

Test tip

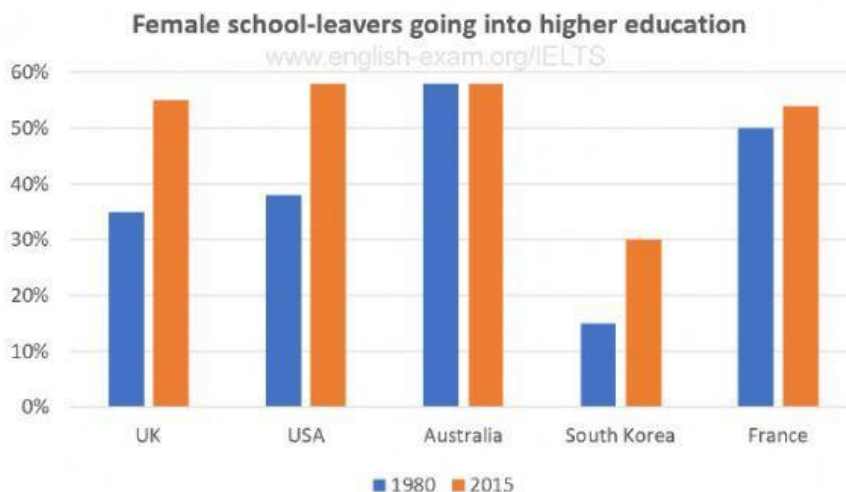
Inclusion of irrelevant, inaccurate or inappropriate details that are not shown in the data will limit a response to Band 6 for Task Achievement in **IELTS Writing Task 1**:

- **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.

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The chart gives information on the percentage of women going into higher education in five countries for the years 1980 and 2015.

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



Model answer (164 words)

The bar chart shows the percentage of females entering higher education in the years 1980 and 2015. The chart shows the percentages in five countries, the UK, the USA, Australia, South Korea and France. Overall, the proportion of women in higher education increased in the five countries.

In general, there were more female students in 2015 than in 1980, with more than half of women in higher education in all of the countries apart from South Korea. In four of the countries, the percentage of women going into higher education rose.

The most dramatic change was in South Korea, where the percentage doubled from 15% to 30%. The smallest change was seen in France, where the number increased only from 50% to 54%. The only country in which there was not an increase was Australia. Although the percentage of Australian women going into higher education remained the same at 58%, this was the highest in 1980 and equal highest with the USA in 2015.

IELTS Tip

In **IELTS Writing** Task 1, you need to take special care to avoid repetition of words and phrases. If you simply copy your **introduction** directly from the Writing task on the question paper, this will not be considered as part of your writing. Instead you need to reword, or paraphrase, the information. This is an important academic skill.

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The chart and graph below give information about participants who have entered the Olympics since it began.

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

Write at least 150 words.

