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ACADEMIC TASK 1:

How to Describe a Pie Chart

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
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 Gabriel  to me 
Hey guys! Just to tell you that I got my desired 7 band in writing (and 8.5 learning, 9 reading and 8 speaking).
Thank you so much for your support!!!


Finally got writing Band 7!

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to me 
Hi Ben,
I'm really impressed with the feedback and corrections made to my essay. So, I have opted for your Complete online course.
Please send me the free Audiobook about IELTS.
Thanks & Regards,
Chandra

(shhhhhhhh!!!)

1. LANGUAGE FOR PORTIONS

60% - nearly a third

52% - over a half of all respondents

2% - a small fraction

exactly 30% of students

24% - roughly a quarter of respondents

73% - around three quarters of sales

about half the number of televisions

precisely a third of the televisions

almost a quarter of all televisions

a small **fraction** of teachers

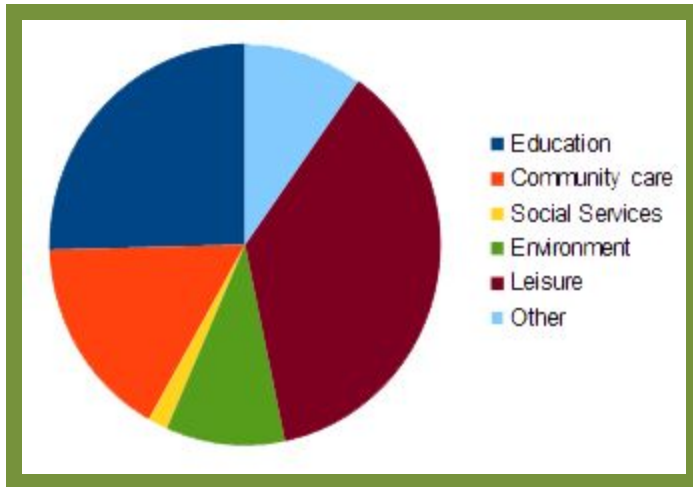
a large **sector** of

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1.1. UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE

Identify the largest section and use this structure:

It is clear that ____ represents the largest portion ... whereas _____ is undoubtedly the smallest.



It is clear that **education** represents the largest portion whereas the **environment** is undoubtedly the smallest.

1.2. LANGUAGE FOR COMPARISONS

... twice as many people prefer ...

... nearly four times as many people ...

... whereas sales for X were just 10%

In 1955 approximately three quarters were male ... **whereas** in 1960 this had fallen to just under a fifth.

1.3. LANGUAGE FOR SUMMARISING

Overall amongst the six regions, ____ make up the largest expenses, **followed** by ____ representing the lowest.

To **summarise**, the most **marked** change is ...

Overall it is clear the amount of ...

Overall the majority of the countries experienced

In **all** countries observed,

Ravi [redacted]
to sentenceguide, me

From 6.5 to 7.5!!!!
YES!!!!

8 Jan (10 days ago) ☆ ↶ ↷

Hi Ben,

I would like to sincerely thank you and your team for putting up with the Sentence guide. I passed the IELTS exam with the required (L: 8, R: 7, **W: 7.5**, S: 7.5) scores. It was my second attempt at IELTS exam. In my first attempt, I got 6.5 in writing.

With 6.5 I was under the impression that with little more effort I could able to get 7. So, I was little hesitant to buy the Sentence guide, but back of my mind, I was thinking not to leave any stone unturned. So, finally after all that I went ahead and paid for the Sentence guide. In fact, it was a revelation after going through each chapter. I sincerely accept that even if I had put an effort on my own without Sentence guide, I could not come up with crystal clear academic paragraphs which are tailored explicitly for IELTS.

Thank you again for your invaluable help which enabled me to achieve this score.

I LOVE EMAILS LIKE THIS!!!

If anybody out there is still thinking to buy Ben's Sentence Guide here is my suggestion. Unless you know how to write a well-formed academic paragraph tailored for IELTS, and at the same time have the necessary skill to come up with ideas within a short span of 5 minutes, I don't think one should take a chance. There are simple and effective writing concepts and techniques in the guide which many of us doesn't know. Just go ahead and buy it, you will not regret your decision.

Thanks again Ben keep up the great work.

Regards,
Ravi

2. TIPS

- Sometimes you cannot compare the info, in this case a summary of each picture is fine.
- **Avoid stating opinions**, if the graph shows rising prices and you know it's because of a war in the Middle East, it doesn't matter. **FORGET IT.**
- **Check the time frame** and use the appropriate tense, past, present or future?
- If possible use a passive construction.
- Focus on getting the appropriate data from the graph into your writing.

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2.1. TIPS: PARAPHRASE

**Paragraph 1 = One sentence: Explain what the graph shows.
Paraphrase the title.**

e.g. PIE CHART TITLE:

Holiday destinations chosen by Welsh people 1955-2005

YOUR FIRST SENTENCE:

The pie chart shows the vacation preferences of Welsh people over a fifty-year period starting in 1955 and finishing in 2005.

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2.2. TIPS: THREE STEP PREP

Step 1 PREPARE:

Look for the biggest and smallest sections.

Quick analysis, times, dates, tenses, measurements.

See the big picture: avoid getting lost in the details – it is a summarising task

Select and report the main features.

Step 2. ORGANISE INTO 2 PARAGRAPHS:

- Major trends
- Major groups
- Exceptions
- Group information
- Group similar ideas together

Step 3. WRITE ESSAY USING TEMPLATE AND PLAN:

- **Remember to check for errors.**
- **Follow your essay plan**
- **DO NOT DEVIATE (deviation = losing time, panic, etc.)**

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to me

Just want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for the secret ingredients you thought me.. unfortunately I still need a 7 in reading but I'm over the moon with the 7 in writing.. will give it one more try. Thanks again for your fantastic course.



Your Test Result

Candidate Number:

Overall Band:	7.0
Listening:	7.0
Reading:	6.5
Writing:	7.0
Speaking:	8.0



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Over the moon with a band 7 in Writing!!!

3. EASY TEMPLATE

Paragraph 1

One sentence: Explain what the graph shows. Paraphrase the title.

Paragraph 2

Graph 1, or groups of info (from organisation in step 2)

Paragraph 3

Graph 2, or groups of info (from organisation in step 2)

Paragraph 4

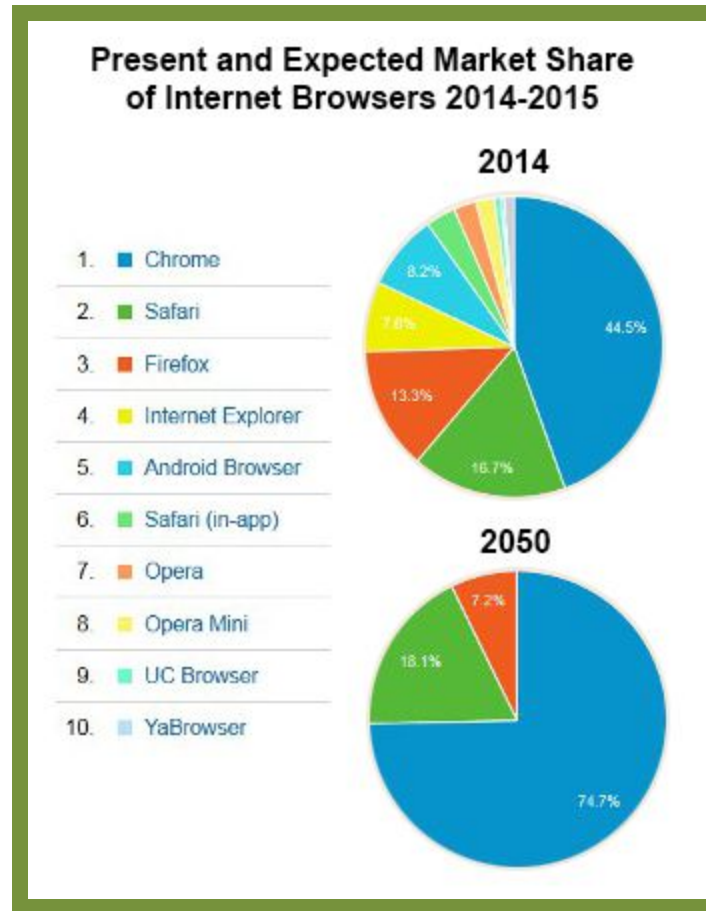
Two summary sentences

Major overall trends, changes, etc. (use summary sentences seen earlier).

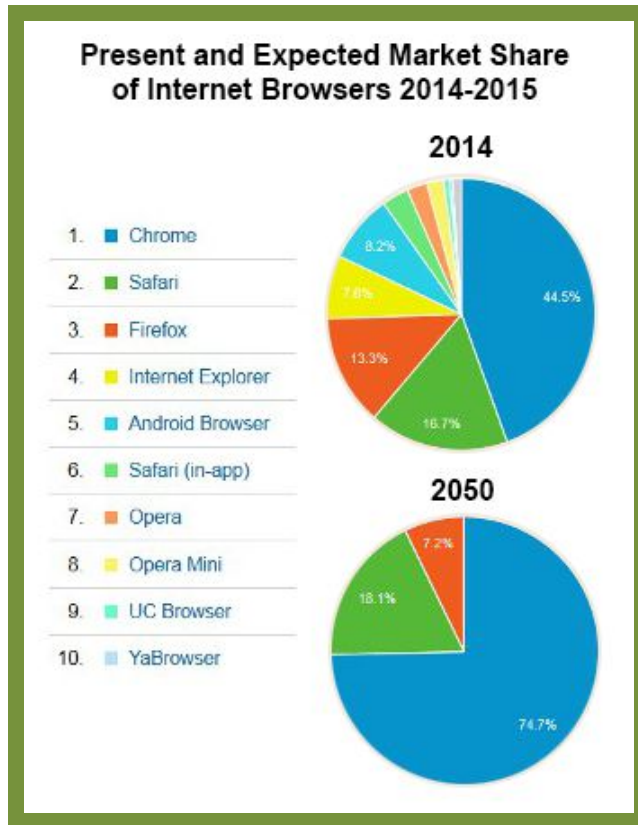
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4. CHALLENGE



CHALLENGE 1: SPOT THE MISTAKES

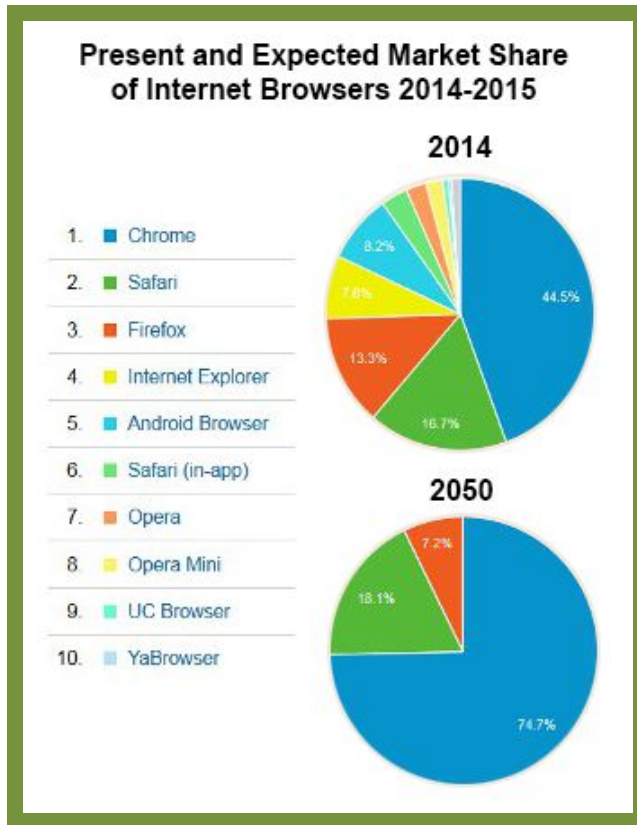


The bar chart shows the expected evolution of the global software market from the present year, 2014, to 2050.

In 2014 the sector is clearly dominated by **Safari** with almost half of the market, followed by two players, Firefox and Chrome with roughly **85% each**. The next largest contenders were Internet Explorer and **Android** with 8.2% and 7.8% respectively. The remaining 10% of the chart

consisted of around four small software makers, Opera, Opera Mini, UC Browser and YaBrowser.

In the next chart the market consolidated considerably leaving just three



contenders, Chrome, Safari and Firefox. Chrome's dominance reached just under three quarters of the entire market, meanwhile Safari experienced a tiny jump from 16.7% to 18.1%. Firefox's market share almost halved falling from 13.3% to just over 7% during the period. The smaller players were completely eliminated.

Overall the pie chart shows that over the 26-year period the market will be dominated by

three contenders; Chrome, Safari, and Firefox, Chrome being the largest of these. Over the same period the smaller players completely disappeared.

Google therefore obviously makes superior products and development gets too expensive for smaller companies.

Here are some clues...

Accuracy? Do the portions correspond accurately with the picture?

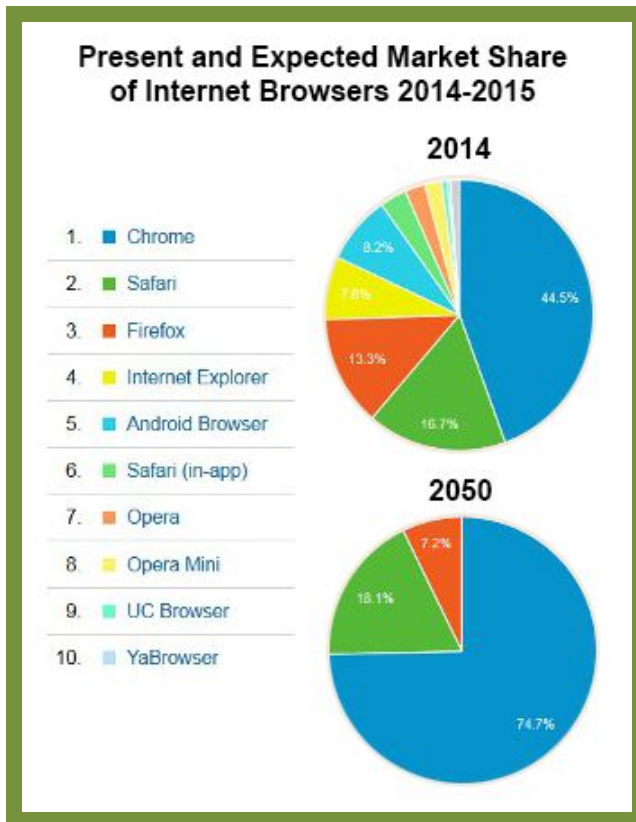
Tense? Is the correct tense used for each paragraph?

Is the summary opinion free?

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CHALLENGE 2: POWER ESSAY CHALLENGE



The pie chart shows ...

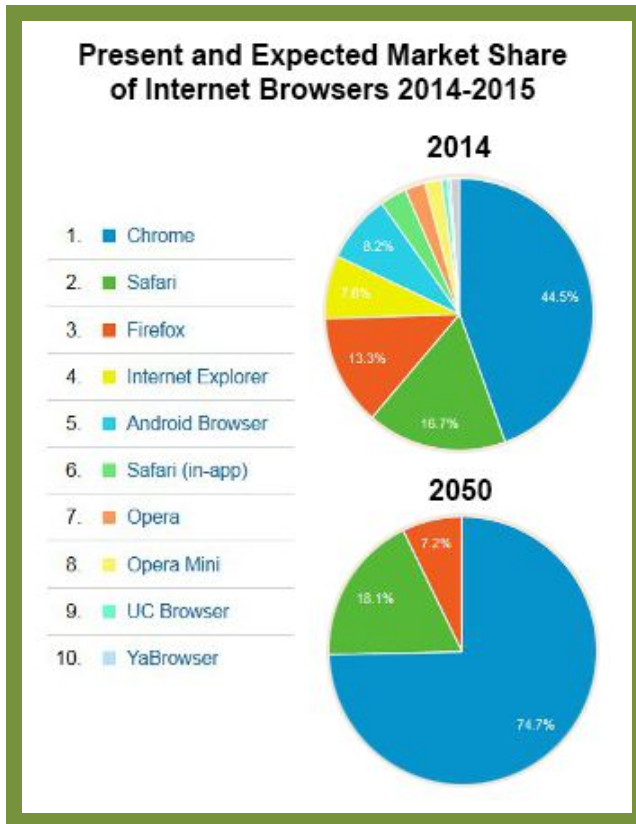
In 2014 ...

By 2050 ...

Overall...

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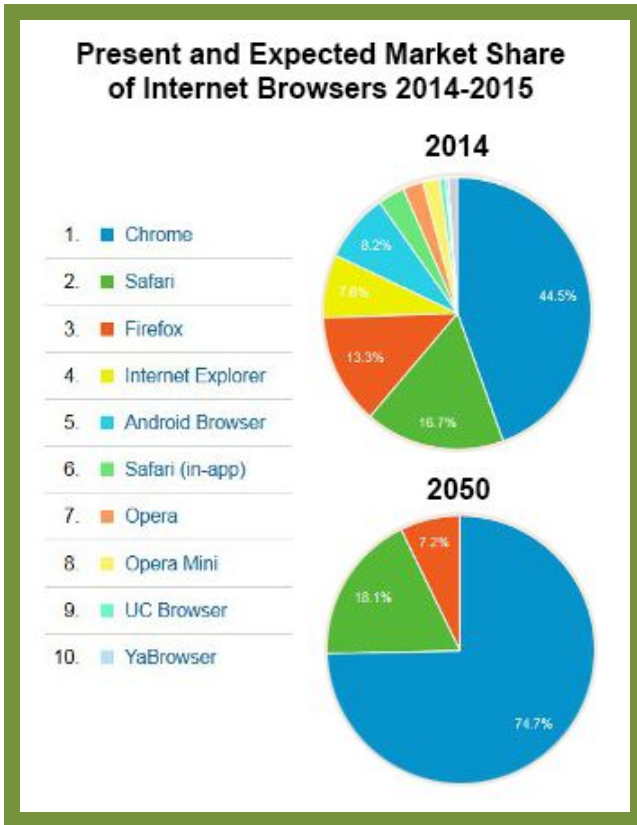
CHALLENGE 3: GAP FILL



The pie chart shows the _____ evolution of the internet browser market from the present year _____, to _____.

In _____ 2024 _____ the _____ by Chrome with _____ of the market, _____ two players, Firefox and Safari with _____ 15% _____ each. _____ The _____ are Internet Explorer and Android with _____ and 7.8% _____.

10% of the _____ four small software makers, Opera, Opera Mini, UC Browser and YaBrowser.

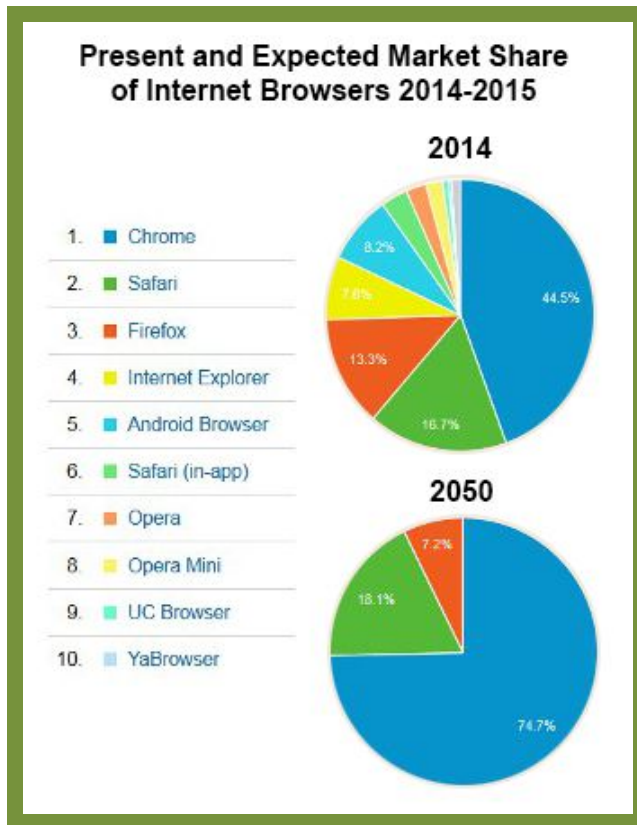


By 2050 the market has _____ considerably _____ just three contenders, Chrome, Safari and Firefox. Chrome's _____ will _____ just under three _____ of the _____ market, _____ Safari will experience a _____ jump from _____ to 18.1%. Firefox's market share almost _____ falling from 13.3% to _____ 7% during the period. The smaller players _____ to be _____.

_____ the pie chart _____ that over the 36-year period the market will be _____ by three contenders, Chrome _____ the _____ of _____. Over the _____ period the _____ players will _____ disappear.

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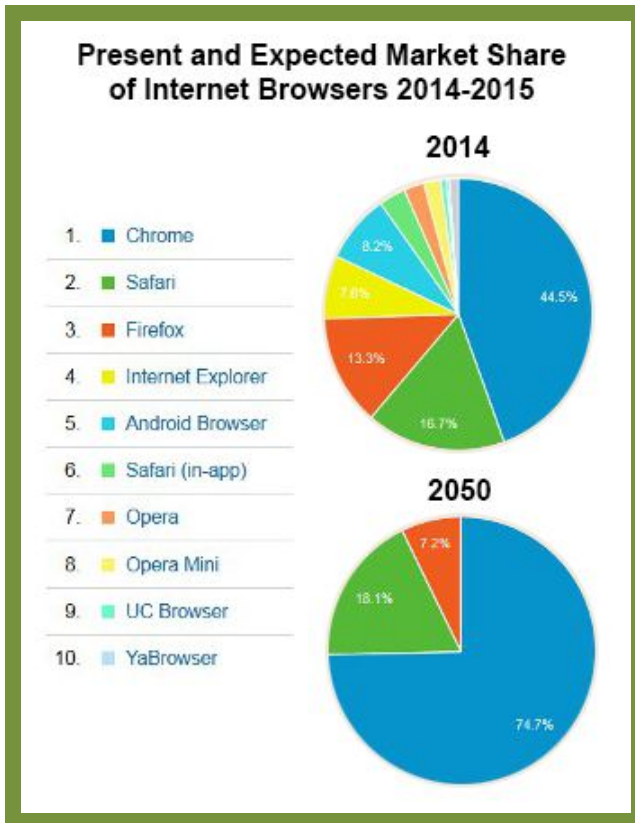
CHALLENGE: BAND 9 MODEL ANSWER



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consists of around four small software makers, Opera, Opera Mini, UC Browser and YaBrowser.



By 2050 the market has consolidated considerably leaving just three contenders, Chrome, Safari and Firefox. Chrome's dominance will reach just under three quarters of the entire market, meanwhile Safari will experience a tiny jump from 16.7% to 18.1%. Firefox's market share almost halves falling from 13.3% to just over 7% during the period. The smaller players are expected to be completely eliminated.

Overall the pie chart shows that over the 36-year period the market will be controlled by three contenders, Chrome being the largest of these. Over the same period the smaller players will completely disappear.

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Felipe jumped
from 6.5 to
Band 8!

