



10e A review

Writing a review

1 Read the review of a website and answer the questions.

- 1 What is the purpose of the website?
- 2 Why does the writer like the website?
- 3 What is one problem with the site?
- 4 What is the writer's conclusion about the site?

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One of my favourite websites is a free photo-sharing site called www.photoshowme.com. It's a great place for photographers to show their photos to other people.

The site has quite a few **good features**. **Firstly, it's easy to** find photographs that you are interested in. They are organized into different categories like 'travel', 'food' or 'people' so you can search for things you want to look at. **Another good point is that** you can comment on each other's photos, and every month a professional photographer is invited to make comments. In my opinion, you learn a lot from this person's comments.

The only problem is that it has too much advertising. I think that's how the site makes money, but when you are looking at beautiful photographs, **it's annoying** when an advert appears on the screen.

On the whole, it's a useful website for anyone who loves taking photographs and communicating with other people about them.

ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

1 What is **the purpose** of the website?

- It's a photo-sharing website – a place for photographers to show photos.

2 Why does the writer like the website?

- easy to find photographs; organized into different categories; can comment on each other's photos; professional photographer is invited to make comments; you learn a lot from this person's comments

3 What is **one problem** with the site?

- too much advertising

4 What is the writer's **conclusion** about the site?

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4- Paragraph structure

- Paragraph 1: What is the website? What is it for?
- Paragraph 2: In your opinion, what are the good points about the website?
- Paragraph 3: Are there any bad points or problems with the site?
- Paragraph 4: On the whole, what do you think about the site?

Paragraph 1:

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Paragraph 2:

The site has quite a few good features.

Paragraph 3:

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Paragraph 4:

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4- Paragraph structure

- Paragraph 1: introduction

What is it? What is it for?

- Paragraph 2: your opinion (give good/positive points/features)

What do you like/enjoy about it/ why?

- Paragraph 3: your opinion (give bad/ negative points/features or any problem)

What you dislike about it/why

- Paragraph 4: conclusion

Sum up your main opinion

Make suggestion / Recommendation

2 Writing skill giving your opinion

a Write down any useful phrases in the review that:

a give positive opinions

One of my favourite ... is...

b give negative opinions

c. sum up the writer's main opinion

a give positive opinions

One of my favourite ... is...

One of my favourite (websites) is ...

It's a great place for ... to ...

The site has quite a few good features.

Firstly, it's easy to ...

Another good point is that (you can) ...

b give negative opinions

The only problem is that (it) ...

it's annoying when ...

c. sum up the writer's main opinion

On the whole, ...

ADVERB CONJUNCTIONS

- GIVING OPINIONS

In my opinion,/In my point of view,

From my perspective,

Personally, I think

To my mind,

It seems to me that...

I believe that...

SUM UP YOUR MAIN OPINION

On the whole,

In conclusion, /In brief, /In a word, /In summary,

To sum up,/ To conclude,/ To summarize,

Overall, / At last,

Make suggestion / Recommendation

May be you could...

I suggest you could...

I highly recommend you ...

Giving opinions

▶ DISCUSSING OPINIONS

Asking for an opinion

What do you think?

What's your opinion?

Giving your opinion

I think we should ...

In my opinion ...

I'm not sure about ...

Agreeing and disagreeing

I agree. / You're right. / Good idea.

I see what you mean, but ...

I disagree. / I don't agree.

Making suggestions

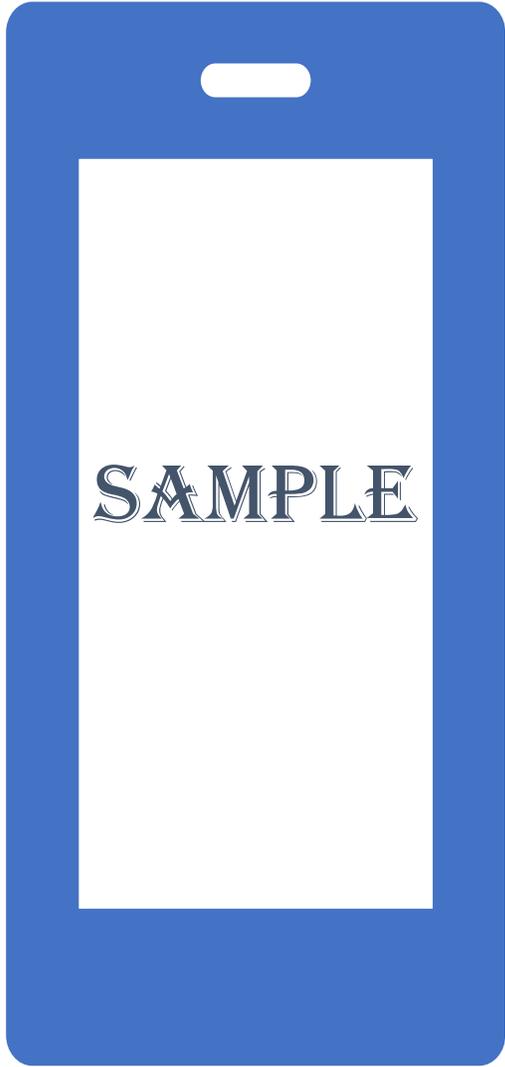
Maybe you could ...

I suggest you ...

TOPICS

WRITING A REVIEW (80-100 WORDS) 3 MARK

- A **product** (sản phẩm nói chung) you've bought recently/you received on your birthday/ you own (laptop/ shoes/cell phone...)
- A **place** (tourist attraction/ restaurant/café/ library/ hotel/park/ supermarket/cinema...)
- **Others** (a book/ a song/ a film/food...)



Think of **a mobile phone you own.**

Write a four- paragraph review (80-100 words) of this mobile phone with the following suggestions:

- **Paragraph 1:** **when** did you **get** the mobile phone?
- **Paragraph 2:** What are the **good points** about it?
- **Paragraph 3:** Are there **any problems** with it?
- **Paragraph 4:** Would you **recommend to others**?

Model Answer

Paragraph 1

when did you get the mobile phone?

I got my current mobile phone, Vivo three years ago. It was a birthday gift, and I was excited to start using it.

When I was in 10th grade, my parents gave me a cell phone. It was a gift for me when I graduated from high school.

I own a Samsung phone that I've had it since my 16th birthday. It was also a gift from my dad.

The last phone I got was more than a year ago, and it was a gift from my mother after graduating from high school and attending university. It is the most precious present that I have got.

I got a cell phone when I'm in the first year of university. The phone is Samsung Galaxy bought by my parents and I rarely love it.

I received my current I-phone from my uncle on my 19th birthday . That is a wonderful and significant mobile phone with me.

I bought my phone last year when I needed a new phone for study and entertainment. It is called the Samsung M32.

In the summer of 2021, my father gave me an I-phone 11. It was a gift my father gave me when I passed the entrance university exam. I was really surprised when I received it from my dad.

I got this cell phone when I entered 10th grade. It was the iPhone 11 that my mother bought for me. I really appreciate and like it.

When I graduated my secondary school, my parents bought me a phone. It was a first mobile phone I had and still using it until now.

I got my Samsung Galaxy A71 two years ago, and it has been a reliable companion ever since. The sleek design and vibrant display immediately caught my eye, making it a pleasure to use.

To my mind, I got the mobile phone when I was 15 years old. It's an iPhone 5S and it helps me in many ways.

I got my mobile phone about four years ago. It was a gift from my parents on my 15th birthday. It's an Oppo Reno2f phone. I was thrilled to receive it and have been using it ever since.

When I graduated from high school, my father gave me an iPhone 13. Thanks to it, I could study more comfortably when I went to university.

I own an iPhone 11, which I got in March 2023. It's a great phone overall, with a sleek design, powerful performance, and excellent cameras.

One of my favorite phones is the iPhone XS. It is the most wonderful phone I was given on my 15th birthday and I'm still using it now.

I got my phone as a birthday gift from my parents in 2018. I was very happy when I received it and immediately started using it for all activities.

To begin with, my old cellphone has been broken during the time I attended P.E. course. Therefore, on my birthday last year, I received a new Redmi Note 12 phone as a surprise gift from my family. I love it so much and still use it until now.

When I passed the high school, my parents gave me new mobile phone. It called Iphone 8 plus. it's not modern, but I love it, and I have been using it until now.

I have used this phone for nearly 4 years, and it was Oppo. I received this phone from my brother as a gift on my birthday.

A mobile phone that I am using is Iphone 7 plus. In class 11 , my mother bought it for me when I got good student. It is so many functions so that people can use effectively.