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CAE Exam Practice Writing 1

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CAE Writing, Paper 2, Part 1

You **must** answer this question. Write your answer in **180–220** words in an appropriate style.

1 For the past year, you have been working as a personal assistant to a famous movie star. Your friend Chris has written to you asking about it. Read the extract from you friend's letter and from your diary below, and write a letter to your friend saying whether or not you would recommend the job to your friend and giving your reasons.

Do you think I'd like the job? I especially want to make lots of good film industry connections. I'd like to eventually become a film director. If I could use my knowledge of film and get some work experience at the same time, that would be fantastic!

Cheers, Chris

Feb 2

Picked up drycleaning. Arranged a limo. At least 100 phone calls today - typical.

Feb 4

Pay day! At least the pay's great. Five minutes small talk with Mr. Scorcese today—real gentleman.

Feb 10

Got yelled at by the boss. She's stressed about the Academy Awards and her designer gown.

Feb 15

Only a few more days until the Awards. Can't wait to meet more stars!

Write your **letter**. You do not need to include postal addresses.

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Write an answer to **one** of the questions **2–5** in this part. Write your answers in **220–260** words in an appropriate style. Put the question number in the box at the top of the page.

2 You see this announcement on a community bulletin board.

BEST CITIZEN AWARD

We want you to nominate someone in your community who you think deserves the title best citizen. Your entry should mention:

- what this person has done for the community
- why this person is different from other good citizens
- what we can learn from this person

Write your **competition entry**.

3 A new student magazine is looking for a new music reviewer. You need to submit a review of a music group you are familiar with. You should describe the band and its music; what makes the group different, interesting or exciting; the impact you think they have made on music and popular culture.

Write your review.

4 You have been picked to become a salesperson in your company. Your first task will be to write a letter to a possible new customer. You should introduce yourself, explain what your company does and how they do it and how this customer would benefit from using your company's products or services.

Write your **letter**.



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5 Answer **one** of the following two questions based on **one** of the titles below. Write the letter **(a)** or **(b)** as well as the number 5 in the question box.

(a) Lucky Jim by Kingsley Amis

A famous film director is thinking of making a film of *Lucky Jim*, but he hasn't read it. Write a report for him about the main characters in the book and explain why certain actors (either imaginary or famous such as Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie) would or would not be suitable as members of the cast.

Write your **report**.

(b) The Pelican Brief by John Grisham

A friend of yours is teaching English in a remote town with no bookshop or library. He needs some ideas for books he can order over the internet. Write him a letter explaining why he would (or would not enjoy) *The Pelican Brief*.

Write your **letter**.

The above set texts are valid for 2008-09, 2009-10.

The set texts for 2010–2011 are *Of Mice and Men* by John Steinbeck and *Through a Glass, Darkly* by Donna Leon.

Set texts change every two years. Future titles are available online.

Other appropriate level books could include the following:

The Firm by John Grisham
Ripley's Game by Patricia Highsmith
On the Road by Jack Kerouac