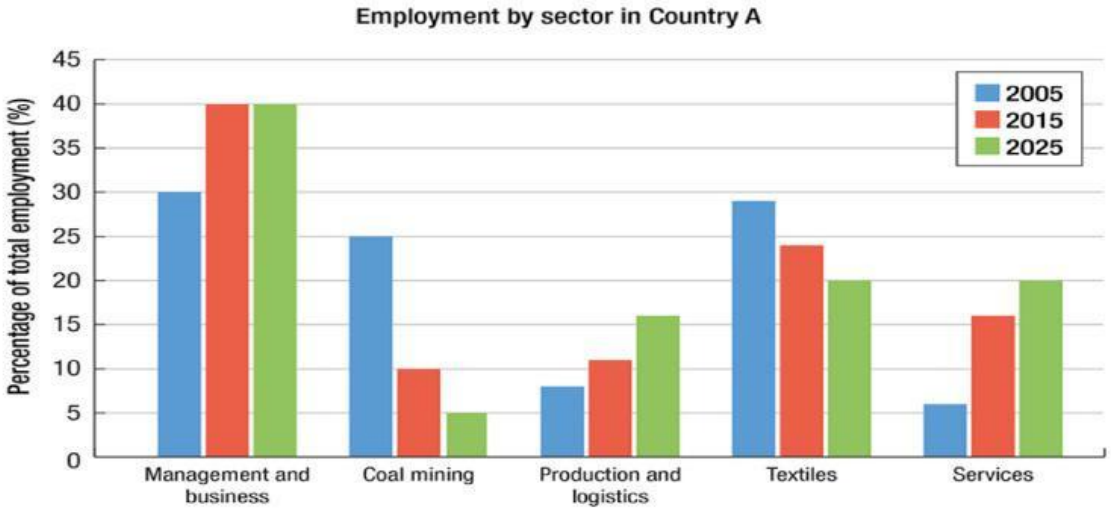

1. To summarise, more people were working in management over the period shown and this trend is expected to continue. Whilst those employed in the coal mining and textile sectors will both decrease dramatically and those involved in services and production and logistics will remain roughly the same. inaccurate/ inappropriate/ irrelevant
2. In conclusion, there are many more graduates in financial subjects now, so it stands to reason that there will be more people working in the area of management and business in future years in comparison to the other sectors of the economy such as coal mining. inaccurate/ inappropriate/ irrelevant
3. So overall, loads of people are going to be working in the management and business sector in the future whereas coal mining and textiles employment are in complete free fall. inaccurate/ inappropriate/ irrelevant

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Unit 5: Exercise 10

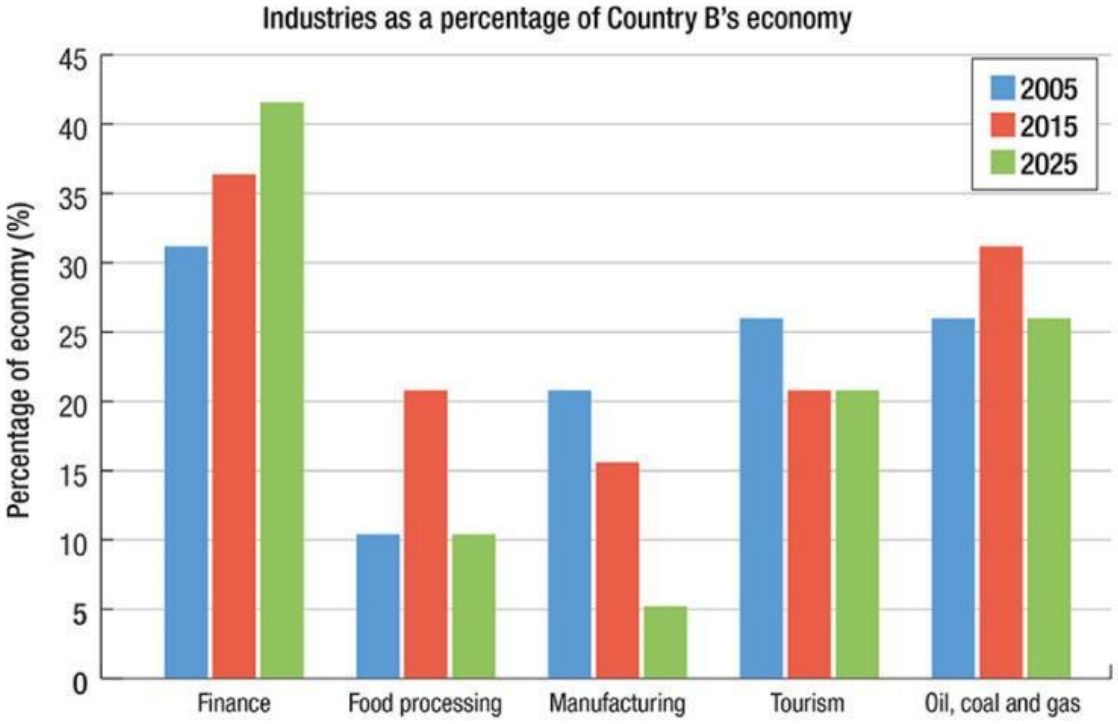
WRITING TASK 1

You should spend 20 minutes on this task

The bar chart below illustrates five different industries' percentage share of Country B's economy in 1995 and 2015 with a forecast for 2025.

Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.



Move to ***Write&Improve*** to complete this exercise.

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Unit 5: Exercise 11

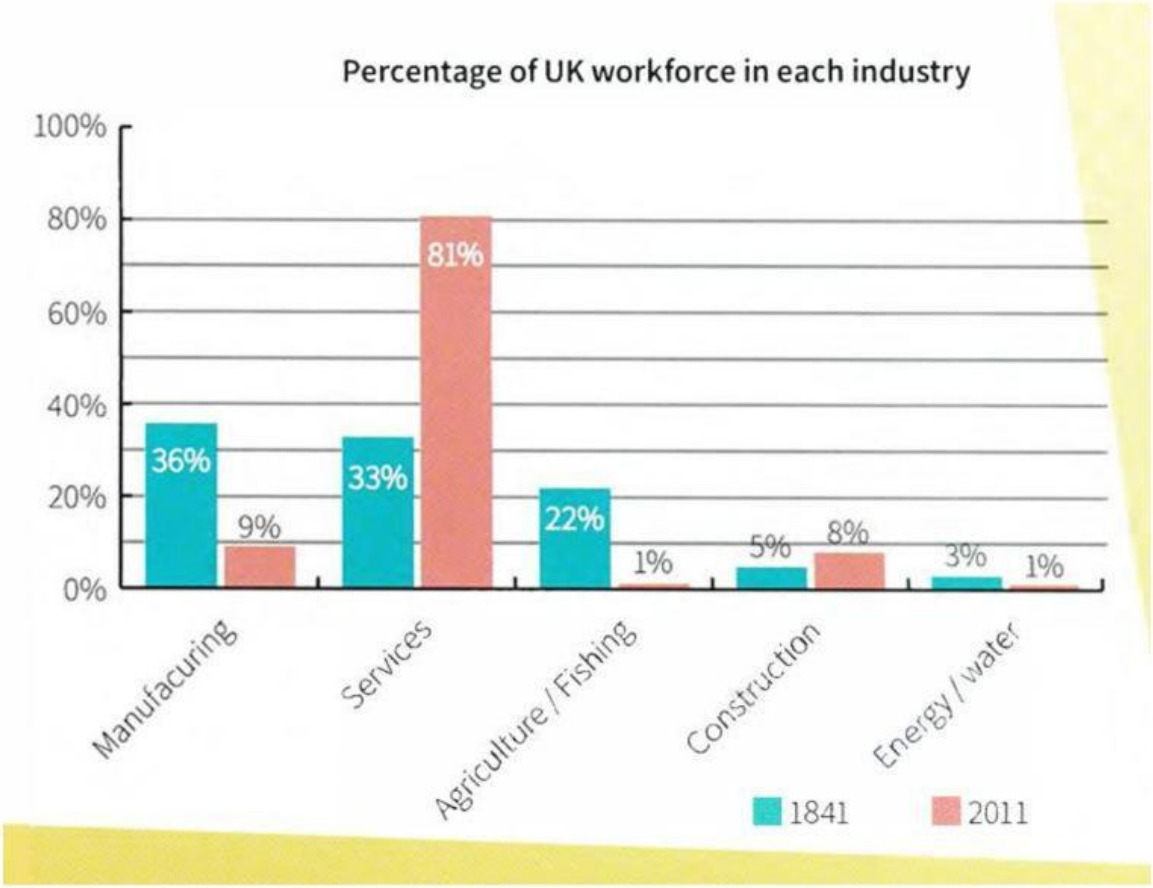
WRITING TASK 1

You should spend 20 minutes on this task

The bar chart shows the percentages of the UK workforce in five major industries in 1841 and 2011.

Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.



Move to ***Write&Improve*** to complete this exercise.

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