

Note that this diagram is from the book IELTS Graduation, published by Macmillan.

Remember

You will improve your score if you transform words from the illustration in your answer eg *music player* → *play music*.

Paragraph plan	Comparing illustrations model answer
<p>Paragraph 1 Introduce the illustrations and describe the similarities (parts, position and purpose).</p> <p>Paragraph 2 Describe the main differences.</p> <p>Summarizing sentence Summarize the main differences and similarities.</p>	<p>The illustrations show two mobile phones, an early model and a more recent design. Despite the many differences, both phones share the same basic design principle. The (0) <u>main part</u> of both phones is a keypad, which (1) _____ enter information. Above this are the control buttons for selecting different functions. The top section of the phones (2) _____ the display and earphone.</p> <p>However, there are several major differences, the most significant of which is that the contemporary model is hinged so that it folds in half. Its (3) _____ is reduced by 40mm and width by 10mm, compared to the earlier phone. It is also under half the (4) _____ of the later model (70g and 150g respectively). Another variation is that the contemporary mobile has greater (5) _____ and can access email and the internet, play music and has a multi-player game (6) _____ as well as a camera with video capability. The much larger colour display is clearly (7) _____ these extra functions.</p> <p>Overall, it can be seen that both function as telephones, but the contemporary mobile is much more (8) _____ despite its reduced size.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">184 words</p>

Further practice

6 Answer the question below using the language presented in this unit.

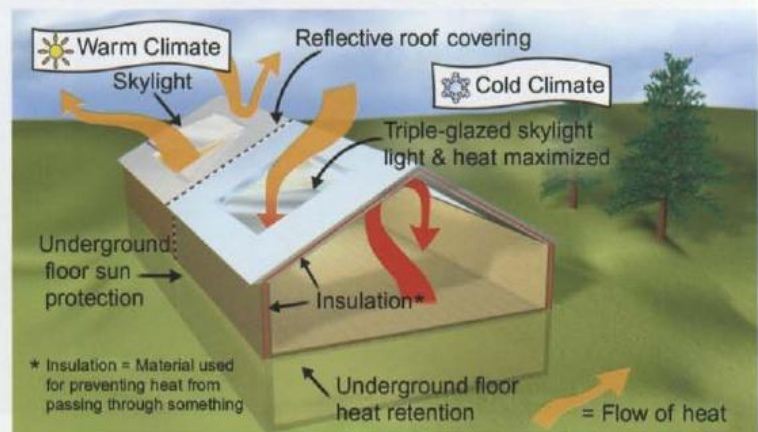
The diagram below shows some design principles for an energy-efficient house and how they work in different climates.

Summarize the information by selecting and reporting the main features and make comparisons where relevant.

Question strategy

If you feel that there is not enough information on an illustration to write 150 words, use the following techniques:

- 1 Follow a paragraph plan.
- 2 Use longer phrases where possible (eg *in the summer months* instead of *summer*).
- 3 Use each label of the diagram as the basis of a sentence.



Explaining the operation of the energy-efficient house.

The diagram illustrates the principle design of an energy-efficient house and explains their changing roles in different climates. Overall observation reveals that the house is constructed with a special kind of roof that plays a crucial part in saving energy for the house, and there's an underground floor built additionally serving this purpose.

In warm climate, for instance, during summer days, in which sunlight directly floods into the house and heats it up, the reflective roof covering helps reflect the heating light back into the sky and spread the hot air inside the house out of it through an airvent, which the covering parts go up, letting the inner air go out and reflecting the sunlight back into the sky. The roof's material and function contribute significantly to cooling the house, thus, saving a lot of energy for air-conditioning.

In cold climate, especially in the winter, the material of the body of the house devotes considerably to keeping the heat inside the house. During the cold days, the parts that cover the airvent, triple-glazed, go down, instead of go up in the warm climate, allowing heat and light to go inside the house, reducing warm air flowing outside the house to its maximum level. The wall is constructed using insulation, hence, the warm air circulates around the house and keeps it heated. Moreover, there's even an underground floor built for heat retention and sun protection. Therefore, the heat is secured considerably in the inner part of the house, thus saving a great deal of energy for central heating system and heating bills.

Overall, the design shows clearly the principles of function of the house itself in different climates. This model of the energy-efficient house will help reduce a range of energy thanks to its design and operation.

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Excellent. This is a very difficult process diagram and you did an outstanding job.
Too many words, however, for Task One in IELTS.