

## FCE – SAMPLE ANSWER: ARTICLE

*I think it was a year ago. Me, my friends, open air, mud and whole weekend spent listening to live concerts at Woodstock. It was a great experience for us. We've been there all alone, sleeping in a common tent, making food for each other. Nobody really cared about the time or school. It could be the only one chance in a lifetime. Me and my friends took part in mud-fight, took some amazing photos (even of us with the leader of our favourite band) and join one of the best parts of a concerts called "pogo".*

*This was a two-day event, and I will never forget that moment, when the leader of a band throw a guitar pick into the croud and ... I caught it! It was dark, and a little lait used, but totally best thing from that day.*

*When last band ended the show, we watched the fireworks display and started to pack our things.*

*But there weren't only good moments. I mean: coming home, and leaving this place behind, was the worst thing ever.*

Scales	Mark	Commentary
Content	5	All content is relevant to the task and the target reader would be fully informed. A weekend at a music festival is described and there are details about what happened there.
Communicative Achievement	5	The conventions of writing an article are used effectively to communicate both straightforward and some more complex ideas, for example the final sentence. The tone is engaging, suitable for a wide audience and the target reader's attention would be held throughout.
Organisation	4	The text is well organised and coherent and the events are described in sequential order, which is an appropriate organisational pattern for this article. The first two paragraphs show some good features of internal cohesion, which is in contrast to the final two paragraphs which are at sentence level.
Language	4	There is a range of vocabulary used appropriately, including some less common lexis which is specific to the topic. There is a range of simple and some more complex grammatical forms used with control. Errors occur generally when more ambitious language is attempted, or with spelling.