

## WRITING TIPS AND MODEL ANSWER

## UNIT 1 &gt;&gt;&gt; Be extreme!

Task type:	Write an article
Subskill:	Edit and proofread a text

## Task summary:

- This writing task is an **article**. You should write about **the history of a sport**.
- The focus of this writing lesson is **editing and proof reading a text**. Look at the **HOW TO** box on **page 14** for help with this.
- Try to use the **grammatical structures** learned in **Unit 1** in your answer. It should be possible to include examples of the **present tenses (page 9)** and the **past tenses (page 11)** that we've reviewed in this unit.
- Try to use some new **vocabulary** from **page 130** in your answer.
- You should write around **130 words** for this task.

## EXAM TIP

Read the question carefully before you start writing. Make sure you include all of the points you're asked to cover in the rubric.

## Before writing:

Always make a plan! Use the checklist in **Exercise 3** on page 14 to make a plan for this task.

Model Answer

Give your article a title to make it look like a real article.

Do some research on the internet before writing. Make sure the information you give is correct.

Say when and where the sport started.

Give some information about the sport today.

### The History of Bungee Jumping

Compared to sports like football and tennis, bungee jumping is a new invention. However, it's now one of the most popular adventure sports in the world.

The first bungee jump was attempted in 1979 in the UK. David Kirke and Simon Keeling were the first bungee jumpers. They were members of The Oxford University Dangerous Sports Club and they jumped from a bridge. David and Simon were arrested for taking such a huge risk, but the police let them go when they promised not to do it again.

Bungee jumping became popular when New Zealander Alan John Hackett took up the challenge of jumping from the Eiffel Tower. He later started organising bungee jumps for the public and his company now offers bungee jumps in locations around the world.

Give basic information about your chosen sport in the introduction.

Mention some names associated with the sport. They can be the people who invented it or famous sportspeople.

Mention an interesting or unusual fact about the sport or its history.

Did you proofread and edit your work? Is it too short or too long? Check your spelling, punctuation and grammar. Not sure if you've used the right tense? Check your use of tenses on pages 9 and 11.

## GO BEYOND

- ✓ Use a variety of present and past tenses in your article.
- ✓ Use irregular verbs or verbs in the passive to show off your knowledge of grammar.
- ✓ Use collocations (words that go together) that you've learned in the unit, eg *face fears* or *encounter difficulties*.