**2000**
Imagine a friend told you about a job as a computer programmer with Blore Computers at 1463 Kenneth Lane, Wrexham. You decided to write a letter (120 words) to apply for the job. Include all these things into your letter: give your reason for writing, write about your education, ask for an application form. Write a formal letter to the company. Be careful about the layout.
**(job application, formal letter)**

**2003**
Read the advertisement in a local youth magazine and apply for the job: THE UCL SUMMER CAMP. We are looking for a young, energetic and experienced student to teach basic English. Must be a good organiser and keen on sports. Please apply to Mr Brown, giving details of education, previous experience and saying why you think you are suitable for the job. Mr Brown, UCL, 17, High Street, 1162 CQ 62 Saltburry, GB (120–150 words).
**(job application)**

 **2004**
My first day at school.A school magazine is organizing a short story competition for the best story about the first day at your school. Write your story (150−180 words). Think of:

• setting the scene

• developing the story

• comments or your feelings.

**(story, narrative)**

 **2005**
Write a story (160–180 words) for a school magazine about something that happened to you. Don’t forget to mention:

• the setting of the scene

• the plot

• your feelings or comments

You have to start like this: Most of us have heard some unusual stories, like ghost stories. One day, when I ...
**(story, narrative)**

**Náhradný termín**

You want to enter a story competition. Write your story (160–180 words), including the setting of the scene, the plot and the feelings or comments. The rules say that the story must begin like this: Finally the great day arrived ...
**(story, narrative)**

**2006**
You and some of your friends at school would like to start a school magazine, but you do not have the money to do so. Write a letter (160–180 words) to the Open Society Foundation asking for financial support. Include the following: a short description of your school, why you want to start a school magazine in English and what would be in the magazine. Addresses and the date are not needed.
**(formal letter)**

**Náhradný termín**

Your school would like to participate in an international project. Write a formal letter (180–200 words) presenting your school to the European Project Institute. Write about three of the following things: the type of school you attend, the location of your school, school facilities, after-school activities or student projects. You must also include why you think your school is special and should participate in this project. You don‛t need to write addresses or date.
**(formal letter)**

Write to your friend abroad telling him/her what you most like and dislike about being a student at your school in Slovakia. Name **two** things you **like** and **two** things you **dislike** and give your reasons. Write 160–180 words. Start like this: Thank you very much for your last letter. It was really interesting to read about your school. Now let me tell you something about ours.
**(informal letter)**

**2007**
Write a letter to your friend abroad telling him/her **what you most like and dislike about being a student.**Name **two**things you like and **two**things you dislike and give reasons. Start your letter like this: Dear ...,Thank you very much for your last letter. It was really interesting to read about your life as a student. Now let me tell you something about mine.
**(informal letter)**

**2008**

**úroveň B**

Next month your penfriend is arriving in Slovakia. Write a letter to him/her about:
• the lessons you want him/her to attend,

• the activities you will do together at school,
• the activities you would like to organise for him/her in the evening.
**(informal letter)**

**úroveň C**

Write about an interesting day in your life. Write about:
• when it was

• what happened

• what made it interesting.

**(story, narrative)**

**2009**
Write an informal letter to your English penfriend in which you describe a place in Slovakia that you like. Include the following points:

• a description of the place,

• two reasons why you like it.

**(informal letter)**

**2010**
Write a letter (160–180 words) to a British friend describing the birthday party you are going to organise for your sister. Include the following points:
• the time and place,

• the people invited,

• the meals and drinks provided,

• the programme prepared,

• your surprise for her.

**(informal letter)**

**2011**
Write a letter (160–180 words) to a British friend describing teenagers’ lives in Slovakia. Include the following points:

• young people and education,

• free time activities,

• fashion,

• lifestyle,

• relationships.

**(informal letter)**

**2012

Téma: An Ideal School**
Write an essay (200–220 words) about an ideal secondary school for you. Justify your opinions about:

• the setting you would study in
• relationships between teachers and students
• the subjects you would study
• testing
• extra-curricular activities.
 **2013

Téma: My Favourite Book**
Write a description of a book you like very much (160–180 words). Include:

• the title and the writer;
• the reasons for your choice;
• a short description of the plot;
• the characters you admire in the book;
• why you would recommend it to your best friend.
 **2014**

**Téma: Moving to Slovakia**

Your English friend wants to move to the town/village, where you live, and asks you for some information. Answer his/her questions, writing a letter (160–180 words) with the following points:

* Describe the typical types of housing in your town/village.
* Propose one type of housing and explain your idea.
* Explain to him/her the advantages of living in your town/village.
* Explain to him/her the disadvantages of living in your town/village.
* Offer him/her your assistance while looking for a place where to stay.

**Vyššia úroveň**

**2003**
*English and computer studies are more important subjects than science or humanities.* Write an essay (180–220 words) in answer to the above-mentioned statement. Give arguments for or against the statement.

Give reasons / examples to support your viewpoint. Think of:
• your favourite subjects,

• skills needed for studying any of the given subjects,

• benefits of studying of these subjects,

• career prospects.

**(essay)**
**2004**
*Cinema will soon be a thing of the past*. The editor of the school magazine has asked you to write an essay (180−220 words), saying whether you prefer going to the cinema or watching videos at home. Fully explain three reasons for your preference.
**(essay)**

**2005**
Write an article (200–220 words) to the school magazine about the advantages and disadvantages of school uniforms. Include at least 3 advantages and 3 disadvantages.
**(article)**

**Náhradný termín**
The editor of your school magazine has asked you to write an essay (200–220 words) suggesting ways for students to keep fit and stay healthy. Give three clear recommendations with reasons.
**(essay)**

Téma: Sport
Your friend from an English-speaking country, who contributes to the school magazine Sport, would like to get more information about sports in Slovakia and your attitude to sport. Write a letter (160 – 180 words), including the following points:

* sports in which Slovak sportsmen/women are very successful,
* your favourite sportsman/sportswoman who represents Slovakia, giving reasons for your choice,
* sport in your life.

Téma: Education
Your friend does not want to learn a foreign language. Write a letter (160 – 180 words) to him/her, in which you try to encourage him/her to work harder at his/her language studies. Include:

* the advantages of language learning for his/her future life,
* ways of learning a foreign language,
* ways of getting good results.

Téma: Fashion and Clothing
A world-famous brand wants to find out the opinions of young people about fashion and clothing. Write a composition (160–180 words), in which you cover the following points:

* the importance of following fashion trends;
* elegance versus comfort;
* the description of young people’s fashion.

Téma: Holidays, Customs and Traditions in our Country
A school magazine organises a competition entitled Holidays, Customs and Traditions in my Family. The main prize is a trip to an amusement park for the whole family. You have decided to enter the competition. Write an article (160–180 words) including the following points:

* The holidays you celebrate with your family and/or friends.
* A description of the chosen holiday and the special preparation for it.
* A custom/tradition related to this holiday.

Téma: My Dream Job
During a school excursion you visited a job fair. Choose the job which attracted you most. Write a letter to your English friend (160–180 words) in which you introduce the chosen job. Use the following points.

* The job that attracted you most and why.
* What advantages you can see in it.
* What disadvantages you can see in it.
* What will be your typical day at work like?
* Ask your friend for his/her opinion about the chosen job.

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Include:

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* a short description of the plot;
* the characters you admire in the book;
* why you would recommend it to your best friend.

Téma: My School
Write a letter (160–180 words) to your English penfriend about the school you attend. After introducing it, include:

* two things you like about attending it
* two things you would like to change and how.

Téma: The Life of a Teenager
Write a letter (160-180 words) to a British friend describing teenagers’ lives in Slovakia. Include the following points:

* young people and education
* free time activities
* fashion
* lifestyle
* relationships

Téma: A Birthday Party
Write a letter (160 – 180 words) to a British friend describing the birthday party you are going to organise for your sister. Include the following points:

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Write about an interesting day in your life.

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