

Writing Task Sample

Unit 11 Welcome to the chess world! (p.93)

Popular board games

Do you play board games? Have you furthermore heard of any other global board game championships? Write an article in about 180 words.

My favourite board game is *Ludo*. I **favour** it because it is quite a **straightforward** game without the complex rules of games like Go or Mahjong, or chess. I admit, **I don't have the right head for** strategic games!

Moreover, Ludo is a fun game to play with family and friends. It can get a bit **heated** too, if for example a player is set on winning and then loses **at the last second**. It may not exercise the brain a lot, but the game brings people together.

Here is some **nerdy** background info: The word Ludo is a **conjugation** of the Latin verb *ludere*, which **literally means** *I play*. It evolved from the Indian board game *Pachisi* which ancient Indian emperors were particularly fond of. It is called different names in different countries. The German name is *Mensch ärgere Dich nicht*, literally meaning *People, don't get upset*, a rather hilarious **regional variant**.

I wish that there were organised and **recognised** Ludo championships; however, there are currently only a few tournaments **dotted around** mainly on the Asian **subcontinent**.

Yet, if there were to be a global Ludo championship, I'd get training right away, and I reckon I'd be pretty **slick** at it too.

~203 words