

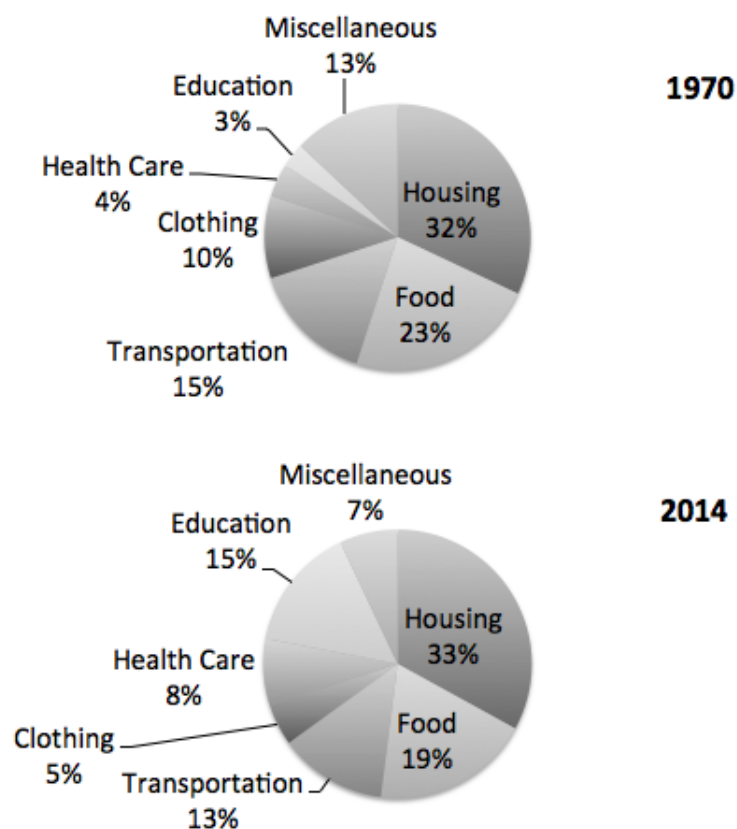
**WRITING TASK 1**

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

*The pie charts show the cost of raising a child to the age of 18 in Canadian cities in two different years.*

*Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.*

Write at least 150 words.



### 1. UNDERSTANDING

Understand the question clearly (1 minute)

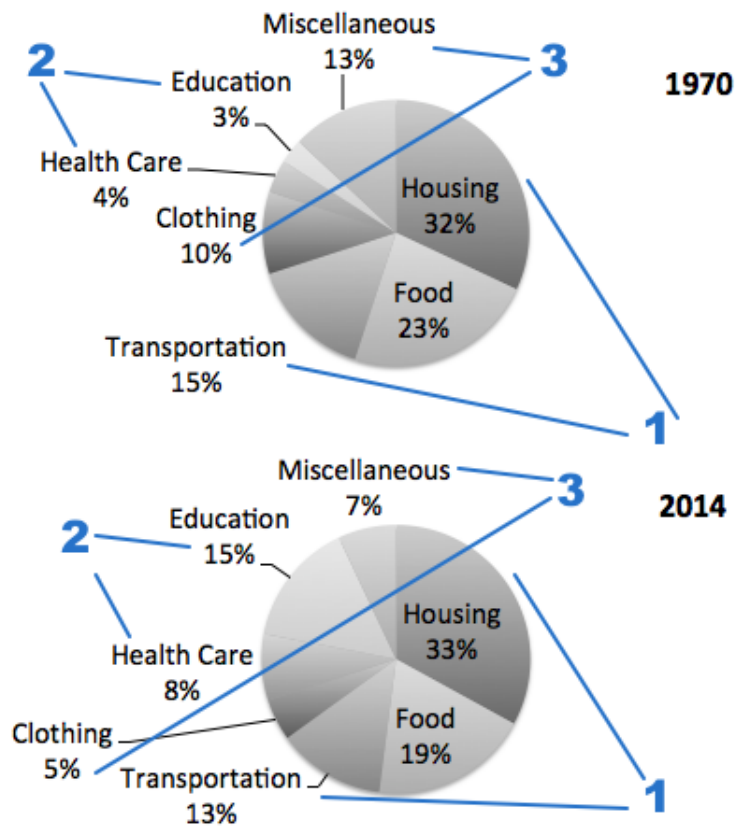
The pie charts show the cost of raising a child to the age of 18 in Canadian cities in two different years.

+ % of total + 1970 & 2014 (from the diagram)

Write a quick overview (1 minute)

*little change in major expenditures - both years - some significant differences in minor expenditures*

Start to organise (2 minutes)



## 2. FIRST NOTES

### Note down basic ideas into paragraphs (3 minutes)

Introduction:

*charts show - cost of looking after a child - Canada - %s of total - 1970 & 2014*

Body Paragraph 1:

*- three main expenses - same on both charts*

*- order of top three also the same*

*- % of these items hardly change*

Body Paragraph 2:

*- education expenditure up*

*- spending on health doubled*

Body Paragraph 3:

*- expenditure on clothing down*

*- spending on miscellaneous items nearly halved*

Overview (from previous notes):

*little change in major expenditures - both years - some significant differences in minor expenditures*

### 3. IMPROVED NOTES

#### Build the paragraphs and add linkers (5 minutes)

Introduction:

*charts show - cost of looking after a child - Canada - %s of total - 1970 & 2014*

Body Paragraph 1:

*- three main expenses - same on both charts*

*In addition - order of top three also the same - housing, food, and transportation - in both years*

*and - % of these items hardly change (32% to 33%, 23% to 19% and 15% to 13%)*

Body Paragraph 2:

*However - education expenditure up from 3% in 1970 to 15% in 2014*

*Similarly - spending on health doubled (4% to 8%)*

Body Paragraph 3:

*In contrast - expenditure on clothing down from 10% in 1970 to 5% in 2014*

*and - spending on miscellaneous items nearly halved (13% to 7%)*

Overview (from previous notes):

*little change in major expenditures - both years but - some significant differences in minor expenditures*