**WRITING – ADDING INFORMATION TO A TEXT**

Study this text about aluminium

*Aluminium is used to make aircraft, engine components, and many items for the kitchen.*

We can add extra information to the text like this:

*Aluminium,* ***which is light, soft and ductile****, is used to make aircraft, engine components –* ***for example, cylinder heads****– and many items for the kitchen,* ***such as pots****.*

Note that the extra information is marked with commas or dashes:

***, which…***

***–for example, …–***

***, such as …–***

**TASK: ADD THIS EXTRA INFORMATION TO THE FOLLOWING TEXT ABOUT PLASTICS.**

1. Plastics can be moulded into plates, car components and medical aids.
2. Thermoplastics soften when heated again and again.
3. Thermosetting plastics set hard and do not alter if heated again.
4. ABS is used for safety helmets.
5. Nylon is self-lubricating.
6. Nylon is used for motorized drives in cameras.
7. Acrylic is a clear thermoplastic.
8. Acrylic is used for aircraft canopies and double glazing.
9. Polyester resin is used for boat and car bodies.
10. Polyester resin is hard and has good chemical and heat resistance.

Plastics are synthetic materials. They can be softened and moulded into useful articles. They have many applications in engineering. There are two types of plastics: thermoplastics and thermosetting plastics.

ABS is a thermoplastic which is tough and durable. Because it has high impact strength, it has applications where sudden loads may occur.

Nylon is a hard, tough thermoplastic. It is used where silent, low friction operation is required.

Acrylic can be formed in several ways. It is hard, durable, and has many uses.

Polyester resin is a thermosetting plastic used for castings. It has a number of useful properties.