PREPARATORY CENTRE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY UB0013 ACADEMIC ENGLISH FOR VVRITING & SPEAKING

DO'S& DON'TS Task 1: Guided Writing MALAYSIAN UNIVERSITY ENGLISH TEST

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Analyse & Plan

- Analyse your stimulus.
- Plan the reply and include the stimulus.



Expand

- Expand the stimulus given.
- Insert reasons and justifications.
- No exaggeration and unsolicited
- information.





useful Expressions

- Use effective expressions and cohesive devices.
- Make sure the coherence and cohessiveness of the reply.

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Sign off & Word counts

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- Most important yet always forgotten.
- Write more than 100 words.



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Contractions

- Avoid using contractions.
- E.g: can't/shouldn't/ won't/ don't
- Use: cannot/ should not/ will not



Slangs

- Avoid using slang even for informal emails/letters.
- E.g: lit/ whaddup boi? / ghost <i>✓
- Use: Amazing/ How are
 - you?/Abandoned



Exaggeration

- Avoid hyperbole and exaggeration sentences.
- E.g: I'm so dead meat.

Use: I am in a big trouble.



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Abbreviation

- Avoid using abbreviations and urban slangs.
- E.g: TTYL/ LOL
- Use: Talk to you soon/ Lots of love!

High Frequency Words

- Avoid using HFW, start using lowfrequency words.
- E.g: very fun/ very hungry
- Use: Amazing/ famished

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