

BASIC COMMUNICATION CERTIFICATE IN ENGLISH (BCCE™) WRITING SECTION: SCORING RUBRICS

	Task Completion	Organization	Linguistic Resources
FOCUS	Relevance to the taskElaborationStyle & format	Text organization:	Complexity & accuracy of: • Grammar & syntax • Vocabulary
5 HIGH PASS Effective Writing	Completes the task fully and relevantly, using all the prompts provided. Covers all aspects of the topic effectively.	Text is coherent. Consistently uses simple cohesive devices in an effective manner.	Consistently uses a wide range of linguistic forms and structures effectively, even in less routine situations. Consistently maintains a good control of grammatical and syntactical accuracy and appropriate vocabulary. Minor errors may occur, especially in less routine situations.
4 PASS Good Writing	Develops the topic mostly relevantly, using all the prompts provided. Covers most aspects of the topic effectively.	Text is mostly coherent. Mostly uses some simple cohesive devices effectively.	Uses some variety of structures and displays sufficient lexical range, even in less routine situations. Mostly maintains a fairly high degree of grammatical and syntactical accuracy and mostly chooses appropriate vocabulary. Some errors may occur in more complex structures, but mostly do not impede communication.
3 LOW PASS Satisfactory Writing	Develops the topic satisfactorily, using most of the prompts provided. Covers some aspects of the topic more effectively than others.	Text is satisfactorily coherent. Simple cohesive devices are often used effectively, especially within sentences.	Often uses some variety of structures and displays sufficient lexical range to accomplish the task satisfactorily. Maintains a satisfactory degree of grammatical and syntactical accuracy and often chooses appropriate vocabulary. Errors may occur in simple and more complex structures, but rarely impede communication.
2 NARROW FAIL Limited Writing	Often does not develop the topic satisfactorily. Some ineffective use of the prompts or some misunderstanding of the task.	Lack of coherence may sometimes impede communication. Often uses a limited range of cohesive devices, which may often hinder the smooth flow of the text.	Often uses a limited variety of structures and displays a lack of lexical range. Errors occur in both simple and complex structures, which may often impede communication and some vocabulary may be inappropriately used.
1 FAIL Ineffective Writing	Mostly does not develop the topic satisfactorily. Mostly ineffective use of the prompts or misunderstanding of the task. No attempt at task.	Mostly incoherent writing. Use of cohesive devices is very limited or inappropriate and hinders the smooth flow of the text. No assessable language.	Mostly uses a very limited variety of structures and displays a lack of lexical range. Errors frequently occur in simple structures, frequently impeding communication, while vocabulary may frequently be inappropriately used. No assessable language.