

## Understanding IELTS Techniques for English Language Tests

## WEEK 6: A teacher's view of Task 2

**NEIL:** This Academic Task Two essay looks at the question of job satisfaction and what that means both to the individual and in a wider context. This task requires you to write at least 250 words, and this essay, at a little over 260 is an ideal length.

This is an extremely well-written, well-argued and well-constructed essay which would certainly score highly in all four of the criteria measured. In terms of task response, the essay comprehensively deals with all aspects of the tasks and presents a well-developed response with a number of relevant supporting ideas.

As far as cohesion and coherence go, it is paragraphed appropriately, the information is sequenced and presented logically and clearly, and a number of cohesive devices are used effectively.

The vocabulary range shown is appropriate to the task and is handled confidently and fluently throughout. There are one or two slips such as the spelling of 'idial', and the slightly confused closing sentence, but these are not serious issues.

Finally, in terms of grammar, the majority of the sentences are error-free. And taken together all four criteria indicate a very successful essay.