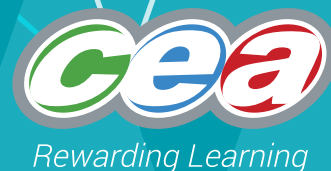


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Writing 7

CONTEXT 2: LOCAL, NATIONAL, INTERNATIONAL AND GLOBAL AREAS OF INTEREST



Social and global issues



Introduction

Here are some key points to help you study this topic.

Learning Outcomes

You should be able to:

- communicate in writing for a variety of purposes;
- write short texts, using simple sentences and familiar language to convey meaning and exchange information;
- translate sentences from English into French to convey key messages accurately and to apply grammatical knowledge of language and structures in context;
- produce clear and coherent extended text to present facts and express ideas and opinions for different purposes and in different settings;
- make accurate use of a variety of vocabulary and grammatical structures;
- manipulate the language, using and adapting a variety of structures and vocabulary with accuracy and fluency for new purposes (including using appropriate style and register); and

- make independent and creative use of the language to identify key points, express and justify their thoughts and points of view.

These lists are neither prescriptive nor exhaustive.

Skills

- Wetter.
- Umwelt.
- Gesundheit und gesunder Lebensstil.
- Gesellschaftliche Themen z.B. Armut, Obdachlosigkeit, Arbeitslosigkeit, freiwillige Arbeit.

Preparation

- Focus on the construction **um.....zu (in order to) + Infinitive:**

This can be used to join sentences or to link two ideas:

Ich bewege mich regelmäßig. Ich bleibe fit.

Ich bewege mich regelmäßig, um fit zu bleiben.

Ich arbeite im Garten. Ich helfe meinen Nachbarn.

Ich arbeite im Garten um meinen Nachbarn zu helfen.

Wir trennen den Müll. Wir helfen der Umwelt.

Wir trennen den Müll um der Umwelt zu helfen.

- Focus on description of **weather** in **Present and Past tense:**

Present Tense	Past Tense
Es ist sonnig/warm/kalt/heiß	Es war sonnig/warm/kalt/heiß
Es regnet	Es hat geregnet
Es schneit	Es hat geschneit
Es friert	Es hat gefroren
Es gibt ein Gewitter	Es gab ein Gewitter

Practice

- Use past papers.
- Make sure you understand why corrections have been made to your written work.
- In the revision section there are sentences to be translated into German. Do not look at the solutions below as you work on these sentences.
 - Die Arbeitslosigkeit ist ein großes Problem in Nordirland.
 - Es gibt viele Arbeitslose in unserer Stadt.
 - Viele Jugendliche arbeiten freiwillig.
 - Unser Jugendklub hilft Obdachlosen in der Stadt.
 - Wir bringen ihnen Brot und heiße Suppe.
 - Wir müssen Geld spenden, um das Essen zu kaufen.

Revision

- Unemployment is a big problem in Northern Ireland.
- There are many unemployed in our city.
- Many young people do voluntary work.
- Our youth club helps homeless people in the city.
- We bring them bread and hot soup.
- We have to raise money in order to buy the food.

