Writing Task 2

1 Read the following Writing task and underline the main points to consider.

> Write about the following topic:
>
> *The purpose of businesses is to make money and they should concentrate only on this.*
>
> *Do you agree or disagree?*
>
> Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your knowledge or experience.

2 Look at these student ideas for paragraphs. Which of these ideas would make suitable paragraphs for an answer? Write *Yes* or *No*.

A businesses and the environment .....
B the most successful business sectors .....
C how to start a business .....
D the need to make profits .....
E why some businesses fail .....
F treatment of employees .....
G why people choose a particular career .....
H businesses and the local community .....

3 The following are phrases that could be used in an answer to this Writing task. Complete them with the correct prepositions.

1 making money is an important part ...of... what companies do
2 businesses play an important role ..... society
3 businesses want to make profits ..... what they produce
4 companies that lose a lot of money can go ..... business
5 companies do business ..... other companies
6 a company's attitude ..... the people who work for it
7 businesses should also make a contribution ..... society
8 companies should pay attention ..... other matters
9 profitable companies may take ..... more workers
10 businesses need to give thought ..... other matters

4 Now write your answer for the Writing task above.

Grammar

Relative pronouns and relative clauses

1 Complete these sentences about shopping with relative pronouns.

1 The town ...where... I live has lots of shops.
2 The shops ..... I like most are all local.
3 The people ..... work in the local shops are all friendly.
4 My favourite shop is the clothes shop ..... I buy most of my clothes.
5 I first went there ten years ago, ... I was a teenager.
6 It sells clothes by designers ..... clothes I really like.
7 It has assistants ..... are very friendly and helpful.
8 And it sells clothes at prices ..... I can afford!

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2 Complete this description of someone's job with the relative clauses in the box.

where there is a problem	when he left	
which is	which need	~~whose name is~~
who don't know	which describe	which involves

The mystery shopper

I have a friend (1) ...whose name is... Graham. He has a job (2) ..... very interesting. He started this job last year, (3) ..... college. He is a 'mystery shopper', (4) ..... going to shops (5) ..... and pretending to be a customer. He talks to staff in shops, (6) ..... he's working for the company. He then writes reports (7) ..... his experience in the shops. He describes aspects of the service (8) ..... to improve.

3 Combine the pairs of sentences in *a* about supermarkets in Britain, using a relative clause.

1 a Tesco is one of Britain's biggest supermarket chains. It employs over 50,000 people.
b Tesco, ...which is one of Britain's biggest supermarket chains, employs... over 50,000 people.

2 a Tesco's profits are very high. It is one of Britain's most successful companies.
b Tesco, ... one of one of Britain's most successful companies.

3 a In the 1980s supermarkets began to appear all over Britain. Tesco was one of the main ones.
b In the 1980s, ... was one of the main ones.

4 a British people used to buy their food in small shops. They quickly changed to shopping in supermarkets.
b British people, ... to shopping in supermarkets.

5 a In small towns, many small shops have closed. People go to out-of-town supermarkets instead.
b In small towns, ... go to out-of-town supermarkets instead.

6 a Supermarkets now sell a variety of things. They are a fundamental part of the British way of life.
b Supermarkets, ... a fundamental part of the British way of life.

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