

TaskTime: **1 hour 15 minutes**

An English language magazine invites young people to participate in a short story writing competition. The participants are expected to use the following quotation as an **epigraph**:

The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention.

Oscar Wilde

The story must **begin** with the following sentence:

As he got off the bus, Jamie looked around. There was no one there and he began to feel a little worried...

and **finish** in the following way:

He was happy at the idea of making a new start in his life, and a big smile was seen on his face. He knew the events of the day would change his life forever.

You decide to take part and submit your own **short story**. Your story must have a **title, a clear storyline, a setting, a description of the main character(s), and direct speech**.

Write **250–300** words (the words in the epigraph and the suggested sentences are not counted).