

Writing Task 1

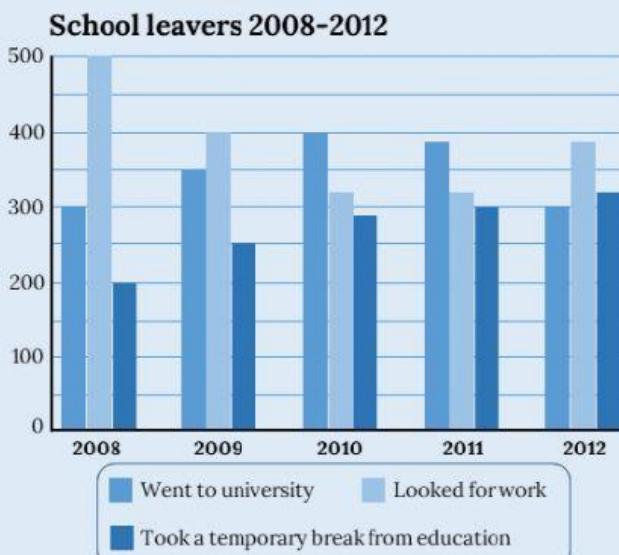
1 Look at the graph below and complete this introductory sentence by arranging the expressions in the box.

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The graph gives...

The graph below gives the results of a survey showing what 1,000 young people did after leaving school between 2008 and 2012.

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



by just over by the same amount significant changes continuous and steady differences less marked stagnating more detailed most noticeable fluctuated the same

At the beginning of the five-year period, about half of the school leavers surveyed looked for work. Of the remaining 500, 300 went to university and 200 took a temporary break from their education. By the end of the five years, however, the figures for those seeking employment and for those taking a break from their education had seen 1..... The former had fallen 2..... a hundred, while the latter had risen 3..... Meanwhile, the number of school leavers going to university was 4.....

it had been at the beginning of the period. Overall, the 5..... between the three groups had become 6.....

A 7..... look at the graph reveals that the number of school leavers going to university and the number of leavers looking for work

8..... Between 2008 and 2010, the former increased while the latter decreased. Then in 2011 and 2012, the number of those going to university fell, while after 9..... briefly in 2011, the number of those looking for employment rose. The number of school leavers taking a break from their education saw a

10..... rise.

Overall, the 11..... changes involved the number of school leavers looking for work and those taking a break from education. This shows that more young people planned to enter higher education, even though they decided to wait a while before doing so.

3 Now write your answer to this Writing task in about 20 minutes. Your answer should be at least 150 words long.

The graph below shows the percentage change in places where students lived over five decades. Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

