

IELTS Task 2

Student: x

Overall Score: 6

Task Response: 7

Coherence and Cohesion: 5

Lexical Resource: 6

Grammar Range & Accuracy: 6

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PATTERN OF MISTAKES:

- Not using correct prepositions: e.g. “integrating technology in” (1st paragraph).
- Important missing elements: e.g. verb ‘are’ (last sentence in 2nd paragraph); conjunction ‘if’ (second sentence in 3rd paragraph); articles ‘the’ and ‘an’ (first sentence in 4th paragraph); and the relative pronoun ‘that’ (second sentence in 4th paragraph).
- Coherence issues: e.g. incorrect sentence order (first sentence in 3rd paragraph); subject-verb disagreement (second sentence in 2nd paragraph); or the phrase “make embrace changes” (last sentence in 3rd paragraph).

OBSERVATION:

Overall, your essay is not bad. You made a good effort in trying to explain a difficult issue. You must be careful with the way you link your ideas. Make sure to use correct expressions, such as “given the”, the relative pronoun ‘that’, and useful words such as ‘regarding’ and ‘concerning’.

Question

Some people support the development of factory farming and the scientific creation of fruits and vegetables in agriculture, but others oppose to these developments. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

The advent of new technology has undoubtedly transformed the face of agriculture worldwide. Despite fears of harmful effects that applying science to (when ‘apply’ means “to use something or make something work in a particular situation”, we use the preposition ‘to’) in farming can have on ~~bring to~~ (this is the correct collocation) people’s health and job security, I believe integrating technology into (when ‘integrate’ means “to combine two or more things so that they work together”, we use the preposition ‘into’) agriculture should be encouraged.

The multitude of advantages (this phrase is incomplete: you should be more specific, for instance, saying “The multitude of advantages related to agricultural science are evident”) when it comes to agricultural science are evident. Firstly, using a variety of machinery in every stage of farming, from sowing to irrigation and harvesting, increases (subject-verb disagreement: “using...increase”) production output dramatically. The utilization of machines also saves considerable costs (in this case, you must pluralize, unless you previously use the article ‘the’ to specify that you are referring to the specific cost of labour) of labour that

otherwise add (I am deleting 's' in order for there not to be a subject-verb disagreement between "costs" and "add")s to the price of fruits and vegetables. Furthermore, science has made it possible for plants to be less prone to hostile environmental conditions such as droughts and lands depleted of nutrients (this order makes more sense; also, using the word 'nutrients')~~nutrition-depleted-land~~. Developing countries are plagued with food shortages and are most benefitted by this type of agricultural innovation as they can sustain themselves with disease-resistant plants.

However, there are concerns over threats to "vegetables consumers' well-being that farming technology can pose" this phrase does not make sense, as the order is incorrect and confusing. Chemical fertilisers and pesticides, despite boosting productivity, can poison consumers if overused or if food is not thoroughly cleaned. In addition, heavily relying on drought-resistant plants and negligence in enriching farming land could ultimately damage agricultural soil to the point of irreversibility (this use of "irreversibility" is somewhat unclear; you could be more specific). Some also raise concerns regarding/concerning the fact that~~that~~ traditional farmers may be out of jobs to favour modern agriculture. Yet, given the (this is the complete idiom: "given the") many benefits that sustainable advanced agriculture has to offer, it is time for conventional farmers to (unnecessary to use 'make' here; moreover, it is incorrect)~~make~~ embrace changes.

Clearly, the technological revolution in farming can benefit humankind in promoting an equal living standard worldwide and an ecosystem balance if applied appropriately. I believe that (remember to use relative pronouns to link ideas correctly) by addressing potential threats that the opposition to modern agricultural (adjectives such as "agricultural" must be followed

| by a noun) has raised, science can serve the best interests of people.