

ENGLISH PAPER ONE FOR S.4

COMPOSITION WRITING

In this paper we have the “Don’ts” or the “DO NOTS”.

Some of the Don’ts are as follows:-

1. You do not skip lines anywhere whether in section A or B .In case you skip lines then you are given a penalty known as “Disjointed Script”. With this penalty you get a minus one mark. Real mark X-01 = Final mark.

2. You do not number points or Outline points in this paper (both section A and B).In case you do this, you still get a penalty of Real mark X- 01 = final mark.

3. You still do not use sub-heading in compositions, if you use sub-headings you still get a penalty of X-01 = final mark.

Although in section A which is functional writing, you are allowed to use the sub-headings.

4.In paper one ,you should answer the set questions directly .in case you meander or only glance at the question ,then you get a penalty known as Minor _Irrelevancy (MI),with this penalty you lose a mark from the actual mark X i.e. (X -01)=Final Mark.

Therefore understand a question and approach it directly.

5. You are not allowed to use short forms in this paper. Short forms include: - don’t won’t, couldn’t, isn’t and many others. In case you use them you lose marks in the final impression.

6. You are not permitted to use abbreviations for example e.g., etc., and all other abbreviations. In case you use them then they are queried and you lose marks.

7. Informed language is prohibited. Informal words, vocabulary and idioms as indicated in the dictionary is prohibited. The jurisdiction is decided from the marking centre.

8. Failure to space out words in a sentence is prohibited. Words in a sentence must be given their due space.

9. Leaving unnecessary space between words is also prohibited.

10. Dividing a word into two because it does not fit in a given space is not allowed, you transfer all of it to the next line instead.

11. Mis–use of vocabulary, Idioms and expression is prohibited. In case it appears then the whole sentence is queried.

12. In section A only, In case you have a wrong format, then you get a zero.

13. In section A and B, if you completely mis-fire in question interpretation, then you get a complete Zero.

14. In section A and B, if the quantity of work is very little /not enough you get a penalty known as Brevity, where you lose one mark (X-01)=Real mark.

15. Replicating of stories by picking stories from text books and avoiding original stories is penalized with a zero mark

16. Lack of punctuation mark is punishable.

17. Using only one paragraph for a whole composition is punishable.

18. Wrong spellings **MUST** be queried.

19. Using block paragraphs is punishable. You should use the only way of paragraphing known as, The British way of paragraphing.

20. Un-readable hand –writing are punishable. Write the letters the way they appear in the dictionary.

End of Don'ts