MY FAVOURITE PHOTO (Writing 2)

Sample 1

Model A

One of my favourite photos is this one of my nieces. I took the photo last year, in spring.

We celebrate the coming of summer on the first day of May. We were in the countryside with my family, we met for lunch (better: My family and I met in the countryside for lunch). Suddenly, my nieces started to dance with beautiful angel costumes.

They were very pretty and happy, because / and the sun was shining over them just at that moment. The image was really wonderful, so I took this photo.

I love this photo because it transmits happiness.

I have the photo in my mobile phone and in a frame on a table in my living room.

(106 words)

PASSED (and with a very high mark: in general, good use of verbal tenses, prepositions and connectors, plus appropriate and rich vocabulary)

Model B

1. This is one of my favourite photos.

2. I took the photo in the birthday of my daughter, this year on my daughter's last birthday.

3. We were in at her party. The children were playing in the garden, when suddenly my daughter hugged her best friend. They were wearing angel costumes.
costumes. They were smiling all the time. The sun was shining. (Better: The sun was shining and they were smiling all the time).

4. I love this photo because it reminds me of the fantastic day that I spent with my family.

5. I have the photo in a frame on the round one-legged table in my bedroom, so when I go to bed every day I see it and I feel very happy.

(107 words)

PASSED (It is good, but we need more idiomatic structures and to be more careful with prepositions)

Sample 2

Model A

My favourite photo is one of my last holiday.

My friend Charles took this photo in the summer of 2012. When we were on holiday in Bali.

We were in an island of Thailand. (Better connected and less repetitive: When we were on holiday in Bali, an island of Thailand / a Thai island). At the moment Charles took the photo, we were snorkelling around the small island near Bali (repetitive), and we were watching a shark.

I love this photo because it reminds me of a great holiday.

I have the photo on the wall in my bedroom.

(77 words)

SHARP PASSED (it's a bit poor and quite repetitive)
Model B

One of our favourite photos is this one of our friends.

I took the photo in the summer of 2009 when we were on holiday with my friends in Punta Cana.

We were on a beach called “Paradise Coast”. This beach is famous because there are a lot of corals and tropical fishes.

In this photo we can see our friends snorkelling and they were very happy because they were seeing colors: colour (two problems: 1. “colour” is working as an adjective, so you don’t need the possessive “s” here / 2. If you say “favourite”, you should keep with the British spelling throughout the composition) fishes. While fishes, while we were sunbathing and drinking (better: having) a cocktail.

We love this photo because it reminds us of a lovely holiday. We hope to come back there the next summer.

We have this photo in the friend’s album an album where we keep all our friends’ photos.

PASSED (and with a good mark: accurate grammar and quite rich)

Sample 3

My favourite photo is this one of many hot-air balloons. I took the photo on last autumn when I was in Bocairent with my boy friend (“boy friend” means “I have a
friend who is a boy”. The expression for “partner” is written with only one word: “boyfriend”). Bocairent is a famous place where hot-air balloons from all over the world gather.

The picture is fantastic because there are a lot of colours in the sky.

I met many foreign people from New York, Paris, Australia... So I spoke quite English and France. I also ate typical food of the world from all over the world.

The weather was wonderful because there was a blue sky.

I love this photo because my boy friend participated in the event and he was the winner.

I have the photo in my laptop.

(113 words)

PASSED (quite good, but with some spelling problems)

Sample 4

One of my favourite photos is this one where (the photo can be compared with a place, but not with a time) I was with my friends in my last summer.

Daniel, Consuelo, Alicia and me went to Montcabrer (mountain). We spent a week there.
Daniel took the photo because he doesn’t like it appearing in photos.

We were sitting around a fire and suddenly he stood up and took the photo picture. We were singing a lovely song. We enjoyed a lot this moment because it was a friendly and warm situation. We didn’t meet since long time ago and hadn’t met in a long time (better at your level: It was our first holiday together after a long time).

I love this photo because they are my best friends.

I have this photo in my computer, my mobile and in a picture in my living room.

PASSED (It is good and it presents minor mistakes that could be avoided by trying to use more simple structures. Its cohesion could be improved with less stops and more connectors)

Sample 5

My favourite photo is this one of my French friends.

My husband took this photo in the winter of 2004 when we were skiing in the south of France.

We were enjoying the snow when my funny husband took the photo. It was a great surprise because we were going very fast and after that we all fell down. We laughed a lot. That was very fun.

I love this photo because it’s a very good souvenir and it reminds me of a good time.
We printed and framed the photo. It's on the wall of our living room over the sideboard. Also we share this photo in my photoblog. 

PASSED (with a good mark: in general, good use of verbal tenses, prepositions and connectors, plus appropriate and rich vocabulary, although the spelling could be better)