

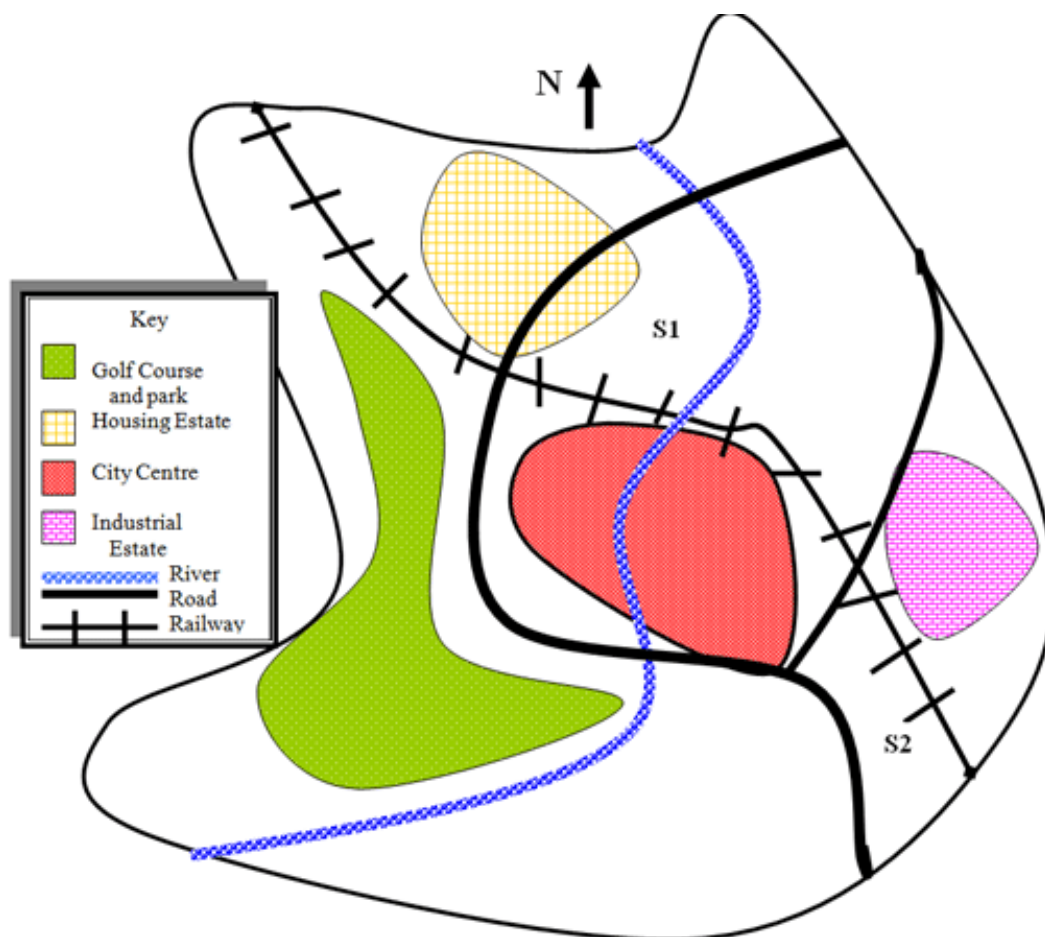
IELTS Map - Model Task 1 Answer

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

Below is a map of the city of Brandfield. City planners have decided to build a new shopping mall for the area, and two sites, S1 and S2 have been proposed.

Summarize the information by selecting and reporting the main features and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.



Model Answer

The map illustrates plans for two possible sites for a shopping mall in the city of Brandfield. It can be seen that the two sites under consideration are in the north and the south east of the town.

The first possible site for the shopping mall, S1, is just north of the city centre, above the railway line, which runs from the south east of the city to the north west. If it is built here,

it will be next to a large housing estate, thus providing easy access for those living on the estate and in the city centre. It will also be next to the river that runs through the town.

The site in the south east, S2, is again just by the railway line and fairly close to the city centre, but it is near to an industrial estate rather than housing.

There is a main road that runs through the city and is close to both sites, thus providing good road access to either location. A large golf course and park in the west of the town prevents this area from being available as a site.

190 words

Comments

Remember that when you have a map or process, you still need an **overview**. This IELTS map has one included:

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Missing an overview can limit you on Task Achievement to a band 5 so it's important to have one.

The map is **well-organised** as it first discusses the north of the city centre and then goes on to discuss the other site. Some further relevant information regarding location is then provided. It's always important to have a clearly organised Task 1.

With an IELTS map you need to have a good knowledge of the language of location, and there are several examples of this:

- *just **north of** the city centre, **above** the railway line*
- *runs from **the south east** of the city **to the north west***
- ***next to***
- *site **in the south east***
- ***close to** both sites*
- ***in the west** of the town*

You need to also make sure you have a good mix of some complex sentences to get a band 6 or over for **grammar**, and there are several examples of words that create these:

- *It can be seen **that***

- **which** runs from
- **If it is** built here
- **that** runs through the town