

National 5 ESOL Writing – Everyday Life

Candidate 1

The evidence and commentary for this candidate were used within the ESOL National 5 and Higher Writing webinar in January 2025.

The candidate presented a very well-rounded response that is strong across all three criteria. Minor errors in spelling and grammar in this response prevented the candidate achieving full marks.

Mark awarded: 14

Content and organisation

The response fully achieves the task with well-developed support for each point made. Writing is coherent and cohesive with a very positive impact on the reader. Style and layout are wholly appropriate. The informal and friendly tone of the response is to be commended. There is clear evidence of structure and paragraphing

Vocabulary and spelling

The candidate uses an optimum range of vocabulary accurately and appropriately, for example, 'You wouldn't believe how amazing...', 'than I ever did before', 'Would you be down to...', 'by the way' and although there are a few spelling errors, these are minor and do not impede communication.

Grammar and punctuation

Similarly, there is an optimum range of grammatical structures – complex sentences throughout, variety of tenses, and any errors are minor. Punctuation is accurate.