IELTS Writing Task II Test Tips

Answer the following questions about the IELTS Writing Task II Essay.

1. How long should you spend on task II?

2. Which writing task should you write first?

3. How many words should you write on task II?
   a. 250
   b. 250-280
   c. 300+

4. How many points more is writing task II worth than writing task I?
   a. Twice as many
   b. Writing task II = 60%; Writing task I = 40%
   c. They are worth the same.

5. What are they NOT grading you on in your answer?
   a. Vocabulary use
   b. Grammar
   c. What opinion you have
   d. A clear message throughout

6. What should you make sure your essay has?
   a. Simple, compound, and complex sentences
   b. Paragraphs
   c. At least 250 words
   d. All of the above

7. If this sentence were found on a writing task II essay, what about it would cause you to lose points?
   “In my opinion, children don’t need to attend extracurricular activities to achieve high marks in school.”