

Abdul Full Writing feedback

Task

You are due to move into a rented apartment next month but you will not be able to because you have some problems.

Write a letter to the landlord. In your letter:

- explain your situation
- describe your problems
- tell him/her when you think you can move in

Letter

Dear Mr. Black,

I am writing this letter with regards to the apartment occupation scheduled for the next month. **due to I am not going to be able to move in** the date agreed.

I am very interested on taking for rent the apartment. However, **I have some personal issues to solve** first that does not allow me to take the apartment in the exact date we talked.

First of all, one of the main issues is that my college application is not yet finished and is probably that **I am not going to be accepted until the second semester** of this year. **Consequently**, if this happens I will stay for the moment in my home country till I have an answer in this matter. **In addition, I am having trouble with** my study visa. **It seems that the passport with the visa got lost** in mail, so **I have to wait to** solve this. Therefore, according to the immigration office of my country **the process of having a new passport and the student' visa is going to take at least 2 months.**

I would be thankful If there is the option for me to move the date of taking the apartment 6 months later from the initial date planned.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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Grammatical and lexical mistakes

1. with regards to the apartment occupation: with regard to the apartment rental
2. due to I am not going to be able to move in the date agreed: because I am not going to be able to move in on the agreed date
3. interested on taking for rent the apartment: interested in renting the apartment
4. does not allow me to take the apartment in the exact date we talked: does not allow me to move into the apartment on the exact date we agreed
5. is probably that I am not going to be accepted: it is likely that I will not be accepted
6. till I have an answer in this matter: until I have an answer on this matter
7. with the visa got lost in mail: with the visa got lost in the mail
8. the process of having a new passport and the student' visa is going to take at least 2 months: the process of getting a new passport and student visa is going to take at least two months
9. If there is the option for me to move the date of taking the apartment 6 months later: if there is an option for me to move the date of renting the apartment six months later
10. the student' visa: the student's visa



Letter Score

Task Response: Band 5

Abdul, your letter generally addresses the requirements of the task by explaining the situation, describing the problems, and suggesting a new move-in date. However, some parts are unclear or not fully covered, like specific details about the new move-in date. Your purpose is somewhat clear, but it could be expressed more clearly.

Coherence and Cohesion: Band 5

Your letter shows some organization, but the logical flow and overall progression of ideas need improvement. The relationships between your ideas are somewhat clear but not fluently linked. You've made some attempts at using cohesive devices, but they're not always used correctly, and sometimes your referencing is unclear.

Lexical Resource: Band 5

The vocabulary you've used is adequate but somewhat limited, with frequent lapses in appropriateness and flexibility. There are several errors in word choice and formation, such as "on taking for rent" and "visa got lost in mail." While these errors don't completely block understanding, they do reduce clarity and precision.

Grammatical Range and Accuracy: Band 4

Your letter includes a mix of simple and complex sentence forms, but there are frequent grammatical errors that affect readability and clarity. For example, incorrect tense usage ("due to I am not going to be able"), issues with articles ("the apartment occupation," "the exact date"), and punctuation errors. These errors are common and sometimes make it hard to understand your message.

Abdul, by integrating more specific details, improving the flow and structure of your letter, expanding your vocabulary, and paying close attention to grammar, you can elevate your letter to achieve a higher score. These improvements will help your unique voice and experiences shine through more vividly. Keep practicing, and you'll see great progress!



Improving to Achieve a Higher Score

Task Achievement

To get a better task achievement score, you need to be clear and cover all the details. For instance, instead of saying "six months later," try specifying the new move-in date like this: "I'd really appreciate it if we could postpone the move-in date to December 1st, 2024, instead of the originally planned June 1st, 2024." This makes your request clearer and more precise.

Coherence and Cohesion

Making your ideas flow better is key to improving coherence and cohesion. Break up different points into separate paragraphs and use linking words like "Firstly," "Secondly," "Additionally," and "Therefore." For example: "Unfortunately, I am facing delays with my college application, which may not be resolved until the second semester of this year. Additionally, there has been an issue with my study visa, as my passport containing the visa was lost in transit." This way, your letter will read more smoothly.

Lexical Resource

To enhance your vocabulary, try using a wider range of words to express your ideas. Instead of saying "take the apartment," go with "rent the apartment." Also, mix in words like "unfortunately," "regrettably," or "due to unforeseen circumstances" to add variety. For instance: "Unfortunately, I won't be able to rent the apartment next month as planned due to unforeseen circumstances." This will make your writing more engaging and precise.

Grammatical Range and Accuracy

Improving your grammar involves using the right tenses, articles, and punctuation, and mixing up your sentence structures. Change "due to I am not going to be able" to "because I will not be able," and make sure you're using articles and prepositions correctly. An improved sentence might be: "Because my college application is still in process and my visa has been delayed, I will not be able to move in next month as we agreed." This shows a better grasp of grammar and makes your writing clearer.

Model

Dear Mr. Black,

I am writing to inform you that I am unable to move into the apartment next month as originally planned.

Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances, I am facing delays with my college application. This may not be resolved until the second semester of this year. Additionally, there has been an issue with my study visa, as my passport containing the visa was lost in transit. Obtaining a new passport and visa is expected to take at least two months according to the immigration office.

In light of these circumstances, I'd really appreciate it if we could postpone the move-in date to December 1st, 2024, instead of the originally planned June 1st, 2024. This will allow me the necessary time to finalize my college plans and resolve the visa situation.

Thank you for your understanding. I look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,

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