**Level 2 EmSAT Writing Exam Practice – Part 2**

**Identifying and answering a *Description* question**

What things do you need for a good holiday?

Use reasons and examples in your response.

Write at least 150 words.

You have 30 minutes

1. **Which 3 things are the most important for a good holiday? Can you add more things to this list?**

* there is good shopping
* it has lots of restaurants
* there are a lot of interesting sights to see
* it has many activities to choose from
* it is quiet and peaceful
* it has a good beach
* it is very different from home
* it is cheap
* the weather is cooler than in the UAE

1. **Discuss in groups:**

Which 3 things did you choose? Why did you choose them? (These will become your reasons and examples.) Then put these things in order from 1-3. Write this in your notebook.

1. **Remember some of the phrases from last week’s the model essay. You can use the introduction and the phrases/linking words below.**

Most people like going on holiday. But what makes a good holiday? In this essay, I will look at three things that you need for a good holiday.

In my opinion, the most important thing you need for a good holiday is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. This means \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Another important thing is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. This means that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Thirdly, a good holiday \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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For example, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

In conclusion, there are many things that can make your holiday good, but the most important thing is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Now, you will write your own essay about what things you need for a good holiday. First, write your top 3 ideas under ‘Main Idea’, and your own supporting ideas under ‘Supporting Ideas’. Type your essay onto a Microsoft Word document.**

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|  | **Paragraph topic** | **Main Idea** | **Supporting Ideas** |
| **1** | telling the reader the topic and what they will read in the essay |  |  |
| **2** | the **most important** thing you need for a good holiday |  |  |
| **3** | the **second most important** thing you need for a good holiday |  |  |
| **4** | the **third most important** thing you need for a good holiday |  |  |
| **5** | conclude the paragraph by repeating the most important thing you need for a good holiday |  |  |

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| **Connecting Words: Connecting words** are very important. They help the reader understand what is an example, what is a reason, what is the first, middle, or last idea, and the way you organizeyour paragraph. You must use **connecting words** correctly, with or without commas. | | | |
| **Introduce ideas** | **Idea order** | **Reasons why** | **Examples** |
| In this essay, | First, Firstly, First of all, | This means that… | For example, |
| In my opinion, | Second, Secondly, Second of all, |  | For instance, |
| In conclusion, | Next, After that, |  |  |
|  | Finally, Last of all, |  |  |