

Worksheet: Key to IELTS Video 2- The Solutions

Task 1

This task will help improve your listening as well as the accuracy of your writing.

A) Listen to the audio only and fill in the blanks with ONE WORD ONLY. You can also try to fill in the blanks before listening, then listen to check your answers.

In _____ video, we identified _____ key problems _____ preparing _____ IELTS. I _____, _____ problems, you need _____ changes. So, let's look _____ solutions and changes _____.

B) Now fill in the blanks with the correct preposition:

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| 1. To prepare _____ something | 3. To need _____ |
| 2. To point _____ | 4. To look _____ |

Answers: 1) for, 2) out, 3) to, 4) at

Task 2 and 3

All of the gaps below are examples of different types of cohesive device (used to connect ideas). Your use of these devices is assessed in speaking (Fluency and coherence) and in writing (Coherence and cohesion).

Task 2)

Listen and fill in the gaps with one word only. Think about how these words help to 1) show how ideas are connected and 2) avoid repetition.

We can group _____ problems together, _____ the myths and misinformation about IELTS are often _____ using _____ practice test materials. _____ makes _____ relatively easy to solve.

Task 3

A) Fill in the gaps with one word

_____, _____ work in _____ the _____ test, _____ force you to use _____ skills. _____ help you practise and develop _____ you'll need _____ a high score in _____.

B) Try to complete all of this sentence:

Secondly, _____, and _____.

C) Now practise saying the above sentence aloud.

- Copy the intonation and stress patterns I use in the video.
- Be sure to 'chunk' words together. For example, saying 'andjure' (instead of 'and – you – are').

Task 4: Guessing the meaning of unknown words

(This task helps you to use a strategy that high-scorers are able to use in a test: working out the meaning of unknown words based on the context. In other words, using what you know, to work out what you don't know.)

As you watch the final section, listen out for the words and phrases (1-5) below. Circle the words when you hear them, then match the words to the correct meaning (A-H) in the box.

A) sharp increases	B) a narrow covered path	C) something in your way	D) a little frightening or worrying
E) hidden or buried	F) something you are able to do	G) small increases	H) a type of road

List of words:

1. obstacle
2. passageway
3. marginal gains
4. manageable
5. daunting

Answers: 1) C, 2) B, 3) G, 4) F, 5) D

Make a note of any vocabulary or grammatical structures you would like to learn and try to use it in your next writing practice (for example, review the use of comparatives in this section).
