



UNIVERSITY OF RUHUNA – FACULTY OF ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES

AH3112- PROFICIENCY IN ENGLISH - LEVEL IV EXAMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF NURSING

SEQ PAPER

TIME: 2 HOURS

2nd APRIL 2025

MARKS:

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer all questions.
- No paper should be removed from the examination hall.
- Do not use any correction fluid.

Question 01

Underline the correct answer

1. What is the primary purpose of academic writing?

- A) To entertain the reader
- B) To express personal opinions informally
- C) To present information and arguments in a structured way
- D) To write as creatively as possible

2. Which of the following is a characteristic of academic writing?

- A) Use of slang and informal language
- B) Personal anecdotes and stories
- C) Clear, formal, and objective tone
- D) Lack of structure and coherence

3. What is a thesis statement?

- A) A general fact about the topic
- B) A sentence that states the main argument of an essay
- C) A summary of the entire essay
- D) A question posed at the beginning of the essay

4. Which of the following should be avoided in academic writing?

- A) Evidence-based arguments
- B) Personal opinions without support
- C) Formal and structured paragraphs
- D) Citations from credible sources

5. What is plagiarism?

- A) Using your own ideas in an essay
- B) Citing sources correctly in an academic paper
- C) Copying someone else's work without giving credit
- D) Writing an original academic paper

6. Which of the following is an example of a credible source for academic writing?

- A) A blog post with no references
- B) A peer-reviewed journal article
- C) A random social media post
- D) A personal opinion website

7. What is the purpose of a topic sentence in a paragraph?

- A) To introduce the main idea of the paragraph
- B) To summarize the entire essay
- C) To conclude the paragraph
- D) To ask a question

8. What is paraphrasing in academic writing?

- A) Copying a sentence exactly as it is
- B) Changing a few words in a sentence but keeping the original structure
- C) Expressing the original idea in your own words while maintaining its meaning
- D) Ignoring the source and writing without reference

9. Which of the following is an appropriate way to conclude an academic essay?

- A) Introducing new arguments
- B) Summarizing key points and restating the thesis
- C) Adding informal language to make it more engaging
- D) Ending abruptly without a summary

10. Why is citation important in academic writing?

- A) To make the essay longer
- B) To give credit to the original authors and avoid plagiarism
- C) To show off knowledge
- D) To confuse the reader with many references

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