



Practise and consolidate your learning about grammar and spelling by completing our activities. The answers for **all** activities are on page 3.

ACTIVITY 1

Here is a concluding paragraph from a sample IELTS Task 2 essay. There are some grammatical and spelling errors. The errors have been identified and a number placed before them. Correct the mistake in the table that follows.

In conclusion, while some concrete strategies **1 is** firmly in place for **2 minimise** waste, the business world has not yet fully heeded the serious and alarming **3 consequence** of **4 his** inaction. The environment should be everyone's **5 responsible**. **6 Industres** should be forced through government legislation to establish **7 the** waste management program so that future generations can enjoy a cleaner environment.

No	Error	
1	subject-verb agreement	...while some concrete strategies 1 is firmly in place for 2 minimise waste ...
	Correction	
2	word form	... while some concrete strategies 1 is firmly in place for 2 minimise waste ...
	Correction	
3	number	... the serious and alarming 3 consequence
	Correction	
4	referent	... the serious and alarming 3 consequence of 4 his inaction.
	Correction	
5	word form should be everyone's 5 responsible
	Correction	
6	spelling	6 Industres
	Correction	
7	article	... to establish 7 the waste management program
	Correction	



ACTIVITY 2

There is either a spelling or punctuation error in the sentences below. Write the correction in the right-hand column.

	Sentence with a spelling or punctuation mistake	Correction
1	Salmon is mostly caught in the Atlantic ocean.	
2	The first semester at UTS starts at the end of february.	
3	It is adviced to get a good night's rest before the test.	
4	Stone fruit is harvested in the Summer.	
5	There are several dormant volcanos on the island.	
6	Protecting the enviroment is of paramount importance.	
7	The students preferred studying in an english-speaking country.	
8	New Year's eve is not considered a public holiday.	
9	If you like meat, you'll enjoy brazilian cuisine.	
10	The elderly were advised to wear lose clothing in the heat.	



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No	Grammatical or Spelling Error	Correction
1	subject-verb agreement	...while some concrete strategies 1 is are firmly in place for minimising waste ...
2	word form	... while some concrete strategies 1 are firmly in place for 2 minimise minimising waste ...
3	number	... the serious and alarming 3 consequence consequences
4	referent	the serious and alarming 3 consequences of 4 his its inaction.
5	word form	... should be everyone's 5 responsible responsibility [adjective → noun]
6	spelling	6 Industres Industries
7	article	to establish 5 the a waste management program [needs an indefinite article because it is the first time this specific program is mentioned]

ANSWERS ACTIVITY 2

	Sentence with a spelling or punctuation mistake	Correction
1	Salmon is mostly caught in the Atlantic ocean.	Ocean
2	The first semester at UTS starts at the end of february.	February
3	It is adviced to get a good night's rest before the test.	advised
4	Stone fruit is harvested in the Summer.	summer
5	There are several dormant volcanos on the island.	volcanoes
6	Protecting the enviroment is of paramount importance.	environment
7	The students preferred studying in an english-speaking country.	English(-speaking)
8	New Year's eve is not considered a public holiday.	Eve
9	If you like meat, you'll enjoy brazilian cuisine.	Brazilian
10	The elderly were advised to wear lose clothing in the heat.	loose