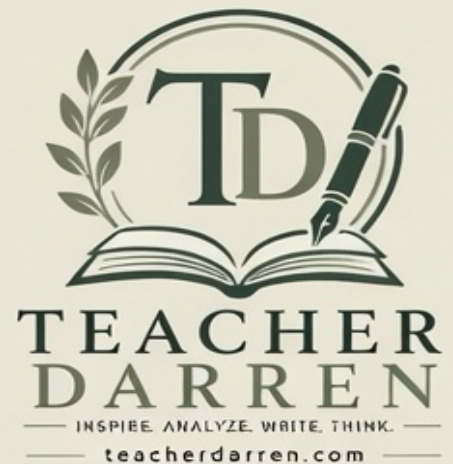


The Carter English Curriculum™

Reading • Writing • Thinking

Grade 9 – Cambridge IGCSE English Language (0500)



Summary Writing

Module 6: Writing a Complete Summary

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Writing a Complete IGCSE Summary

Learning Objective

Students will write a complete summary using notes, categories, and paraphrased ideas.

The Complete Summary Process

Strong summary writers follow a process.

Step 1

Identify the focus.

Step 2

Select relevant information.

Step 3

Create notes.

Step 4

Group ideas.

Step 5

Write summary sentences.

Step 6

Build a complete summary.

Today you will complete the final step.

The Question

Read the question carefully.

According to Text B, what are the various attractions of cycle touring?

You must:

- ✓ use continuous writing
 - ✓ use your own words as far as possible
 - ✓ include only relevant information
 - ✓ write no more than 120 words
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Step 1: Review the Notes

Below are the notes gathered from the passage.

Social Experiences

- friendly locals
- interesting conversations
- support from cyclists

Nature and Scenery

- wildlife
- flowers
- forests
- beaches

Personal Growth

- discover strengths
- build confidence
- overcome challenges

Travel Experiences

- villages
- unusual meals
- daily adventures
- seeing the world

Step 2: Review the Summary Plan

A strong summary often moves from general ideas to more specific benefits.

Opening

Travel experiences

Body

Social experiences

Nature and scenery

Closing

Personal growth

Step 3: Sentence Building

Use your notes to complete the summary skeleton.

Sentence 1

Cycle touring offers opportunities to

Sentence 2

Travellers can also

Sentence 3

The journey allows cyclists to

Sentence 4

In addition, cycle touring helps people

Step 4: Draft Summary

Combine your sentences into a complete summary.

Remember:

- ✓ no personal opinions
- ✓ no unnecessary details
- ✓ no copied phrases
- ✓ focus only on attractions

Draft Summary

Step 5: Self-Assessment Checklist

Read your summary and check each box.

Content

- ☐ I only included attractions.
 - ☐ I included information from throughout the text.
 - ☐ I avoided irrelevant details.
 - ☐ I combined similar ideas.
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Writing

- ☐ I used my own words.
 - ☐ I wrote in complete sentences.
 - ☐ I used formal language.
 - ☐ My summary is concise.
 - ☐ My summary is under 120 words.
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Common Mistakes

Mistake 1: Including Disadvantages

Wrong:

“Cycle touring can be boring and cyclists may worry about broken bicycles.”

These are NOT attractions.

Mistake 2: Copying the Text

Wrong:

“We discover that we’re capable of so much more than we ever thought possible.”

This is copied from the passage.

Better:

“Travellers develop confidence and discover their strengths.”

Mistake 3: Listing Notes

Wrong:

“Friendly locals, cyclists, villages, meals and wildlife.”

This is a list.

Better:

“Cycle touring allows travellers to meet friendly people, explore local communities and enjoy nature.”

Challenge Task

Your first summary should be approximately 80–100 words.

Now improve it.

Remove:

- repetition
- unnecessary words
- weak phrases

Try to reduce your summary by 10–15 words without losing any important information.

Reflection

Which part of summary writing do you find most difficult?

- ☐ Identifying relevant information
- ☐ Note-making
- ☐ Grouping ideas
- ☐ Paraphrasing
- ☐ Writing summary sentences
- ☐ Staying within the word limit

Explain your answer.

Final Assessment

Write a complete summary answering the question:

According to Text B, what are the various attractions of cycle touring?

Success Criteria

I can:

- ✓ identify relevant information
 - ✓ create effective notes
 - ✓ group ideas logically
 - ✓ paraphrase information
 - ✓ write summary sentences
 - ✓ produce a complete summary
 - ✓ remain within the word limit
 - ✓ use formal summary style
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Extension Challenge

Count the words in your summary.

Word Count: _____

Would your summary still make sense if it were 20 words shorter?

If yes, revise it again.

Strong summary writers are also strong editors.