

Writing :

One of the reasons why hunger and poverty still exist in many parts of the developing world is the continuing use of outdated, subsistence farming methods. These countries should change over to modern, large-scale farming of cash crops for the export market.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

In times of unlimited scientific potential, there are still some areas which experience constant ~~searce~~ scarcity of food and money. I firmly believe that outdated farming methods are the main cause of that and introducing new technologies can change the situation dramatically.

First of all, implementation of modern technologies will lead to increase of in profits. Therefore, if organised wisely, local people would get higher salaries and their standard of living would go up. It means that fighting for food will no longer be a priority and will open new opportunities, such as high education, setting up their own business and organizing social activities.

Secondly, introduction of up-to-date machinery will improve working conditions. ~~Less~~ Few things will be done manually, which means that people will have to put less effort into farming with better final result.

For example, some tractors can help to enhance significantly crop numbers ~~employees~~ ?? the same number of people.

Примечание [A1]: things – countable noun, that's why 'few' is used instead of 'less'

Примечание [A2]: The meaning isn't clear

On the contrary, some people claim that cash-crop orientation can have a negative impact on local people. For example, excessive usage of fields can cause soil erosion and as all food is exported this could lead to famine. However, these problems can be avoided if tackled in time.

In conclusion, it should be said, that I strongly support the idea of innovations introduced in farming of developing countries as having no changes can have negative consequences. Nevertheless, the process should be well planned and be under strict control of government authorities in tandem with local communities.

Word count: 246

Feedback:

Criteria	Estimated band	Comments
Task Achievement	7	The essay does not meet the minimum word requirement of 250 words (in real life exam your score would be decreased because of this). Even though information is presented clearly and contains examples, some parts are not fully extended (ex. 'However, these problems can be avoided if tackled in time' you should explain this part further; 'all food is exported' – why do you think so?)
Coherence and Cohesion	<u>7/8</u>	You use sufficient number of linking words, however some paragraphs are not developed enough
Lexical resource	8	Vocabulary is varied and used appropriately.
Grammatical range and accuracy	<u>6/7</u>	Even though there aren't many grammar mistakes, structures used are quite repetitive (ex. 'these problems can be avoided if tackled in time'; 'if organised wisely, local people would get')
Overall	<u>7</u>	<u>To achieve a better result you should:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • write at least 250 words • read the task carefully and don't forget to include all points ('export' isn't mentioned in the introduction) • plan before writing and pay attention to fully extend all arguments; • make sure to use different types of complex sentences