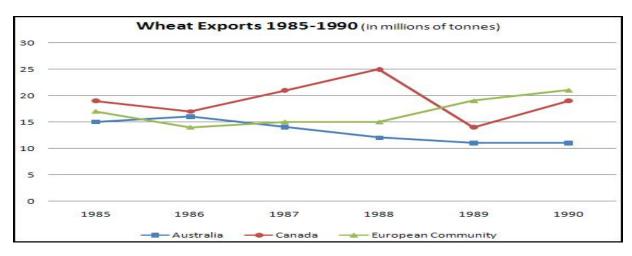
TASK 1
Wheat Exports



What can you see on the vertical axis? **FIGURES in millions of tonnes**What can you see on the horizontal axis? **TIME FRAME** and the **key for each region**What does the title say? **WHEAT EXPORTS** 

What do I need to do to write an introduction? Paraphrase the task.

How many words do I need to write? At least 150

Recognise what 150 words looks like in your own handwriting.

Between 165 and 175 words will give you a good word count.

### **PLANNING**

Take at least 5 minutes to prepare your report.

- A Analyse the question
- **B** Brainstorm the vocabulary
- **C** Choose your response

Australia, Canada, European Community – three regions/three different geographical locations/from three distribution areas – you cannot say countries as they are different regions NOT countries – the European Community is a WHOLE area of countries, not just one.

1985 - 1990 - from 1985 to 1990 / over a period of five years/ over a five year period / the period shown

What does the chart do? It either **shows / illustrates** or **compares** 

What can you write about? Compare 1985 and 1990 for the three regions

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Don't write about each individual line. This is NOT what you are being asked to do. By comparing the **three areas** you are presenting a better report.

## Intro:

There is no **right** or **wrong** answer. You write the report as **YOU** see it. Check the **band score descriptors** to find out what the examiner is looking for as they check your writing.

# **Examples:**

The line graph illustrates the figures for the exportation of wheat in millions of tonnes from three regions. Namely, Australia, Canada, and the European Community, over a five year period from 1985 to 1990. (27 words) - by adding the figures for and in millions of tonnes you would have 34 words.

The line graphs compares the export of wheat from three distribution areas, over a period of five years from 1985 to 1990. (22 words)

**This graph shows** the amount of wheat exported by Australia, Canada and the European Community **during the 5 year period** from year 1985 to 1990 and **compares the amounts in millions of tonnes**. (31 words)

#### **Overview**

### **Examples**

**As can be seen from the graph**, Canadian wheat exports were the same at the beginning and the end of the period. **Exportation of wheat** from Australia decreased over the five years, whereas the European Community increased its wheat exports. (40 words)

It is clear that Canada **exported more wheat** than Australia and the European Community for **most of the period shown**. However, while Canada's wheat exports fluctuated and Australia's fell, wheat exports from the European Community rose steadily.(37 words)

## Body

In 1985, Australia, the European Community and Canada were exporting between 15 and 20 millions of tonnes of wheat. Canada's exports were the highest at just under 20 million. The E.C exports were slightly lower at around 17 millions of tonnes and Australian exports were clearly the lowest at 15 million. Over the next three years, Australia's exports decreased. Exportation of wheat from the E.C remained quite steady, while Canada's exports peaked at 25 millions of tonnes. (77 words)

**By 1990,** Australian exports of wheat had **dropped** to just over 11 million tonnes. **Despite a dramatic drop in 1989,** Canada was still exporting **exactly the same amount,** while the European Community had increased its exportation of wheat to over 20 millions of tonnes. **(38 words)** 

# **WRITING TASK 1**

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The graph below shows the differences in wheat exports in three different areas.

Write a report for a university lecturer describing the information shown below.

Write at least 150 words.

