

TASK 1

You work for a children's home which needs volunteers to help at weekends. Write to the local newspaper requesting that they publicise the vacancies. You should include details of what is required of the applicants and explain ways in which both children and volunteers might benefit. Write approximately 180 words.

(Marking: 10 points)

Dear Sir:

As a representative of the local children's home and one of your more supportive readers, I have decided to write this letter to you in order to get your help for our institution.

As I have told you before, I work, in my free time, in the local children's home as a volunteer, helping the rest of the staff with the care and the education of these poor boys and girls. As it is a non-lucrative institution, it always depends on local governments and donors for its incomes. As you can imagine it's always a headache getting new volunteers when there are some leaves as it is the present case.

We would like ~~you~~ to invite you to visit our home to know our work here and getting your support with an article in your newspaper. You could send a call to all the people that could be interested in helping us as a volunteer, showing the benefits that they could receive at the same time. Working with children always touches your heart, their smile is unforgettable and nobody has thanked you before like this.

We are looking for any kind of enthusiastic professional, available at weekends including nights. I am completely sure they will feel compensated from the very first day.

Thank you very much for your time.

Yours sincerely

[Faint, illegible handwriting on lined paper]

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TASK 2

"Television, newspapers, magazines and other media pay too much attention to the personal lives of famous people, such as public figures and celebrities".

Discuss, using specific reasons and details to explain your opinion.

Write approximately 200 words.

(Marking: 10 points)

The mass media era has started to end. The internet and its consequences like the social nets are devaluating their power. But, although the mean is changing the concept stays still.

The burst of celebrities in magazines, newspapers and television programmes in the last 40 years demanded by a great public and feeded by the same media in a non-stop process has now moved to the social nets where it can find a new public: youngsters.

Is there any difference between those ~~old~~ old ladies sitting in front of the television, or ~~watching~~ looking at the last photo shot of a celebrity and

