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### **Useful Terminologies for Describing Graphs**

Describing graphs requires several vocabularies to present the data given in a pie/ bar/ line graph or to describe a process. Being able to use correct vocabulary and to present the logical flow of the summary ensures a high score. This vocabulary section aims to help you gathering and learning all the vocabulary, phrases and words you need to know and use in your exam.

Each part has a specific format and therefore being equipped with the necessary vocabulary will help you to complete the task efficiently and will save a great deal of time.

### Vocabulary for the Introduction:

Starting	Presentation Type	Verb	Description
The given / The supplied / The	diagram / table / figure / illustration / graph /	shows / represents / depicts / illustrates /	the comparison of the differences
presented / The	figure	presents/ gives /	
showed / The provided	/ chart / flow chart / picture/ presentation/	provides / describes / compares/ shows /	the number of information
	pie chart / bar graph/ line graph / table	figures / gives data on / gives information	on data on
	data/ data /	on/ presents	the proportion
	information	information	of the amount



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### **Example:**

- 1. The provided diagram shows data on employment categories in energy producing sectors in Europe starting from 1925 to 1985.
- 2. The given pie charts represent the proportion of male and female employee in 6 broad categories, divided into manual and non-manual occupations.
- 3. The chart gives information on expenditures of 4 European countries on six consumer products namely Germany, Italy, Britain and France.

#### Vocabulary for describing trends:

In general, In common, As is presented, Generally speaking, As is observed.

#### Example:

- 1. In general, the employment opportunity has increased till 1970 and has dropped down afterward.
- 2. As is observed, the figures for imprisonment in the five mentioned countries show no overall pattern of increase or decrease rather shows the considerable fluctuation from country to country.
- 3. Generally speaking, USA had far more standard life than all the other 4 mentioned countries.

#### Vocabulary to show change:

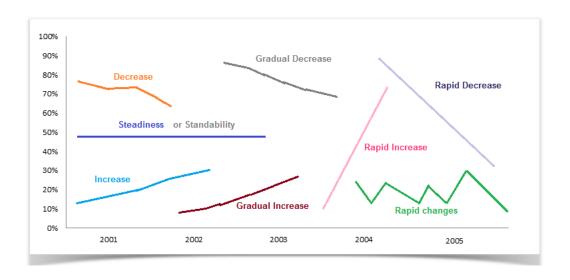
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#### **Examples:**

- 1. The overall sale of the Company has increased by 20% at the end of the year.
- 2. The expenditure of the office remained constant for the last 6 months but the profit rose by almost 25%.
- 3. There was a 15% drop in the student enrolment of the University.
- 4. The population of the country remained almost the same as it was 2 years ago.



#### Vocabulary to represent changes in graphs:

Type of Change	Adverb form	Adjective form
Rapid change	dramatically / rapidly / sharply / quickly / hurriedly / speedily / swiftly	dramatic / rapid / sharp / quick / hurried / speedy / swift
Moderate change	moderately / gradually / progressively / sequentially	moderate / gradual / progressive / sequential
Slight change	slightly / slowly / mildly / tediously	slight / slow / mild / tedious

#### **Example:**

- 1. The economic inflation of the country increased sharply by 20% in 2008.
- 2. There was a sharp drop in the industrial production in the year 2009.
- 3. The demand for new houses dramatically increased in 2002.



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### ➤ Vocabulary to represent frequent changes in graphs:

Type of Change	Verb form	Noun form
Rapid ups and downs	wave / fluctuate /	waves / fluctuations /
	oscillate / vacillate /	oscillations / vacillations
	palpitate	/ palpitations

- 1. The price of the raw materials fluctuated for the first three months.
- 2. The graph shows the oscillations of the price of fuel from 1998 to 2002.



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