



COMSATS University Islamabad
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Subject: Expository Writing
Time Allowed: 1 Hour 30 Minutes

Course Code: HUM120
Max Marks: 30

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Instructions for Attempting the Exam:

1. Inscribe your full name, registration number and other relevant details on the question paper.
2. Return question paper with the answer sheet.
3. Attempt all questions on Answer sheet.

Section A – Short Questions

Question 1 [5 + 5 = 10marks, CLO1-C1]

Answer the following questions briefly.

- i. Mention two key differences between a formal and informal report.
- ii. What is 'mind mapping' and how does it help to brainstorm ideas in the pre-writing stage? Clarify with the help of an example.

Section B – Long Questions

Question 2 [10marks, CLO2-C4]

Please review the well-written brochure given below and analyze its text. Discuss how the seven C's of effective communication are applied in the sample, providing specific textual examples to support your analysis.

"E-Cigarettes & Vapes: The Hidden Dangers You Need to Know!"
Protect Your Health, Protect Your Future!

An Awareness Initiative by COMSATS University Islamabad

What Are E-Cigarettes & Vapes?

E-cigarettes and vapes are electronic devices that heat liquid containing nicotine, flavorings, and other chemicals to create an inhalable vapor. Although they are marketed as a safer alternative to traditional smoking, these devices can cause serious harm, especially to young people like you. As a student at CUI, it's crucial to understand the risks of these products.

Why Should You Care?

Your health matters now more than ever. As a university student, your body is still developing, and the choices you make today impact your future. Here are three key facts to keep in mind:

Fact #1: Nicotine Addiction

E-cigarettes often contain nicotine, which is highly addictive. Studies show that young users can develop a strong dependence after using these products. Nicotine addiction can impact your focus, productivity, and overall well-being, making it harder to succeed in your studies.

Fact #2: Toxic Chemicals in Vapes

The liquid used in e-cigarettes contains harmful chemicals, such as formaldehyde and acrolein, which can damage your lungs and cardiovascular system. Even though e-cigarettes don't produce tar like traditional cigarettes, they still release dangerous substances that can cause long-term harm to your health.

Fact #3: Impact on Mental Health & Respiratory System

Vaping can affect your brain by increasing anxiety, depression, and mood swings, which can negatively impact your academic performance and mental well-being. Additionally, the inhaled vapor can cause respiratory issues such as coughing, wheezing, and shortness of breath—definitely not something you want as a student with a busy schedule!

How to Protect Yourself and Stay Healthy?

- **Avoid the Pressure:** Don't fall for peer pressure. You don't need to vape to fit in.
- **Seek Support:** If you or someone you know is already vaping, help is available. Visit the university health center or seek counseling services to quit.
- **Spread Awareness:** Share this knowledge with your friends and classmates at CUI to help create a healthier, smoke-free environment for everyone.

Take Action Today!

Your health is your future. Don't let vaping and nicotine addiction take away from your dreams and success at CUI.

For support and resources, contact the CUI Health Center at 051-9253350 or visit cuihealth.edu.pk. Together, let's create a healthier campus!

Question 3 [10marks, CLO3-C3]

Compose an essay keeping in mind the argument given below:

Nowadays many people work part or full-time from home. Some people say that working from home has many benefits while others disagree.

Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

P.S: The essay should have a proper beginning, middle and end and at least four paragraphs of considerable length.

Good Luck!