



When things settle down: Improving your IELTS response

Read the example and think about how to improve it..

I will tell you what I want to do after the corona virus. I have three things.

First, I want to go to Osaka because I was going to go to Osaka on graduation trip with my friends. We were going to visit Osaka and make many memories. But we couldn't do it because of corona virus. I was very shocked.

When I called with my friends, we decided to go to Osaka in summer vacation. We have met the friends everyday. But we don't meet them since we graduate our high school. I want to meet them as soon as possible.

Second, I want to do BBQ with my family. We have never done BBQ with my family because I had no time when I was high school student. I wanted to do BBQ with my family at place with large nature.

I do BBQ in my friend's house every summer. The party is very fun. We gather friends who are same club activity person and our parents. I don't know whether we can do it this year but I want to it very much.

Third, I want to watch many movies at movie theater because I have watched movie once every two months. I like the force and atmosphere.

How can you improve the writing?

Needs a little more organising within each paragraph

Signal Words

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- a bitter disappointment

I used to (verb)

- when thinking about past regular events

There are three things I would like to do after the government has lifted the lockdown restrictions. **First**, I would go to Osaka because I was initially planning on going there on a high school graduation trip with my friends. We were going to visit Osaka and make some wonderful memories there but, due to the spread of the coronavirus, we had to cancel. It was and still is a bitter disappointment. **However**, I called my friends the other day and we decided that we would go to Osaka during the summer vacation instead. *I used to see them every day at school* but now we don't have the chance to see each other so this trip would be perfect.

The second thing I would like to do is have a BBQ with my family. *I used to have a BBQ at my friend's house* every summer with members from my club. **However**, I have never had a BBQ before with my family as I had no time as I was always out with my high school friends. My image is to have a BBQ with my family at a place surrounded by nature. **Unfortunately though**, I don't know whether this is possible with the covid situation.

Another thing I would like to do is watch movies at the cinema. *I used to watch movies once every two months*. I really enjoyed the atmosphere of seeing a film on a big screen. **Hopefully soon**, we can enjoy going to see the next blockbuster.



From the above work, try to chunk the speech

Find the pause – Chunking short / longer //

CAPITALISE the stressed (important) word

I LIKE this class / because the teacher is GOOD / and everyone is FRIENDly. // ALso, / my English is getting BETter. //

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