Red = mistake

Green = fixed

Blue = diction (word choice)

Yellow = spelling

Original	Rewrite
The bar chart compares the amount of apps purchased in three various stores Changed over *the course of 5 years.*	The bar chart illustrates how many apps were sold in on the iOS App Store, Google Play and Amazon Appstore *over a 5-year period (2010-2014).*

- You have attempted to paraphrase the prompt.
- Don't forget that it is a change chart, which shows trend. For change charts, use verbs like "illustrate", "give information about" and "show" depending on what word is in the prompt.
- Always look at the topic in the prompt. In this case, "apps" are the topic, and they are countable, not uncountable. *"The number of X + past participle"* or *"how many X were past participle".*
- You don't have to change every single word in the prompt. However, never copy everything. If you try to change every word, the meaning that is different from that of the prompt might be created as it is the case in your introduction.
- Go with usual paraphrase for the time expression. If it is "between X and Y", write "from X to Y" or "over a N-year period" (X-Y).
- Writing introduction is the easiest part of the whole report. If you consider all parts of the graph and the prompt and ask yourself what the graph is really showing, *the meaning* is conveyed clearly, without changing *it.*

Original	Rewrite
Overall, figures for all companies experienced an upward trend ,with that of IOS App Store and Google Play being considerably higher. IOS, despite being cited as the best selling one at the beginning of the period, has been outraced by Google Play by the end. Overall, figures for all companies experienced upward trends, with those of iOS App Store and Google Play being considerably higher than that of Amazon Appstore. iOS, which started as the most popular Appstore, had been overtaken by Google Play by the end of the period.	Overall, it is clear that the number of apps sold in all 3 shops grew dramatically over the period, with the biggest increase being in the final year. While the iOS App Store was the biggest seller of apps until 2013, it was overtaken in the final year by Google Play. However, both shops sold significantly more than Amazon Appstore.

- The most important paragraph in Writing Task 1 is an overview paragraph.
- You have chosen two good key features into your overview, starting with something general and finishing information that is specific.
- Be careful with pronouns. Antecedents/Referents should correctly reference the noun both in number and meaning. "Figures" should correctly reference "upward trends", not "an upward trend". Not "that of", but "those of" as you are referring to two stores.
- If you are using a comparative adjective, always use "than" to show the comparison.
- You "cite" the quote or something that someone says, not data. Don't write this expression again in your report.
- Look at the years. Use Past perfect to talk about the result.
- Don't leave things unexplained. You wrote "by the end", but the reader is left wondering "by the end" of what. Be precise and accurate.
- Also, always after a cohesive device, overall, use phrases such as "it is clear/obvious that" or "it can be clearly seen that" as long as the information is easy to see or select.

Original	Rewrite
As for IOS, people were mostly fond of buying it as opposed to the others till 2013, with more than threefold increase, ending up at 750 thousands in 3 years of span. In contrast, although Google Play was outnumbered by the former by a significant margin for 4 consecutive years, it has eventually taken the lead in 2014, portraying the highest increase ever recorded in given period. iOS apps were the most popular at the beginning of the period. It increased threefold to hit around 750,000 in 2016. Although the number of apps sold in Google Play was lower than that of iOS Appstore for most part of the years, in 2014, the sales of Google Play overtook the former, which finished at just under 1,250,000 while the latter at roughly 1,400,000.	In 2010, iOS App Store dominated the small market with sales of around 175,000 apps. Sales then grew consistently to hit just over 750,000 in 2013. At the same time, while Google Play had almost no apps in the first year, it too saw a steady rise, finishing at just under 750,000 in 2013. However, by 2014, sales of apps at Google Play had surged to overtake those of the iOS App Store, with the former recording roughly 1,400,000 sales and the later just under 1,250,000.

- The second-most important thing in Writing Task 1 is grouping. You grouped the information appropriately, writing about iOS App Store and Google Play in your first specific details paragraph, Amazon Appstore in the second paragraph.
- "As for" is usually used in the second paragraph to talk about the remaining pieces of information.
- "people were mostly fond of buying" suggests an opinion, which you are not allowed to do. Your task is to describe the data in an objective way.
- "end up" is not a suitable phrasal verb for Writing Task 1. You use this word more in Speaking.
- Learn prepositions that come with verbs. For example, *stand **at**, begin **at**, finish **at** **etc.***
- "showing" and "portraying" were used in several sentences. Both of these words are unnecessary as you should describe the figures with other verbs.

Original	Rewrite
Conversely, having exhibited almost a tenfold rise, Amazon App store products happened to be the least purchased ones (at 250 thousands). As for Amazon Appstore, having undergone almost a tenfold rise, Amazon Appstore finished as the least popular store, selling 250,000 apps in the final year.	As for Amazon Appstore, it was not represented in 2010, only entering the market in 2011 at a very low figure. Sales then grew very slightly over the next two years, but like the other two shops, rose more in the final year, ending at just over 250,000, which is the same level as the iOS store's in 2011 and Google Play in 2012.

- You seem to have forgotten your task, which is "summarize the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and **make comparisons where relevant**". Because you wrote about Amazon Appstore in a separate paragraph, you should have compared it with the other two bakes, which would make your second specific details paragraph similar in size to the first one.
- There should be a balance in the amount of information included in both paragraphs, which is not the case with your report. This drawback leads to a marked decline in CC score.
- Another example of "exhibiting, showing, and portraying" can be seen, when a more precise verb could have been used, such as *experience, witness, or undergo.*
- "happen to be" is not a suitable verb phrase, which could be replaced with *finish as.*

BAND SCORE AND COMMENTS

Task Achievement	**7.0**	The 2 key features you found were quite good, but you could have found more. Data incorporated in specific details paragraph could have been more appropriately selected.
Coherence & Cohesion	**6.0**	Overall, it is not that bad. There are four paragraphs, all of which are separated from each other. However, there is not an equal amount of information in SD paragraphs.
Lexical Resource	**6.0**	A lot of synonyms of "show", which could have been replaced with more precise words. Examples of informal words can be seen, which shows you might not have an awareness of style and collocation.
Grammatical Range & Accuracy	**6.0**	This could have been **7.0** if you have written your complex sentences more accurately.
Overall band score	**6.0**	It is a nicely-written report, with well-selected key features in the overview. However, mistakes in specific details paragraph drag you down to a 6.0.