

Practice Test 9

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The diagram below shows how leather goods are produced. Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and making comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.

Sample Answer

The diagram shows the different stages in the process of converting an animal hide into leather goods.

The first stage is to hang out the hide on a line in the open air to dry. After this, it is transported by lorry to the factory for processing. On arrival, it is submerged in vats of soap and water and washed and then transferred to another vat where it is soaked in lime. Having been cleaned in this way, the hide is then sent to a large rolling machine where it is smoothed and flattened. In the next stage, it is submerged in a liquid called tannin, which is a mixture of vegetable matter and water. Next comes the polishing stage, where small rollers are moved over the surface to produce a shine. The leather is then transported to a different factory where it is manufactured into the leather products we see in the shops, for example, shoes, handbags, and sports equipment.

Vocabulary

- Convert
- Submerge
- Smoothed and flattened
- Polishing stage
- Leather products

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