



**2<sup>nd</sup> Year— Written Expression Exam**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Semester**

**Full Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Group:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Time Allotted: 1h 30 min**

**Exercise 01 (3.75): Are the following statements *True* or *False*; correct the faulty ones.**

<u>Statements</u>	<u>True</u>	<u>False</u>
1- Both emails and letters generally use informal style of language. Both emails and letters generally use formal style of language. (0.50)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>(0.25)</u>
2- Your CV should point up strengths as well as weaknesses. Your CV should point up only your strengths NOT weaknesses. (0.50)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>(0.25)</u>
3- The following composition is coherent but not cohesive: As a reminder, please promptly return the lecture notes you borrowed. I may become agitated if you are late, much like my Uncle Chester on Christmas Eve. Most Christmases I liked to stay up and open my stockings after midnight. Staying up late was exciting and would be repeated a week later at New Year's. So would Uncle Chester's disgraceful behavior. The following composition is cohesive BUT NOT coherent. (0.50)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>(0.25)</u>
4- One of the important phases of the writing steps is proofreading. .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>(0.75)</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5- A résumé is a summary of your personal background and your qualifications for a job. .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>(0.75)</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Exercise 02 (2): Answer the following questions:**

- What are the differences between an essay and a paragraph? (01)

The difference between an essay and a paragraph is the length and, therefore, the scope of the information. In general, the topic of a paragraph is very specific while the essay topic must cover a wider scope.

- Is the topic sentence the same as the thesis statement? (01)

The topic sentence comes at the beginning of the paragraph; the thesis statement is usually the last sentence in the introduction paragraph. Both topic sentence and thesis statement tell the reader what the topic is about; however, thesis statement indicates what the organization of the essay.

**Exercise 03:**

**A- Determine the correct order for the thesis statement, topic sentences, and conclusion. (2.5)**

**TOPIC SENTENCES NOT SUPPORTING SENTENCES**

- 1. Not only is Raintree convenient, but it also has great food. **Topic sentence 2 (0.50) N°03**
- 2. The atmosphere in Raintree is one the whole family can enjoy. **Topic sentence 3 (0.50) N° 04**
- 3. Raintree is a great place to take the entire family out to dinner because of its convenience, its menu, and its atmosphere. **Thesis Statement (0.50) N° 01**
- 4. We're lucky our whole family can agree on a restaurant we all like. **Concluding sentence (0.50) N° 05**
- 5. One of the best things about Raintree is its convenience. **Topic sentence 1 (0.50) N° 02**

**B- Choose a topic and write an outline: (5.75)**

**Answers will vary**

- 1- Discuss the best ways to prepare for a test.
- 2- Choose a sport you enjoy and explain how it teaches important values.

I- Introduction (paragraph 1):

- Hook: ..... **(01)**
- Thesis statement:..... **(01)**

II- Body:

- A- Paragraph 2: topic sentence..... **(0.75)**
  - 1- Supporting sentence 1:..... **(0.75)**
  - 2- Supporting sentence 2:..... **(0.75)**
  - 3- Supporting sentence 3: ..... **(0.75)**
  - 4- Supporting sentence 4:..... **(0.75)**

**Exercise 04 (6): How important should attendance be in determining a student's grade?**

**Argue for or against attendance requirements at your university in an introductory paragraph.**

**Answers will vary**