

General Training Writing Task 2 Serial Dramas

WRITING TASK 2

You should spend about 40 minutes on this task.

Write about the following topic:

Many serial dramas on TV (e.g. 'soap operas' or 'soaps') play an important social role.

Do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

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In Mauritius, ~~as~~ most ^{families} ~~families~~ have a television and nowadays the favorite programme of each and everybody are soap operas such as "Sass bhi kabhi bahu thi, keheta hai dil or, friends or Munna Bawa".

These plays have a different impact on ~~diffent~~ different people. Our elderly population enjoy the Indian soap operas very much as they ~~the~~ tend to ~~show~~ ~~as~~ be subjected on ways of life and cultures. These plays ~~also~~ are also a very relaxing past time for ~~or~~ the old people. But, they ~~a~~ do have an impact on them, ~~they~~ all these 'soaps' have the tendency of showing how youngsters respect and love their parents or grand parents whereas in the reality this is not so. These kind of deceptions do sometimes lead to conflicts, misunderstandings or even suicide in some ~~rare~~ rare cases, as our older generation is very ^{sensitive} ~~These~~ ~~of~~ ~~and~~, soft hearted and get discouraged very easily.

~~These serial dramas are~~ The second age of people which these ~~of~~ serial dramas affect are the

children and teenagers. ~~They are very~~ At this age, they let themselves ~~are very~~ be influenced by anything. They do not know how to discriminate between what is good or bad. They act just as the heroes or heroines of these plays ^{in the society}. Sometimes, they can be violent, aggressive ~~or~~ and the very next moment they are well behaved and nice persons. I would also add that these 'soaps' prevent many people to have a social life and children from learning. They are diffused throughout the day and people neglect everything ~~at~~ ^{else} around them to watch these.

All these dramas give a false ~~view~~ ^{impression} of life. They are exaggerated. But they provide a very easy way of relaxation and ~~spend~~ to spend time with one's family.

So, finally, I would agree that ~~to~~ many serial dramas do have a social role but not in all cases. ^{and not one important one} Some of them are very down to earth and realistic. They show the hardships of life and help the population to protect itself and be prepared for what is in the future. There is a group of people ^{whose} ~~whose~~ life are not affected by these soaps and they still lead a happy and peaceful life.



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This is a thoughtful and considered response that addresses all parts of the task. Ideas are developed and supported, though some could be more clearly focused on the social role of serial dramas. Nevertheless, the approach is germane to the issue under discussion and the conclusions drawn are clear and relevant. The answer flows well and the progression of the argument is logical throughout. There are lapses in paragraph development and occasional awkwardness in referencing that limit the rating. Cohesion is otherwise handled well. The candidate uses a wide range of vocabulary and skilfully incorporates less common words and phrases. There are occasional errors in word choice and spelling. Overall, grammar is well-controlled and a range of sentence types is used with confidence. Errors in articles, agreement and verb phrases are more than occasional and punctuation is faulty at times.